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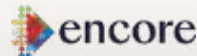
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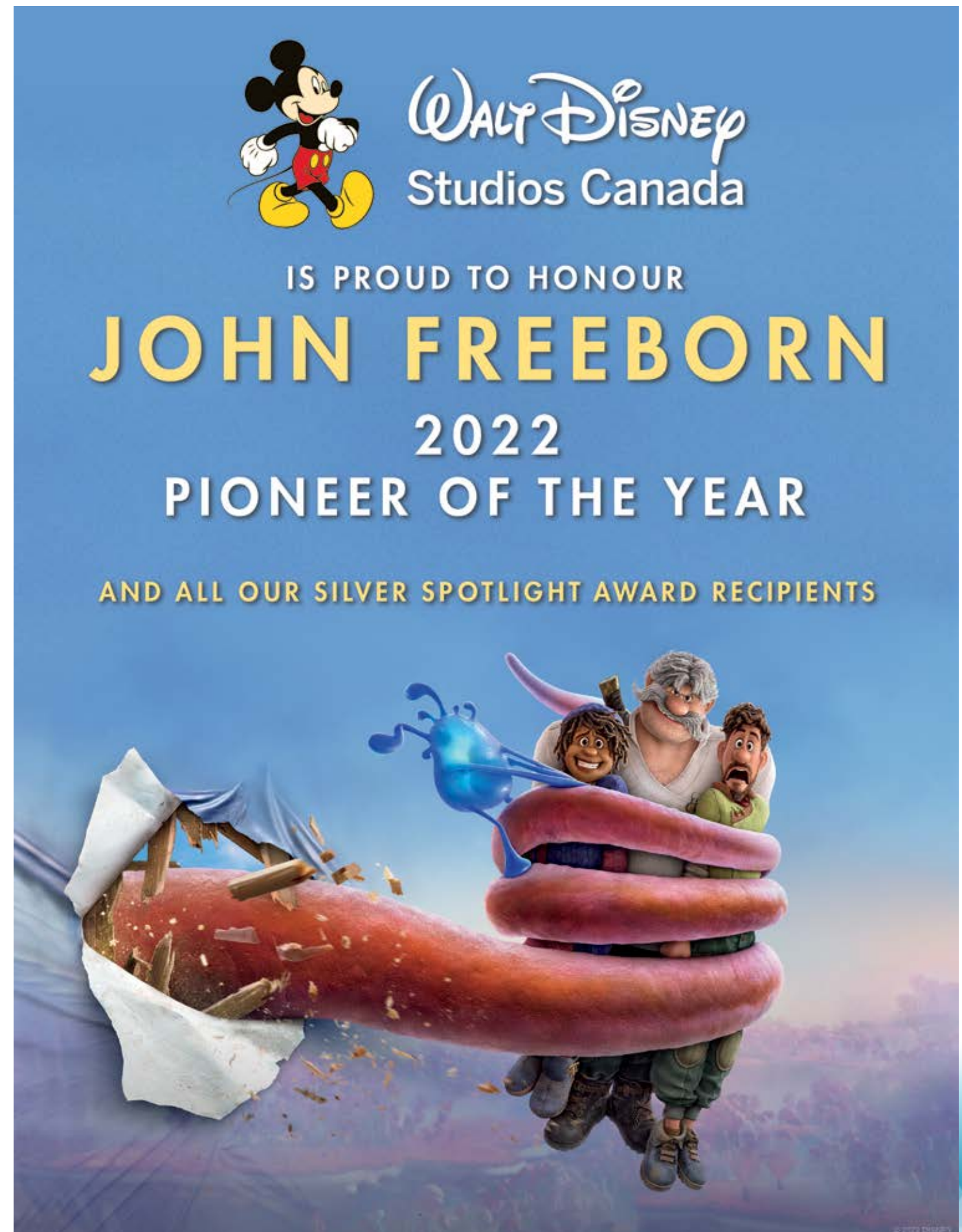
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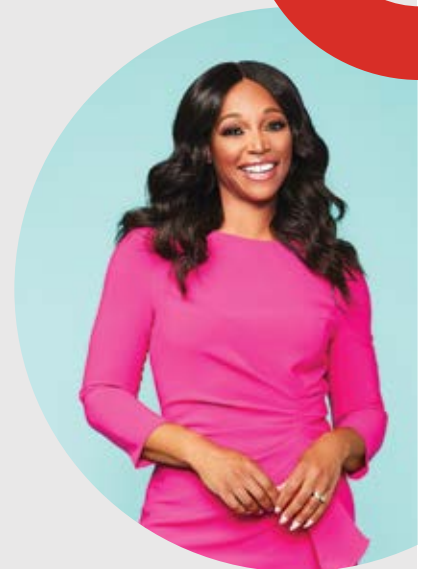
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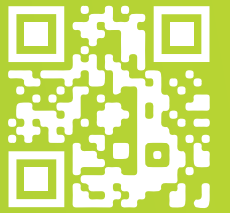
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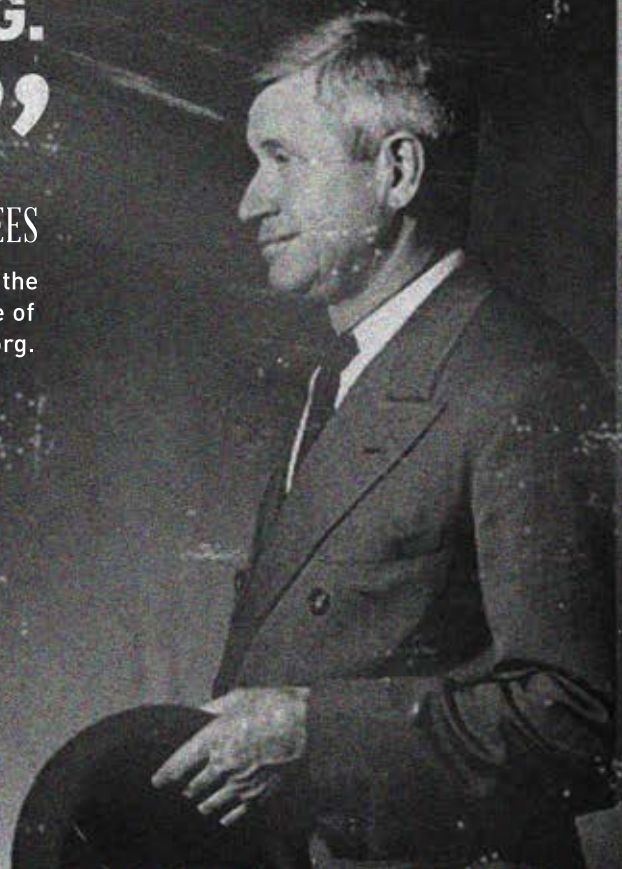
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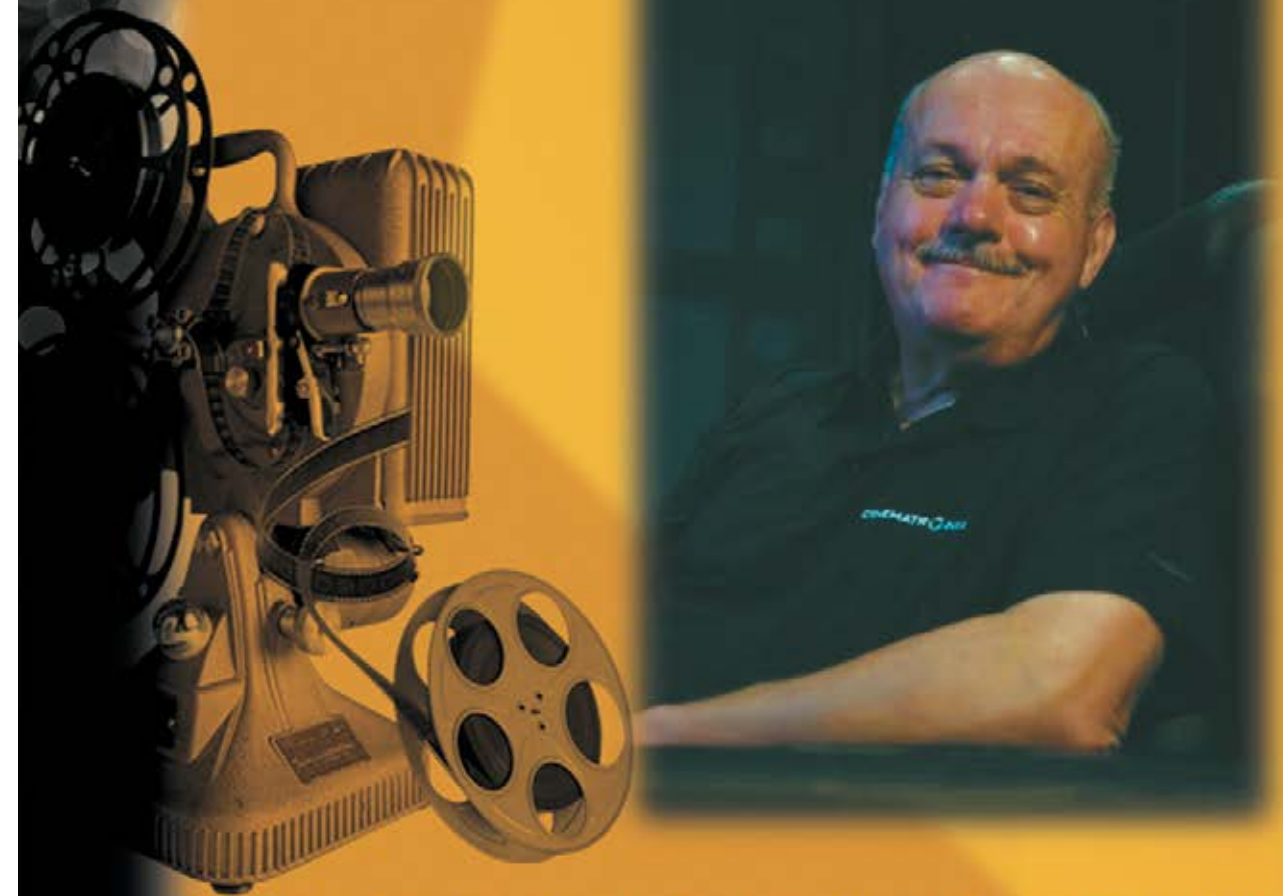
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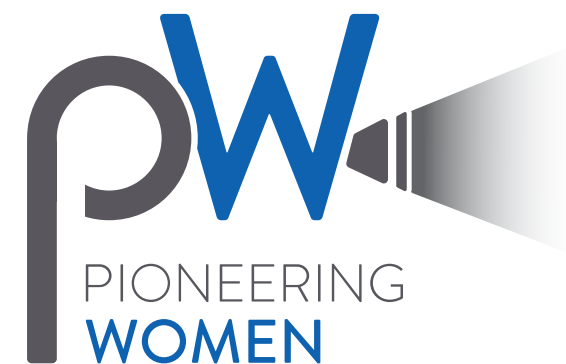


