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Skirball Cultural Center Announces Public Programs for *Star Trek: Exploring New Worlds*

Exhibition runs through February 20, 2022



Credit: Robert Wedemeyer on behalf of the Skirball Cultural Center

LOS ANGELES, CA — The Skirball Cultural Center presents the schedule of public programs for *Star Trek: Exploring New Worlds*. These events will give long-time fans as well as those who are new to *Star Trek* the opportunity to further their knowledge about the beloved franchise and its connections to our world. The in-person and online programs include film and episode screenings as well as online educational classes and discussions.

Organized by the Museum of Pop Culture (MoPOP), Seattle, under license by ViacomCBS Consumer Products, the Los Angeles debut presentation of *Star Trek: Exploring New Worlds* showcases *Star Trek's* enduring impact on culture, art, and technology over the past half century. The exhibition also explores how *Star Trek* broke boundaries with its daring vision of cooperation and inclusion, mirroring the

Skirball's commitment to welcome people of all communities and generations to participate in cultural experiences that celebrate discovery and hope.

Star Trek: Exploring New Worlds opened at the Skirball on October 7, 2021, and runs through February 20, 2022. On view will be an array of rare artifacts, set pieces, and props from the television series, spinoffs, and films—many of which have never been on display in LA. Highlights include Captain Kirk's command chair; the navigation console from the original *Star Trek* series; costumes worn by Leonard Nimoy, Nichelle Nichols, and Patrick Stewart (Spock, Lt. Uhura, and Captain Picard, respectively); and filming models of the *U.S.S. Enterprise* and *U.S.S. Excelsior*.

For more information and to reserve tickets for *Star Trek: Exploring New Worlds*, please visit: <https://www.skirball.org/exhibitions/star-trek-exploring-new-worlds>.

PUBLIC PROGRAMS

Late Night! Star Trek

Friday, October 22, 6:00–11:00 pm

<https://www.skirball.org/programs/special-event/late-night-star-trek>

This interstellar evening features after-hours access to exhibitions, food trucks, a cash bar, and tunes from Dublab DJ Becky Ebenkamp with a large screen showing continuous episodes of *Star Trek* in an outdoor courtyard. Self Help Graphics will also have a print station for attendees to create their own prints inspired by *Star Trek*, and a live Klingon makeup demo will be done by students from the Cinema Makeup School. The exhibitions *Star Trek: Exploring New Worlds* and *Visions and Values: Jewish Life from Antiquity to America* will be open until 11:00 pm.

Outdoor Film Screening: Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan

Friday, October 29, 7:00 pm (doors at 5:30 pm)

<https://www.skirball.org/programs/film/star-trek-ii-wrath-khan>

Fans and cosplayers will have the opportunity to gather in the Skirball's hillside Taper Courtyard for a screening of this beloved sequel, which finds Khan at large with the powerful Genesis Device. Now Kirk, Spock, and the rest of the crew must stop him to restore peace and save the *Enterprise*. (1982, 113 min. Rated PG.) A conversation and Q&A with director Nicholas Meyer and *Star Trek* expert Scott Mantz begins at 6:15 pm. The exhibitions *Star Trek: Exploring New Worlds* and *Visions and Values: Jewish Life from Antiquity to America* will be open until 10:00 pm.

The Best of Trek

Saturday–Sunday, November 6–7, 10:00 am–4:00 pm (doors at 9:00 am)

<https://www.skirball.org/programs/film/best-trek>

Join us for a marathon of ten impactful *Star Trek* episodes in the Skirball's Magnin Auditorium. Handpicked by Trek expert Scott Mantz, this selection highlights some of the franchise's most groundbreaking and celebrated episodes. After each screening, take a deep dive into the making of the episode and its underlying themes with Mantz and a few special guests. Plus, gain complimentary admission to the exhibition *Star Trek: Exploring New Worlds*.

For the Love of Spock

Wednesday, December 8, at 7:30 pm (doors at 5:30 pm)

<https://www.skirball.org/programs/film/for-love-spock>

For the Love of Spock tells the story of *Star Trek*'s Mr. Spock and the actor who played him for nearly fifty years, Leonard Nimoy. Directed by Adam Nimoy, this documentary describes his personal experience growing up with Leonard and Spock. *For the Love of Spock* is full of never-before-seen footage and interviews of friends, family, and colleagues of Leonard Nimoy, including William Shatner and the original *Star Trek* cast, Zachary Quinto and the new crew of the Starship *Enterprise*, filmmaker JJ Abrams and astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson. Join filmmaker Adam Nimoy for an audience Q&A following the screening. The screening will take place in the Skirball's Magnin Auditorium. Attendees will have access to the Skirball's galleries prior to the program from 5:30 to 7:00 pm.

Look for more programs coming in early 2022!

EDITORS PLEASE NOTE:

Star Trek: Exploring New Worlds

October 7, 2021 – February 20, 2022

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Tickets for October and November visits are currently on sale. For more information, please visit:

<https://www.skirball.org/exhibitions/star-trek-exploring-new-worlds>

For the most updated information on ticketing guidelines and safety protocols, please visit:
<https://www.skirball.org/ticketing-and-safety>

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