

MEDIA ALERT:
**This Halloween, BFI Southbank celebrates 35th
anniversary of *Shock Treatment*, the cult follow-up to *The
Rocky Horror Picture Show***



- **Includes screenings of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* and *Shock Treatment* with 'shadow cast' performers live onstage**
 - ***Shock Treatment* 35th Anniversary cast and crew Q&A**
- **A day-long convention with special events, Q&As and screenings**

Monday 11 July 2016, London.

This Halloween BFI Southbank will host the **Science Fiction Double Feature Picture Show**, the ultimate celebration of all things *Rocky Horror*. The event on **Saturday 29 October** will include 'shadow cast' screenings of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* (Jim Sharman, 1975) starring Tim Curry, Susan Sarandon and original creator Richard O'Brien, and the often over-looked sequel *Shock Treatment* (Jim Sharman, 1981), starring O'Brien and Patricia Quinn alongside famous faces like Ruby Wax, Rik Mayall and Barry Humphries. The screenings mark the 35th anniversary of the release of *Shock Treatment*.

A unique experience for super-fans and the uninitiated alike, the 'shadow cast' will see an international cast of Rocky Horror performers from the UK, US and Europe take to the stage to perform numbers from both films live, while the films screen in the background. Following the screening of *Shock Treatment* cast and crew will reunite for a celebratory panel discussion to mark the anniversary. Audiences are then invited to join us in the Benugo Bar and Kitchen afterwards for the Time Warp Ball, complete with Transylvanian cocktails and spooky tunes.

Ticketholders to the **Science Fiction Double Feature Picture Show** are also invited to dive into the world of these cult classics with a plethora of convention activity in the hours leading up to the screenings. **The BFI Denton Convention** will offer opportunities to meet the cast of the films, get a Transylvanian makeover and discover the magic behind these musical masterpieces. Take your pick from a range of fascinating panel discussions, Q&A, autograph opportunities and screenings.

Cast and crew attending the events will be announced in due course. Tickets go on sale from 13 July 2016, see below for full details.

LISTINGS:

Science Fiction Double Feature Picture Show

29 OCT 2016, 18:00-22:30 – BFI Southbank

Tickets: *Members: £24.60 (£16.20 concessions) / Non-members: £26.40 (18.00 concessions)*

The BFI Denton Convention

29 OCT 2016, 13:00-18:00 – BFI Southbank

Tickets: *£15 Supplementary add-on for admission to the Convention – only purchasable by Science Fiction Double Feature Picture Show ticketholders*

Booking opens:

BFI Champion Members – 13 July, 11:30

BFI Members – 13 July, 12:30

Non-members – 14 July, 11:30

Ticket links:

<https://whatson.bfi.org.uk/Online/sciencefictiondoublefeaturepictureshow>

<https://whatson.bfi.org.uk/Online/dentonconvention>

– ENDS –

NOTES TO EDITORS:

Press Contacts:

Liz Parkinson – Press Officer, BFI Cultural Programme

liz.parkinson@bfi.org.uk / 020 7957 8918

Elizabeth Dunk – Press Office Assistant

Elizabeth.dunk@bfi.org.uk / 020 7957 8986

About the BFI

The BFI is the lead body for film in the UK with the ambition to create a flourishing film environment in which innovation, opportunity and creativity can thrive by:

- Connecting audiences to the widest choice of British and World cinema
- Preserving and restoring the most significant film collection in the world for today and future generations
- Championing emerging and world class film makers in the UK - investing in creative, distinctive and entertaining work
- Promoting British film and talent to the world
- Growing the next generation of film makers and audiences

The BFI is a Government arm's-length body and distributor of Lottery funds for film. The BFI serves a public role which covers the cultural, creative and economic aspects of film in the UK. It delivers this role:

- As the UK-wide organisation for film, a charity core funded by Government
- By providing Lottery and Government funds for film across the UK
- By working with partners to advance the position of film in the UK.

Founded in 1933, the BFI is a registered charity governed by Royal Charter.

The BFI Board of Governors is chaired by Josh Berger CBE.

***** PICTURE DESK *****

A selection of images for journalistic use in promoting BFI Southbank screenings can be found at www.image.net under BFI / BFI Southbank / Halloween