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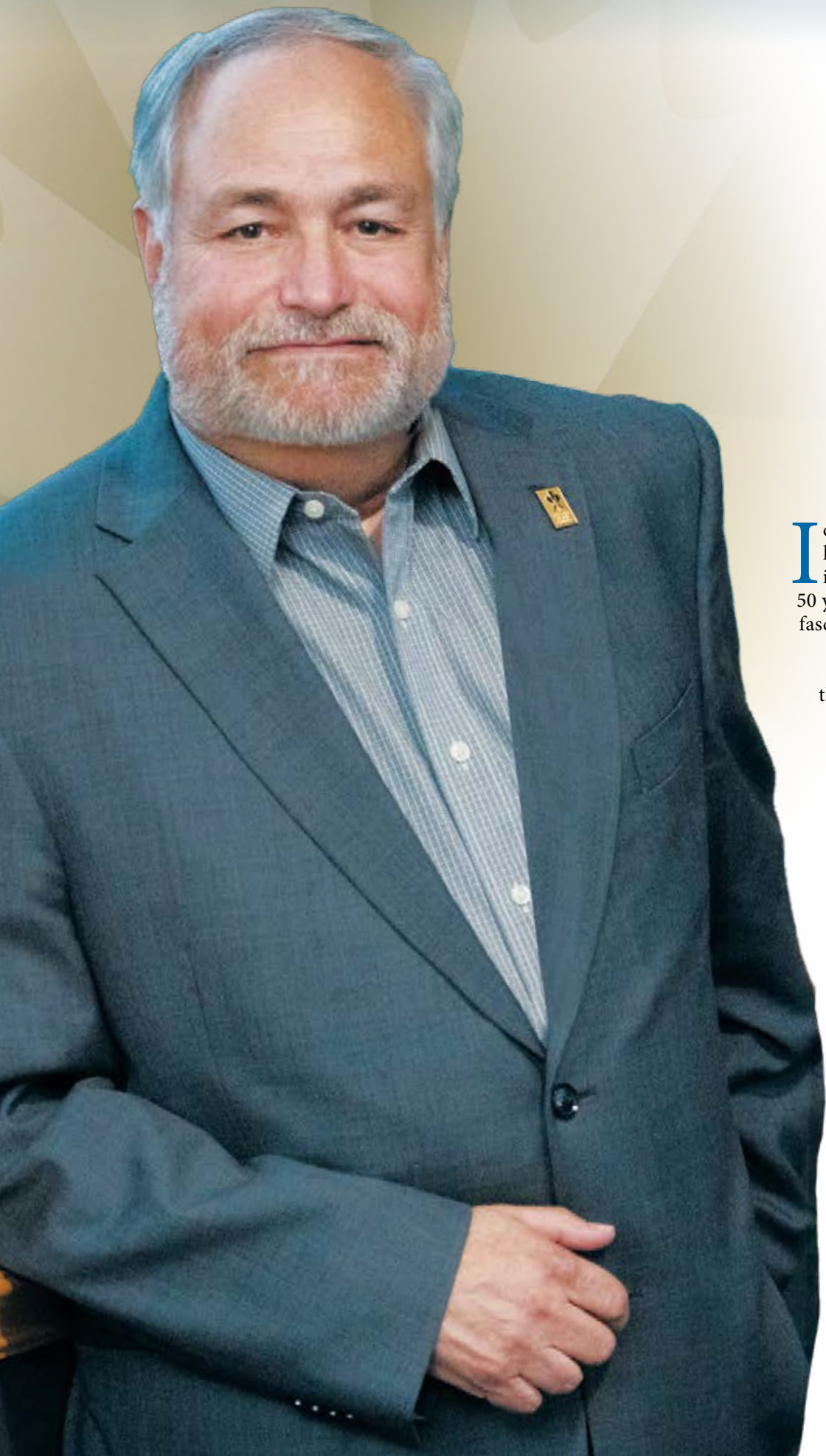
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I can't say that it was my plan to have a career in the movie theatre industry but here I am almost 50 years later and it's been a fascinating journey.

