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Join actor @CaryElwes for a viewing of "The Princess Bride", complete with behind-the-scenes stories, at the @KimmelCC (Twitter)/@KimmelCulturalCampus (Facebook and Instagram) on 11/13. For more information, please visit kimmelculturalcampus.org.

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KIMMEL CULTURAL CAMPUS PRESENTS AWARD-WINNING ACTOR, PRODUCER & WRITER, CARY ELWES, FOR THE PRINCESS BRIDE: AN INCONCEIVABLE EVENING WITH CARY ELWES NOVEMBER 13, 2021

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (October 14, 2021) – The Kimmel Cultural Campus presents *The Princess Bride: An Inconceivable Evening with Cary Elwes* at the Kimmel Cultural Campus' **Merriam Theater** stage on Saturday, November 13, 2021, at 8:00 p.m.

In this highly anticipated event, fans of *The Princess Bride* will join Cary Elwes (Westley) in a behind-the-scenes look at life on and off the set of the iconic film. After a screening of the film, Elwes will engage in a moderated discussion on classic scenes, revealing never before shared secrets and tales of inconceivable antics. Journey back to the lands of Florin and Guilder in an adventure filled with fencing, fighting, torture, revenge, giants, monsters, chases, escapes, miracles, and of course, true love.

"We know that Philadelphia audiences love behind-the-scenes events with their favorite artists, so they won't want to miss this opportunity to hear directly from actor Cary Elwes as he provides an up-close-and-personal journey through *The Princess Bride*," said Matías Tarnopolsky, president and CEO of The Philadelphia Orchestra and soon-to-be president and CEO of The Philadelphia Orchestra and Kimmel Center, Inc. "Cary will answer questions about this beloved and timeless cult classic, providing a perfect preview for the February concert where The Philadelphia Orchestra will perform the score live with the film."

The Princess Bride is a fairy tale (allegedly a rediscovered classic by one S. Morgenstern), featuring the long-thwarted love between Princess Buttercup and her childhood sweetheart Westley, plus the Cliffs of Insanity, Rodents of Unusual Size, and one Spaniard's search for the man who killed his father. The film was released on September 25, 1987, but took fourteen years to make it to the big screen. It is now a cult classic and holds a 97% rating on Rotten Tomatoes.

Cary Elwes was cast as Westley, a stable boy turned swashbuckler, in Rob Reiner's fantasy-comedy *The Princess Bride*, based on the novel by screenwriter William Goldman (*Butch Cassidy & the Sundance Kid*, *All the President's Men*). He is now known for playing Robin Hood in *Robin Hood: Men In Tights*; the movies *Liar Liar, Twister*, and *Saw*; and most recently appearing as Larry Kline, Mayor of Hawkins, in the third season of *Stranger Things*.

Elwes made his first television appearance in 1996 as David Lookner on *Seinfeld*. Two years later he played astronaut Michael Collins in the Golden Globe award-winning HBO mini-series *From the Earth to the Moon*.

Elwes was nominated for a Golden Satellite Award for Best Performance by an Actor in a Mini-Series or Motion Picture Made for Television for his portrayal of Colonel James Burton in *The Pentagon Wars*. He received another Golden Satellite Award nomination for his work on the ensemble NBC Television movie, *Uprising*, opposite Jon Voight. Elwes also had a recurring role in the final season (from 2001 to 2002) of Chris Carter's hit series *The X-Files* as FBI Assistant Director Brad Follmer.

Now Elwes is hitting the road to share with fans the personal stories behind the making of this piece of cinematic history.

Other featured upcoming performances on the Kimmel Cultural Campus include *Who? Weekly* (November 18, 2021, Merriam Theater), *A Magical Cirque Christmas* (November 20, 2021, Merriam Theater), *A Charlie Brown Christmas* (December 4, 2021, Merriam Theater), and **Leslie Odom, Jr.** *The Christmas Tour* (December 18, 2021, Merriam Theater).

Tickets

Tickets can be purchased by calling 215-893-1999 or online at www.kimmelculturalcampus.org. In-person ticket sales can be conducted daily from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. at the Academy of Music Box Office, located at 240 S. Broad Street. See www.kimmelculturalcampus.org for more information.

THE PRINCESS BRIDE: AN INCONCEIVABLE EVENING WITH CARY ELWES

Kimmel Cultural Campus' Merriam Theater November 13, 2021, 8:00 p.m.

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We will always put the safety of our guests, artists, and staff first, and we have worked closely with partners, producers, artists, guests and other performing arts centers around the nation to develop the most comprehensive plan to safely reopen our doors. We are committing to a healthy and clean environment with increased disinfection, enhanced ventilation, and will enforce recommended health authority guidelines, including masks and proof of vaccination.

For more information on our Safe & Clean Commitment, please visit kimmelculturalcampus.org.

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Located in the heart of Center City, Philadelphia, our mission is to engage the region's diverse communities with art through performance and education. Our Cultural Campus serves more than 1-million guests per year and includes Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts (Verizon Hall, Perelman Theater, and SEI Innovation Studio), the Academy of Music, and the Merriam Theater - representing more than 160 years of rich history for the performing arts along Philadelphia's Avenue of the Arts. We are home to eight esteemed Resident Companies: The Philadelphia Orchestra, Opera Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Ballet, The Philly POPS, PHILADANCO, The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, The Philadelphia Chamber Music Society, and Curtis Institute of Music. With nearly 9,000 seats per night, we are the region's most impactful performing arts center, and the second largest in the country. Our Cultural Campus serves as a preeminent and inclusive place to enjoy exceptional experiences that reflect the spirit of our region by cultivating a creative and socially responsible environment where our community shares experiences that are delivered with pride, integrity, and respect. As a 501 c 3 nonprofit organization, we collaborate on, present, and produce a broad range of relevant and meaningful events, we serve as an active gathering space for social and community events, we educate the region's young people through access to quality arts experiences, and we provide support to artists in the creation of new work. TD Bank, America's Most Convenient Bank, is the proud Kimmel Cultural Campus Season Sponsor. Read Kimmel Cultural Campus' vision statement, world view, and mission statement here. Learn more about our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion and how it encompasses our mission, co-workers, and programs here.

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