

## MYSTERIES OF CHINA

### **Celebrate the Opening of *Mysteries of China* with traditional Chinese performances & special**

**WHAT:** Media are invited to attend the opening weekend of *Mysteries of China*, at the TELUS World of Science – Edmonton (TWOSE). TWOSE will host a special performance by students from Dovercourt School, as well as a variety of activities themed to the film.

**WHEN:** **Friday, January 27 through Sunday, January 29, 2017**

**WHERE:** TELUS World of Science – Edmonton, 11211 142 Street, Edmonton, Alberta T5M 4A1

**SCHEDULE:** **Friday, January 27**

- **1:30 p.m.** Students from Dovercourt School's Martial Arts club, Lion Dance Team and Traditional Dance Team will perform.

**Saturday, January 28 & Sunday, January 29**

- **11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.** Join us as we embark on an Archaeological Dig in the IMAX lobby!
- **11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.** Compete in gameshow-style Zodiac Animal Trivia.
- **9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.** Learn all about the lunar cycle and how it is used to determine the Chinese New Year (this activity is suitable for kids ages 8 and under).
- **11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.** Craft your own Rooster Cluck Cups! (say that 5-times fast)

**VISUALS:** Students from Dovercourt School's English-Chinese bilingual program will help us kick-off the weekend's festivities with a **special performance on Friday, January 27 at 1:30 p.m., featuring marital arts, as well as traditional Chinese dance, including a colourful Lion Dance performance.**

Other valuable photo opportunities include:

- **Archaeological Dig** in the IMAX Lobby, hosted by Dr. Katie Bitner and volunteers from Gran MacEwan University. Guests will dig through large bins to uncover hidden artifacts.
- **Gameshow-style Zodiac Animal Trivia** in the main lobby. Complete with gameshow buzzers and score card, guests will put their knowledge of the Zodiac Animals to the ultimate test!

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### **Dig Deep Into the Past to Uncover the Secrets of Ancient China**

**Edmonton, AB – January 26, 2017** – *Mysteries of China*, a new giant-screen film opens in IMAX® at TELUS World of Science – Edmonton (TWOSE) on Friday, January 27, 2017.

*Mysteries of China* captures one of the great archaeological events of the modern age, telling the story of ancient China, the First Emperor, and the literal foundation of the China we know today. The film explores an ancient time when a fierce warrior brought together a warring nation and how an accidental discovery changed everything we know about China's past. From modern China to ancient China and back again, *Mysteries of China* is a visual adventure, using beautiful aerial photography and cutting-edge time-lapse techniques to reveal great majesty, tragedy, splendor and growth in a nation that continues to excel quickly into the future.

In 1974, farmers digging a well in the Xi'an stumbled upon one of the greatest archaeological discoveries of all time: a Terracotta army, buried at the foot of an emperor's colossal mausoleum. The immensity of this discovery cannot be overstated, both in terms of historical significance and in physical size. Archaeologists unearthed over 6,000 of these immaculately preserved Terracotta Warriors in a pit over twice the size of a soccer field, guarding a mausoleum over 25 stories tall. This discovery is a veritable time capsule—a window into the past—revealing critical clues about the nature of warfare, advanced weaponry, and the conquering strategy of China's ancient Generals and Emperor.

Through the lens of this great discovery, audiences travel 2,000 years into the past, to the rise of the First Emperor, Qin Shi Huang. The Emperor amassed an army of over a million warriors, unifying China and constructing the literal foundation for the colossal stone-and-brick Great Wall that we know today. By standardizing currency, units of measurement, and language, along with building a great network of canals, the First Emperor laid the groundwork for the next two millennia.

*Mysteries of China* opens in IMAX at TELUS World of Science – Edmonton on Friday, January 27. For tickets and showtimes visit [twose.ca/moc](http://twose.ca/moc).

Presented locally by Edmonton Economic Development Corporation, Edmonton International Airport, and Air China Cargo.

Narrated by Avery Brooks, *Mysteries of China* is produced by Giant Screen Films, Top Production China and Expanded Eye Entertainment, and distributed globally by Giant Screen Films and D3D Cinema

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