When I first started going to the theatre, many of the old single screen movie palaces were still in operation. These grand and elaborately decorated theatres were built during the dawn of our industry in the early 1900's. The grandeur of them added to the experience and with seating capacities into the thousands, we quite often found ourselves in lines wrapped around the block waiting to get in to see a popular movie.

I am not sure what my first movie was but I can remember seeing "Mary Poppins", "The Sound of Music" and other movie classics from the early 60's in theatres. Some of the first films I saw without parental supervision with my friends were "Planet of the Apes", "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid", "On Her Majesty's Secret Service" and "Marooned". I really started to like going to the movies and

went as often as I could. My mother was also a big movie fan and for many years it was an annual tradition for us to watch the Academy Awards show together.

Like many other kids, my first jobs were the usual paper routes and fast-food jobs. In my later teens, I had a friend who worked at a local movie theatre and she told me that they were hiring. It paid better than my job flipping burgers and you got to see movies for free. With that bonus, I quickly started my career in the movie theatre industry. The popular movie playing when I started was "Papillon". I soon discovered that there was an added job benefit, on weeknights we could get inter-theatre double passes and see movies at all the other theatres in town. I had no shortage of friends wanting to go to movies with me and it also cut down on dating expenses. We had three indoor and two Drive-In theatres with a total of 9 screens giving us lots of variety.

The theatre that I first started at was a three-plex, which when it was built, was very unique at the time. It was built by two Canadian industry "veterans", Curly Posen, an independent exhibitor and his business partner, Mike Zahorchak, who owned the

theatre chain, Canadian Theatres Group. After college, I was offered my first full-time theatre management job at one of the local Drive-In theatres. I managed all sorts of theatres over the years and worked at theatre corporate offices.

I worked in exhibition for about 24 years and then for about 10 years, I worked on the supplier side of the industry. I worked with companies that developed electronic box office and concession systems. This included the first self-ticketing kiosks to be installed in Canadian theatres. We also developed advanced computerized back-office theatre management systems. I did quite a bit of travelling during this time, visiting almost every city across Canada where there was a theatre. Through my time in the industry, I have seen all sorts of merges, acquisitions, new types of theatre designs and changes in theatre technologies.

My service with the Canadian Picture Pioneers started in 1989 when David Allen, a senior executive at Cineplex, introduced me to the CPP. A few years later, I was offered a position on the National Board of Directors, later serving as Vice-President and then for 13 years as Secretary-Treasurer. At the 2001 CPP

Awards Dinner, I was presented with an award recognizing my ongoing volunteer service. In 2006, I was hired to fill the newly created position of CPP Executive Director.

For over 33 years, it's been an honour to be of service to the CPP and work with so many dedicated members, especially those who have served as Board Directors and also 8 different CPP Presidents. We have worked together to strengthen and expand our organization to serve and assist more industry employees across Canada. We now disburse about \$200K annually through our assistance programs; most going to front line theatre staff who have found themselves in desperate financial situations.

We are not successful in our jobs or lives without the help and support of others. I want to thank the many in the industry that have helped me but especially the great support from my family, especially my wife Margaret and also our children Riley and Megan.

Thank you to the CPP for recognizing my years of service by presenting me with this "Pioneer of the Year" award and congratulations to my fellow colleagues who are also receiving recognition this year.

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I've been very fortunate to work in the motion picture business during my entire career, and at the same company for over 35 years. I grew up in Winnipeg in the movie business, as my dad worked for Astral Films in distribution. I worked my summers in Winnipeg at Victoria Shipping, delivering 35mm prints to theatres and prior to that, as an usher at both the Capitol and Garrick theatres. One summer Caddy Shack was playing, while I was an usher, and I must have watched that film over 100 times!

It was an exciting time for my family and I when we found out that my father was being transferred to Toronto in 1987. At the age of 22, I decided to join my family instead of staying in Winnipeg. There was an opportunity in the booking department at Columbia Pictures, which I jumped at to get my career going.

The first movie that I released with Columbia Pictures was La

Bamba, which was very exciting for me. Over my career, I have had the privilege to release hundreds of films, including many high-profile and critically acclaimed movies, such as some of my favourites like The Shawshank Redemption, A Few Good Men and The Big Fish, and big franchise hits like Men in Black, 4 James Bond films (another one of my all-time favourites), and 8 Spider-Man movies.

I recently celebrated my 35th anniversary with the company, which seems like a long time ago, but also feels like just yesterday. I am very grateful for all the opportunities that I have had and would like to thank my mentors, Ted Hulse, Mike Brager and Michael Skewes, who are no longer with us. They imparted their wisdom on me, and I can't be more thankful for this.

After attending 4 years at the University of Manitoba, I wasn't sure what career path I wanted to

follow. When I first started at Columbia Pictures and decided to give the film business a try, I honestly never thought I would be where I am today. Through 35 years of hard work and the support of others, I am proud to still be in this business. I have met many people over the years, and I have many to thank for giving me an opportunity to continue my career in this industry. One of the things that I love the most about our industry is the relationships we build, and how important they are to the success of our business.

I currently live in Thornhill with my wife, Ann, of 32 years and two wonderful children, Melissa and Jakob, who I am so proud of. Jakob just graduated from Wilfrid Laurier University with a degree in Political Science, and Melissa has a position at Toronto Metropolitan University, after obtaining her Masters Degree in Social Work.

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Congratulations!

Pioneer of the Year

John Freeborn

Silver Spotlight Award Recipients

Kevin Eagle

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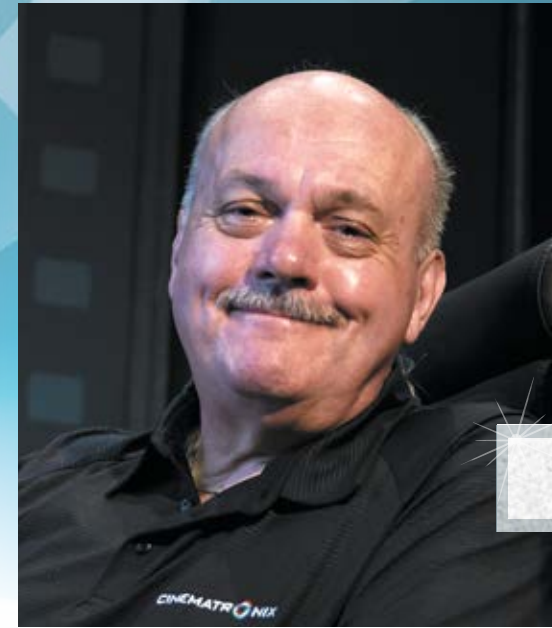
Michael Brooker

Sandy Power



"Kevin, we are proud to celebrate your lifetime of dedication to projection & sound excellence in cinema!"

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Kevin
EAGLE

2022 SILVER SPOTLIGHT RECIPIENT

I was born in Cambridgeshire, England and as a teenager emigrated with my parents to Canada in 1975. A lifelong passion for cinema began in the summer of 1977, shortly after Star Wars opened, with humble beginning as an usher at the Imperial Cinemas in Barrie, Ontario. This entry level job soon presented the opportunity to apprentice as a projectionist. Other responsibilities grew to include managing media advertising and coordinating film print traffic for Stinson Theatres. As a licensed projectionist I was dispatched weekly to assorted locations as a relief operator, gaining valuable experience along the way.

In 1980 I joined the team at Cumberland Cinemas in Thunder Bay as a manager/projectionist. This would lead to triple cinema projects in Sarnia and Moose Jaw then finally landing on Vancouver Island at the Drive-In in Duncan. This final posting marked the transition from daily cinema operations to a career focused on technical services.

Landing a position with Best Theatre Supply provided extensive

experience during the 80's as Cineplex rapidly expanded across Canada where I participated in many new cinema construction projects. It was also my great honour to operate film systems at the Canada pavilion during Expo 86. Late in 1990 I approached Cineplex with a proposal to take over technical services in BC as an independent contractor. My proposal was accepted and Cinematronix was born.

From modest beginnings in a small Vancouver apartment, the business first expanded to provide service across the prairies. Then Galaxy Cinemas came knocking in 2001 and Cinematronix grew again. When Galaxy took over Cineplex in 2003 we expanded with an office location in Toronto. As a growing company we had barely gotten to grips with servicing all of Cineplex when they took over Famous Players in 2005. We soon found ourselves playing a significant role in Canada with a hand in supporting over 2000 screens.

My business had taken on a life of its own, we had grown a large

customer base and a dedicated team of exceptional employees. At times it felt overwhelming and all consuming with very little time for a social life. A miracle happened at ShowCanada 2007 in Niagara Falls, I met the love of my life, Carol. We married in the fall of 2011.

The transition from 35mm film to digital projection was the single biggest challenge my company faced. There was enormous pressure to learn and adapt to a new hi-tech environment. I pursued all possible training and invested in the specialized test equipment we needed. Cinematronix rose to the challenge and during the peak managed to convert 1000 screens across Canada in just 12 months.

Starting out I never imagined that my career in cinema would lead me on such a wonderful journey, I'm thankful every day for waking up to a job I adored. In 2017 I felt that my tank was empty and made the decision to sell the company. If I could do it all again, I wouldn't change a thing!



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John Freeborn

Silver Spotlight Winners

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Kevin Eagle

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Sandy
POWER

2022 SILVER SPOTLIGHT RECIPIENT

Sandy Power has spent her entire career working in the entertainment industry, having begun at CBS Records before joining Warner Bros. Pictures in 1996. For Sandy, another industry was never an option. To this day she still has 'pinch me' moments, including walking not only the Warner Bros. lot, but other studios' lots as well. Sandy considers each day working in this business a gift.

Her career at CBS Records began in the Music Publishing division before moving to Artist Development, and Marketing and Artist Relations. She is proud to have worked with many Canadian artists at the height of the music industry. Her time at CBS instilled an incredible work ethic in Sandy and her mentors taught her valuable lessons that she carries with her to this day - including the ability to 'roll up your sleeves' and get things done but also to treat everyone around you with the utmost respect.

Sandy's career journey brought her to Warner Bros. Pictures Canada through the pinnacle and centerpiece of the Canadian entertainment

industry, the Toronto International Film Festival. Jeanne Danielson, then head of Consumer Products at WB, engaged Sandy to see if she might be willing to support as a talent handler at the festival and the rest was history. She joined Warner Bros. Pictures later that year as Advertising Manager, a job she learned the ropes of thanks to an incredible team, including Margaret Burnside, who spent countless hours explaining the art of newspaper buying.

At Warner Bros. Pictures Canada, Sandy has held several roles, most recently being promoted to Senior Vice President of Marketing and Distribution. Over the years, Sandy has been a part of many Academy Award-winning campaigns, including Million Dollar Baby, The Departed, Argo, Dune, King Richard, The Dark Knight, A Star Is Born and Joker. Sandy is also responsible for the philanthropic efforts of Warner Bros. Pictures Canada, an endeavour she is proud to participate in each year.

Thanks to Sandy's time at WB, she has been a proud member of the Canadian Picture Pioneers for

nearly 20 years, and a member of the Board of Directors since 2014. She is incredibly grateful to be a part of an organization that gives back to our industry in such meaningful ways and continues to bring together valued colleagues across the Canadian film world to celebrate collective accomplishments.

Sandy is thrilled to watch the Canadian film industry continue to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic and theatre closures across the country. She is proud that Warner Bros. Pictures Canada continues to bring top-tier talent to Canada to celebrate the theatrical business. While the industry knows that these events positively impact the box office, the ripples of these huge moments also increase interest in our business for a younger generation, igniting a passion for film in future Advertising Managers, Marketing Directors, and Distribution executives. Ultimately, that is Sandy's hope - that the work of the Canadian Pictures Pioneers continues to impact, inspire, and bring opportunities to newcomers and young people across Canada.

LES PIONNIERS
DU CINÉMA DU QUÉBEC
FÉLICITENT CHALEUREUSEMENT

DANIEL SÉGUIN
POUR SON PRIX
"SILVER SPOTLIGHT AWARD"

THE QUEBEC PICTURE PIONEERS
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JOHN FREEBORN
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DANIEL SÉGUIN - KEVIN EAGLE
"SILVER SPOTLIGHT AWARD"



PIONNIERS
DU CINÉMA
QUÉBEC



Daniel
SÉGUIN

2022 SILVER SPOTLIGHT RECIPIENT

Thank you for the nomination. The credit goes to all the people I have worked with throughout my career including the management team, our Cast & Players, my team, my colleagues at Cineplex and in the industry.

My career began as an usher at the cinema Ermitage in Montreal. My career plan when I started with Cineplex was to work to pay for my education and then go to work with my father in the finance and insurance industry. It worked for three years, but the movie business fascinated me and I got hooked. In fact, my parents would often leave me at a movie theatre on a Saturday afternoon with friends so that we could watch a double bill. Once I decided to stay with Cineplex, I wanted to learn more and take on more responsibility. After working in various capacities between 1986 and 1993, a career opportunity presented itself as Food Services Manager for Quebec. It was a position that required the introduction of non-traditional foods such as nachos, bottled water, coffee and other products that are now commonplace. It was a position that helped me tremendously, especially

with regards to operational execution and marketing.

In 1995, I was fortunate enough to move to the operations department in Quebec, which ultimately opened more doors for me professionally. I remember a conversation with Dan McGrath at the Latin Quarter Cinema where he offered me a job in Vancouver. Let's just say that this took me by surprise, as my English was not very good. I said yes nervously, but it was the best decision of my career. I spent three years in Vancouver – I didn't know anyone, but I learned to work and manage a team in another language. Then, in 2001, I moved to Toronto to take on the position of Operations Manager. Living in Toronto was rewarding. In 2003, I finally found myself back in Quebec to take on the role of General Manager in Quebec and Vice President of Operations. I faced many other challenges and responsibilities between 2003 and 2020, and now, as of 2020, I am Senior Vice President of National Operations for Cineplex.

I have had the opportunity to visit each of our theatres from Prince Rupert, BC, to Millbrook,

Newfoundland. I have been part of the opening teams for several locations, team integration with Famous Players and Empire, and have been involved in the opening of numerous theatres over the past 35 years. I sit on various boards including APCQ, MTAC and Ciné Québec in Quebec.

The world of cinema is magical and unique. Cineplex has given me the chance to grow up in this family, and I thank them for their trust over the years. Thank you to the executives at Cineplex, for your passion for the industry, for your advice, and continued support but most of all thank you for your leadership. My spouse Julie and daughter have contributed enormously to my development, and I am very grateful to have them as well. Thank you both for being in my life.

Kudos also to my industry colleagues, including John Freeborn, Sandy Power, Michael Brooker and Kevin Eagle. I feel privileged to be part of this select group.

FÉLICITATIONS
DANIEL

DE TOUTE L'ÉQUIPE DE CINÉ QUÉBEC!

7 AU 9 FÉVRIER 2023




FÉLICITATIONS
DANIEL

POUR CET HONNEUR BIEN MÉRITÉ.

TA CONTRIBUTION À NOTRE INDUSTRIE
EST REMARQUABLE ET TA PASSION
NOUS AIDE TOUS À ESSAYER
DE DEVENIR MEILLEUR.

DE LA PART DE TOUS LES MEMBRES
DE L'APCQ





EQUINOXE FILMS
FÉLICITE CHALEUREUSEMENT
DANIEL SÉGUIN

POUR LE
"SILVER SPOTLIGHT AWARD"
BIEN MÉRITÉ MON AMI !

AND CONGRATULATIONS
TO ALL AWARD RECIPIENTS:

JOHN FREEBORN
"PIONEER OF THE YEAR 2022"

MICHAEL BROKER
SANDY POWER
KEVIN EAGLE
"SILVER SPOTLIGHT AWARD"



Daniel
SÉGUIN

**RÉCIPIENDAIRE DU PRIX
SILVER SPOTLIGHT 2022**

Merci pour cette nomination. L'honneur revient à toutes les personnes que j'ai côtoyées tout au long de ma carrière dont les équipes de direction, nos équipiers et joueurs, mon équipe, mes collègues chez Cineplex et de l'industrie.

Ma carrière a commencé comme placier au cinéma Ermitage à Montréal. Mon plan de carrière à mes débuts avec Cineplex était de travailler pour payer mes études et par la suite aller travailler avec mon père dans le milieu des finances et des assurances. Cela a fonctionné pendant trois ans, mais j'ai eu la piqure pour l'industrie, car le monde du cinéma me fascinait. En fait, il arrivait souvent que mes parents me laissent un samedi après-midi dans un cinéma avec des amis pour voir un programme double. Une fois que j'ai décidé de rester chez Cineplex, j'ai voulu en apprendre davantage et assumer plus de responsabilités. Après avoir occupé différentes fonctions entre 1986 et 1993, une perspective de carrière s'est présentée comme responsable des services alimentaires pour le Québec. C'était un poste qui exigeait l'introduction des aliments autres que les aliments traditionnels comme les « nachos », la bouteille

d'eau, le café et autres produits qui sont maintenant communs dans notre industrie. C'est un poste qui m'a aidé surtout au niveau de l'exécution opérationnelle et la mise en marché. En 1995, j'ai eu la chance d'aller travailler dans le service des opérations au Québec, ce qui m'a ouvert la porte à d'autres perspectives professionnelles. Je me rappelle une conversation avec Dan McGrath au cinéma Quartier latin au cours de laquelle il m'a offert un poste à Vancouver. Disons que ceci m'a pris par surprise, et puis mon anglais n'était pas fameux. J'ai dit oui, j'étais nerveux, mais c'est la meilleure décision que j'ai prise au cours de ma carrière. J'ai passé 3 ans à Vancouver, je ne connaissais personne, mais j'ai appris à travailler et à gérer une équipe dans autre une langue. Par la suite, en 2001, j'ai déménagé à Toronto pour occuper le poste de directeur à l'exploitation. Vivre à Toronto a été enrichissant. En 2003, je me retrouve finalement au Québec pour occuper des fonctions comme directeur général au Québec et de vice-président à l'exploitation. J'ai fait face à plusieurs autres défis et responsabilités entre 2003 et 2020, et maintenant, depuis 2020, je suis vice-président principal pour les opérations nationales chez Cineplex.

J'ai eu l'occasion de visiter chacun de nos cinémas, de Prince Rupert, C.-B. à Millbrook, Terre-Neuve. J'ai fait partie des équipes d'ouverture de plusieurs établissements, d'intégration d'équipes avec Famous Players et Empire, et j'ai participé à l'ouverture de nombreux cinémas durant les 35 dernières années. Je siège à divers conseils d'administration, dont l'APCQ, MTAC et Ciné Québec au Québec.

Le monde du cinéma est magique et unique en son genre. Cineplex m'a donné la chance de grandir au sein de cette famille, et je les remercie pour leur confiance durant toutes ces longues années. Merci aux hauts dirigeants de Cineplex, pour votre passion pour l'industrie, pour vos conseils et votre soutien continu mais surtout merci pour votre leadership. Ma conjointe Julie et ma fille ont énormément contribué à mon cheminement et je leur en suis très reconnaissant. Merci à vous deux de faire partie de ma vie.

Bravo également à mes collègues de l'industrie, dont John Freeborn, Sandy Power, Michael Brooker et Kevin Eagle. Je me sens privilégié de faire part de ce groupe sélect.

THE SHOUT OUTS

WALE

John, Congratulations on your well-deserved 2022 Pioneer of the Year Award and retirement! Thank you for all you have done over the years for our industry. Wishing you all the best. Ellis

Kevin, Congratulations on this well-deserved honour. Your technical expertise has been a major benefit for our industry. Wishing you all the best. Ellis

Sandy, Congratulations on this well-deserved honour! You have done miracles for Warner's in Canada. Your marketing skills and execution are unmatched as we experienced the good promotion of Black Adam with Dwayne Johnson (The Rock). Best, Ellis

Sandy, Congratulations! Truly an honour to work with you. Thank you for your leadership, guidance & friendship. Michele

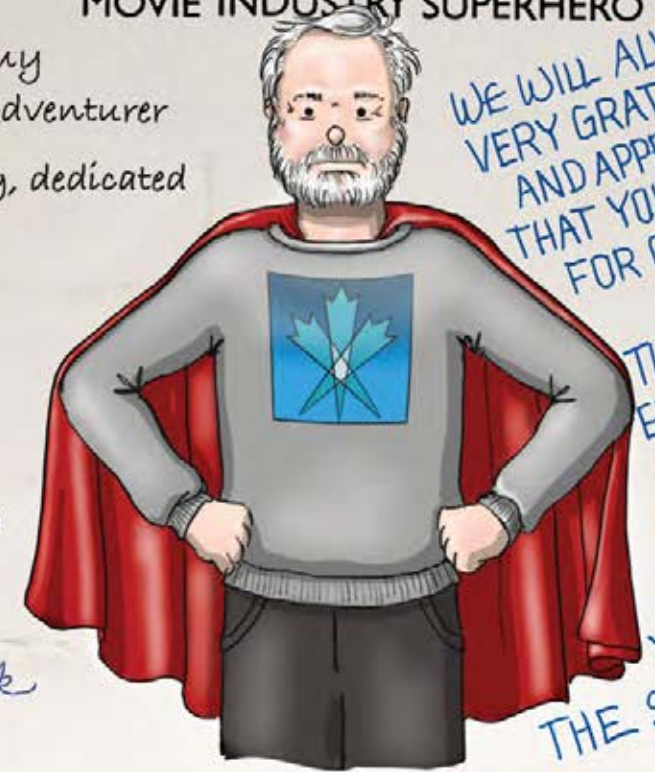
Congrats John Freeborn our Pioneer of the Year & to all my fellow honourees Michael, Kevin & Daniel.

Cheers! Sandy xo

SANDY,
CONGRATULATIONS!
NO ONE MORE DESERVING.
THANK YOU FOR ALWAYS HAVING
MY BACK. YOU'RE A BEM.
X4 QUEBANO!

Sandy!
Congratulations on this well-deserved honour. Thank you for your continued leadership and mentorship. I can't think of a more deserving recipient! Yay! From, Akasha

John Freeborn MOVIE INDUSTRY SUPERHERO



WE WILL ALWAYS BE SO VERY GRATEFUL TO YOU AND APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE FOR OUR INDUSTRY!

THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING, JOHN! YOU WILL BE VERY MISSED!!!

YOUR FRIENDS,
THE SMYTHE-BISHOPS

John
Heartfelt congratulations to my Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives Adventurer
You are kind, generous, caring, dedicated and inspiring. Kelley

John, Congratulations! on this well-deserved recognition. It has been a pleasure working with you. Michele Park

Michael, Congratulations on this well-deserved honour. You have done a great deal for the industry and created a major lift for the Sony brand in Canada. Wishing you all the best. Ellis

John/Dad, Movies are in your blood! You have always brought films into our house, even if it's Notting Hill for the 1000th time. Some of our best family memories will always be going to the movies. You have always used your passion of film to drive your career and shown us all that you can really love the work you do. We are so proud of all you've done and are so excited you are receiving this award.

Love, Margaret + Riley + Megan

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 SILVER SPOTLIGHT AWARD RECIPIENTS!

SANDY MICHAEL KEVIN DANIEL

WE CELEBRATE EXCELLENCE TONIGHT AND I CAN'T THINK OF A MORE DESERVING GROUP OF FILM PEOPLE!

Margaret

Hey John,
Congratulations on your POTY award!
Thank you for all the years of hard work and dedication towards the CPP.
You have changed many lives for the better!

Best, Danish



CANADIAN PICTURE PIONEERS

THE SHOUT OUTS

WALE

Congratulations, Kevin,
on a brilliant career
serving our industry.
Cheers!
Sara and Kim

John,
You are the most deserving
POY EVER!!
Thanks for your many years
of service & devotion.
Congrats, Cathy Watson

Félicitations Daniel!
C'est une belle reconnaissance
bien méritée.
Marie-Eve

Daniel, Congratulations on this
well-deserved honour. I am so proud
of you and all that you have
accomplished over the years. Thank
you for all you have done for Cineplex.
You and I have worked together coast-
to-coast as we built this business. All the
best, Ellis

Sandy!
You are an industry
Legend!
Thanks for all you have
done!
Dawn

A big shout out to Sandy on
your much deserved award!
-Your friends at TORO PR

CONGRATULATIONS JOHN!

Your passion, dedication and ongoing support of the CPP
and all that it represents is an inspiration to us all and I can't
think of anyone more deserving of the POTY award!
Margaret

Kevin,
Congrats to my long
time friend + Pioneer
member. Enjoy your
special night.
Cheers, Cathy Watson

Kevin, you have been an honor to this
industry and congratulations on your
well-deserved recognition. Cheers!
Tom Atkison

Michael - congratulations on receiving the Spotlight award!
I've had the joy of watching you good naturedly agree to get
pies in the face and splashed into dunk-tanks, just to raise
money for the Pioneers. 😊 You've been such a great sport!
Thank you for your decades of support & generosity towards
this industry. I wouldn't be in this position if you hadn't taken
me on years ago and helped me to grow & stretch.
Thank you for everything & congrats again! - Srimati

Sandy,
Congrats my
friend, well deserved.
Cheers, Cathy Watson

John!
CONGRATS! PIONEER OF THE
YEAR? MORE LIKE PIONEER
OF THE FOREVER. THANK
YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO.
- AURBAN!

John,
Thank you for your many
great years of dedicated
service to the Pioneers!
Best Wishes,
Anthony

Kevin:

Congrats to the man who keeps the
movies on screen.!

Donna, John & Kelley

To Daniel, Kevin, Michael and Sandy:

We are so thrilled to celebrate this well earned recognition with you
all!

Thank you for all your ongoing support.

Congratulations!

Nuria, Carrie & the ShowCanada Team

Congratulations on your achievement Daniel!
Wishing you all the best and I hope you enjoy
your special evening.

Tom Atkison



CANADIAN
PICTURE
PIONEERS

THE SHOUT OUTS

WAZ

John - our fearless travel captain, tradeshow wrangler and all around pillar of support...

We are grateful for all you do for us and the entire industry.

Congratulations on this well deserved honour!
Nuria & Carrie



Daniel

Warmest Congratulations!

Enjoy this evening of celebration.
My best wishes are always with you.

Hugs, Kelley



John cheers to the nicest man on the planet! Thank you for your dedication & hard work all these years - the CPP is so lucky to have you. Enjoy!
S.B.

You're the man, John!
And I could not be happier for you.

And congrats to Sandy, Michael, Kevin et. Daniel.
Your friend,
Jason F.

Congratulations John on the well deserved Pioneer of the Year Award!

Sara F

John!
Thank for making the CPP the outstanding organization it is today.
Happy Retirement
Dawn



Sandy,

"Between our dreams and actions, lies this world"
Congratulations on your award.
Well deserved and always a class act.
Couldn't be happier for you my friend!

Danish

Congratulations Aunt Sandy!

Haló & Nimbus
x x o o



We are thrilled for John, Michael, Sandy, Kevin + Daniel! Every one of these deserving individuals have been supportive of our efforts at Pioneering Women. Thank you + congratulations!
The Pioneering Women Committee
Kylie, Sarah, Teri + Katya

John:

Such a well deserved honour!
Congratulations dear friend!

Donna, Kelley & John

Sandy - Great Leader
+ Great Pioneer Supporter
Congrats!!
Anthony

Congratulations to tonight's award recipients, including our dear friend, **Sandy Power!**

We are thrilled to be celebrating such a fantastic partner.



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John Freeborn

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Michael Brooker

Kevin Eagle

Sandy Power

Daniel Séguin

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Ria Bhalla
Cineplex Entertainment



Julianna Bosa
Cineplex Entertainment



Bill Cai
Cineplex Entertainment



PJ Cheyne-Miller
Cineplex Entertainment



Lilian Cormier-Stumpf
Cineplex Entertainment



Anthony Fanara
Imagine Cinemas



Maxwell French
Cineplex Entertainment



Christopher Gagnon
Cineplex Entertainment



Marissa Hardy
Cineplex Entertainment



Katie Horbasenko
Landmark Cinemas



Tania Ibarra Solis
Cineplex Entertainment



Cassidy Jacobs
Cineplex Entertainment



Grayson Lang
Landmark Cinemas



Emily Lee
Cineplex Entertainment



Salman Mohamoud
Cineplex Entertainment



Ryan Rosniak
Imagine Cinemas



Zak Schopp
Player One - Cineplex



Shea Spofford
Landmark Cinemas



Rachel Sugin
Imagine Cinemas



Maria Tadoy
Cineplex Entertainment



Taylor Vukosa
Cineplex Entertainment



Jenna Wallace
Cineplex Entertainment



Joel Wallace
Cineplex Entertainment



Kelly Wang
Cinéma-thèque Québécoise



Kaitlyn Whitehead
Centre Theatre



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AWARDS PROGRAM

Thanks Pioneers!

Your contributions have made a huge difference!

Your Canadian Picture Pioneers Student Assistance Awards Program has awarded more than **\$954,000** *in the past 20 years*... changing the lives of **346 young people** associated with our industry.

Movies are magic and the film industry is full of ambitious, intelligent and creative young people. If you would like to support the Pioneers' future movers-and-shakers, please consider the Student Assistance Program.

**Let's Keep
Changing
Young Lives!**



In Memoriam

We lost the following members across Canada:

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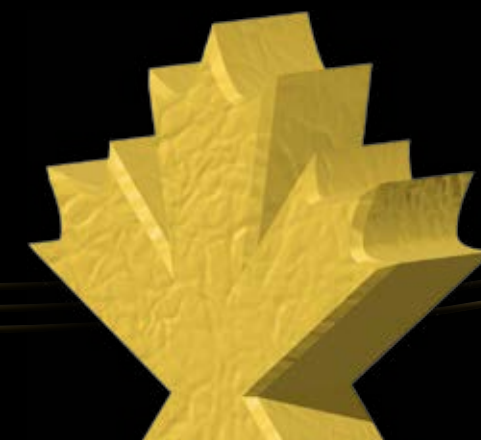
Barry Chapman
Jim Montle
Ian Shaw
Pamela Singh
Barry Silver
Norman Stern
Philip Carlton
Donna Stunden
Nancy Michener
Marcel Himmel
Ed Coman
Tracey Jordan
Stanley Ash
Roly Rickard

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Patrick Lo
Art Buchanan
Velma Gauthier

ALBERTA

Syd Sniderman
Ellen Smeltzer
Ron Tiboni



In Memoriam



PHILIP CARLTON 1935 – 2021

Phil's career in the movie industry started when he was 20 years old at the MGM Pictures office in Winnipeg, working in the revising and shipping department. He moved up the ranks and became Head Booker in the MGM Winnipeg office.

In 1962 Phil moved over to the Warner Bros Winnipeg office where he worked until 1971 when he was transferred to the Warner Bros Toronto office to become Branch Manager of Theatrical Sales. In 1980, when Irving Stern retired, Phil became President and Canadian Division Manager of Theatrical Sales and held that position until he retired from Warner Bros in 2001.

Phil was a very active member of the Canadian Picture Pioneers, working on many events to help with fundraising. Phil's most successful fundraiser was done by tapping his industry colleagues for \$100 each for a 50/50 draw. Many times, the winner would then donate most of their winnings to the CPP. He also served on the CPP Board as a Director, on the Executive, and as President. Phil was honoured twice by the CPP, the first recognition was at the 1991 Awards Dinner and then again in 1998 when Phil was celebrated as Pioneer of the Year.

Phil will always be remembered for his kindness and generosity, but especially for his encyclopedic knowledge of the motion picture industry.



BARRY CHAPMAN 1935 – 2019

Growing up in Toronto, Barry's love of movies started in his youth in the 1940's, watching movies at downtown theatres.

Barry left school early and worked in retail at Simpsons and The Bay in downtown Toronto for 25 years.

He began working in the movie industry in 1981 in a dual role. He worked for Curly Posen to help him run the Motion Picture Theatre Association of Ontario office. He also worked with Orval Fruitman who at the time was President of the Canadian Picture Pioneers (CPP) and needed somebody to help in the CPP office.

Barry worked as the CPP office administrator and helped with events for 25 years. Retiring in 2006, the CPP recognized his long service at the Awards Dinner that year. Barry was also given a lifetime honorary Directorship on the Board and he continued to help at CPP events until his passing.

Although Barry may have actually started work in the movie industry in the 70's, his love of movies had him involved with the Toronto Film Society (TFS) much earlier. Barry had an almost encyclopedic brain for classic movies, the stars, directors, and producers.

Barry helped program movies with the TFS during his retirement. He also wrote many films synopsis for the movies shown by the TFS. These movie write-ups are still available online on the TFS website.

EDWARD (ED) COMAN 1938 – 2022

Ed was an innovator and businessman, whose life's work validated his belief that passion for one's work was the key to success.

Having gained electronic engineering experience with the RCAF, Litton Systems, and Air Canada, Ed started Omniterm in 1978. Omniterm created the first computerized ticket system to support the first multi-theatre cinemas in the early 1980's, and to this day continues to provide turn-key Point-of-Sale solutions to the cinema industry.

Ed's 42-year commitment to the Canadian theatre industry is a success story, from his company's humble beginnings in the family basement, to a successful international business. Along with his life-partner Rae, and son Greg, Ed enjoyed working with many of the Canadian theatre exhibition companies, both big and small.

As an integral member of the Canadian motion picture industry, Ed will be remembered as a true innovator, and pioneer in the industry.



ROLY RICKARD 1935 – 2022

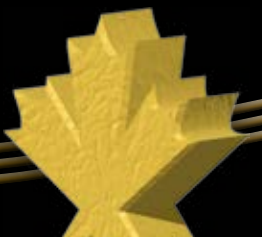
Roly was born in Calgary and started his career in 1954 with International Film Distributors before joining Warner Bros. in 1956 to work alongside Doug Isman in the Vancouver office. He eventually became Vancouver Branch Manager and then, in 1984, transferred to Toronto to work as the Canadian District Manager.

It was here that he met the love of his life, Gail Shiffman, who was working at Universal. They quickly became a couple, loved each other's company and were inseparable.

Roly declared when he started in the business that movies were his life. Based on his enthusiasm at all the industry events through the years, no one doubted that statement!

He was involved with the Canadian Picture Pioneers and their goals since 1957 and had also served on the Board of Directors for many years. Always an active participant, Roly cites his role as the Santa Claus at the annual Christmas/Chanukah children's party as a favorite.

Roly retired in 1996 and he and Gail enjoyed a very happy retirement. After Gail passed away, Roly moved back to Vancouver in 2019 to be closer to his son Dan.



In Memoriam



IAN SHAW 1960 – 2020

Ian worked for 41 years in the Canadian movie industry. He began his career working two jobs – as an usher at Oshawa's Hyland Theatre and at the concession stand at Pickering's Odeon Drive-In. Over the years, he worked his way up through the ranks becoming Vice President of Purchasing, Supply Management and Facilities at Cineplex.

His colleagues would say that "Ian is known for being the one who always gets everything done - no matter how large or complex the project and without any fanfare." Ian will be remembered for his generosity, integrity, and peaceful nature.

In 1980, Ian began his longtime support of the Canadian Picture Pioneers, well ahead of becoming a member in 1993. He joined the Board of Directors in 2009. Ian always responded to the call to action to support CPP events whether it be for picnics, golf tournaments, or holiday parties. Industry partners always responded kindly to Ian's endless requests for support to benefit the CPP.

Ian was honoured twice by the CPP, first in 2000 and then again in 2015, when he was recognized with its highest honour; Pioneer of the Year. He was generous with his time and talents and never said no to anyone in need.



SYDNEY SNIDERMAN 1934 – 2020

Syd Sniderman began his career in the film industry in 1953 as an office boy with United Artists in Toronto and within a few months he was promoted to Assistant Booker. In 1956 he moved over to Allied Artists as Head Booker. Four years later he joined Astral Films as Head Booker and in 1961 was moved to Calgary as Branch Manager.

In 1965 Syd chose to leave Astral but within a year was back when Ron Emilio, President of MGM Canada, asked him to take over as Calgary Branch Manager for MGM. A few years later, in 1969, he was invited by Hector Ross and Frank Kettner to join their rapidly growing companies, Theatre Agencies and Roke Distributors. Syd assisted with the many other businesses that Hector and Frank operated as well. He not only became Canadian Sales Manager of Roke Distributors and Manager of Theatre Agencies, he was also President of three associated companies; Western Motion Picture and T.V. Advertising, Transwest Delivery Services in Calgary, and Star Van Express in Edmonton.

Syd was a dedicated member of the Canadian Picture Pioneers throughout his career and served 12 years as President of the Alberta CPP Branch. He was honoured with a Special Award at the 1982 CPP Awards Dinner.



NORMAN STERN 1950 – 2021

Norman was a 3rd generation member of the Canadian movie business – grandfather Joseph Stern, owner of Avalon Theatre on Danforth (Toronto), and father Irving Stern, President of WB Canada for 25 years.

Norman always remembers how involved his father was in the industry and so when asked when he started, he answered "from the day I was born". He grew up listening to his father talk about movies and the business. His family attended screenings on a regular basis and he often travelled with his father on business trips.

After finishing university, Norman started work at WB distributing 16mm films. For his first job, he was assigned to distribute the newly released 16mm film "Woodstock" to be shown at colleges and universities, which was a great job at the age of 20. He moved on to distribute 35mm movies, working with Phil Carlton at WB. He credits Phil as being a great mentor to help him learn the details of the movie theatre distribution business.

In 1976, Peter Sorok, who owned the Mt. Pleasant theatre in Toronto, asked Norman if he wanted to join him and take over another theatre in Belleville. Peter and Norman went on to build a small 50 screen theatre chain called the Ontario Theatre Group. They built theatres in small towns where the major theatre chains did not have theatres. In 1999, Norman joined Ellis Jacob's new venture, Galaxy Entertainment, as one of the founding partners.

Norman served on the Board of the Canadian Picture Pioneers for many years and was always a strong supporter.

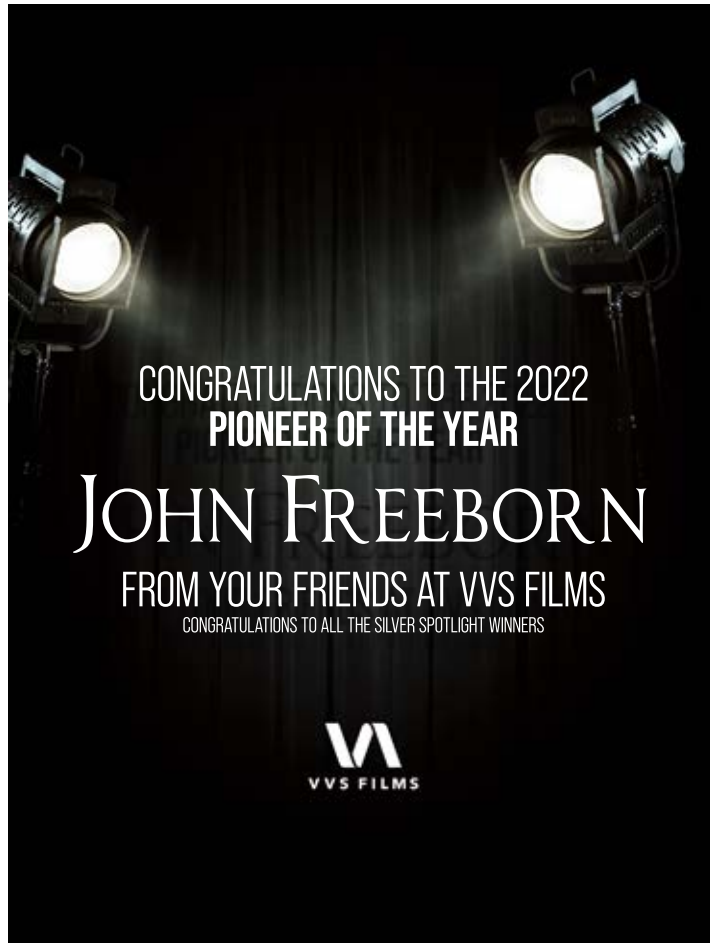
RON TIBONI 1936 – 2022

Ron started his industry career in 1949 as a ramp boy at the Intercity Drive-In Theatre in Thunder Bay. Famous Players bought the drive-in and he started to work in their local indoor theatres. Ron spent the next twelve years in Thunder Bay working for Famous Players at every one of their eleven locations.

In 1962, Ron left Thunder Bay and changed companies to work for Curly Posen and then Mike Zahorchak's Canadian Theatres Group in such places as Hamilton, Brantford, and Toronto. In 1964 the company transferred him to Calgary to manage the Corral Drive-In Theatre. A year after Canadian Theatres Group purchased Odeon Theatres in 1978, Ron was transferred to the Toronto head office to oversee drive-ins and concessions. After the 1984 purchase of Canadian Odeon by Cineplex, Ron was appointed as a District Supervisor in Ontario. He was transferred by Cineplex Odeon back to the west in 1986 to serve as District Supervisor of Saskatchewan and the city of Edmonton, where he remained until his retirement in 2000.

During Ron's 51-year career he worked in many different aspects of this industry and supported the CPP throughout his career. He served on the CPP Alberta Board as a Director and President. In 1992 the CPP honoured Ron with a Special Award at the Annual Awards Dinner.





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In 1939 a group of movie industry executives gathered to remember the passing of a friend. Jack Cohn, one of the founding partners of Columbia Pictures, was concerned that it only seemed to be funerals that brought industry friends together. Motivated by this thought, Cohn and a group of industry peers started the Picture Pioneers Inc., an organization to bring people in the industry together for fellowship and friends willing to help each other out in time of need. In the beginning membership was restricted to only those who had been in the industry for 25 years.

Many of the original Picture Pioneers members had help to start the major studios in Hollywood. In the first year over 200 other industry members joined, including some Canadians, among them pioneer theatre exhibitor Oscar Hanson and John Fitzgibbons, who later became President of Famous Players. These men brought together their friends Clair Hague and Ray Lewis to work on forming a Canadian equivalent and by the end of 1940 ratified a charter forming the Canadian Picture Pioneers. In the beginning years, it became obvious that the need for help would increase beyond what had been first contemplated, and that formal fundraising plans would have to be developed

to meet such demands. An important first step in those plans would be to apply to the Canadian Income Tax Department to register what would become the Canadian Picture Pioneers Trust Fund as a qualified charity with the right to issue receipts for income tax purposes.

It took until 1947, but this all came together with the trust document that we still operate under today stating that; "the Canadian Picture Pioneers Trust Fund shall be used and operated exclusively as a charitable fund and not for the benefit or private gain or profit of any persons, or of the Pioneers and shall be used solely for the relief of needy, poor or indigent persons generally throughout Canada and more particularly for the relief of any needy, poor or indigent persons who have been or are employed or were a part of the motion picture industry, or any affiliated industry."

From the beginning the Trustees struggled to build up a sustaining capital fund. Each year, little by little, with the generous support of Pioneer members and supporting companies the fund has grown, providing more assistance to those in need each year. However the Pioneers still need your assistance. Please remember to donate to the Picture Pioneers with regular annual contributions, in memory donations and planned giving through insurance and estate planning. Thank you.

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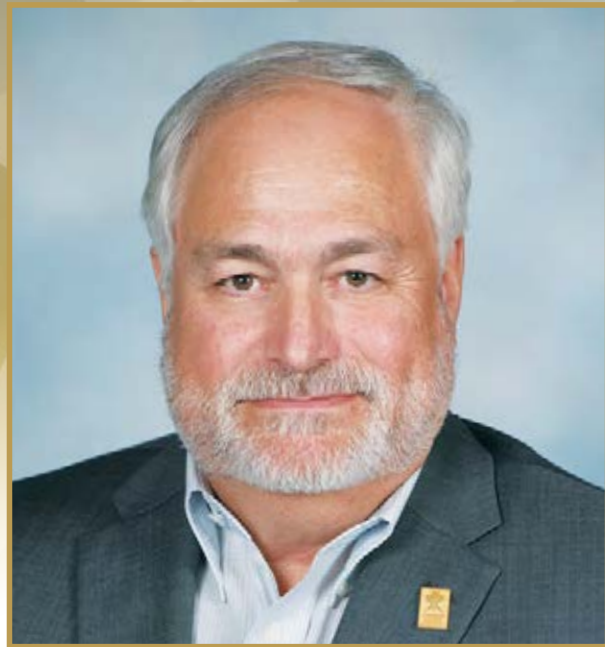
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