

SCROOGE & MARLEY

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'Scrooge & Marley' Chicago Red Carpet Premiere at Music Box Theatre November 29 *Bruce Vilanch and Other Stars to Walk Red Carpet*

CHICAGO, November 14 — Chicago Indie Film "[Scrooge & Marley](#)," a modern-day variation on Charles Dickens' classic holiday story "A Christmas Carol," will have its Chicago Red Carpet Premiere and one-week run at Chicago's historic [Music Box Theatre](#) (3733 N. Southport Ave.) November 29 thru December 6th. Recounted from a gay sensibility with heart, comedy and original music, the film will also screen in at least a dozen cities nationwide this holiday season, with a DVD and soundtrack slated for December release. Filmed in Chicago last May, "Scrooge & Marley" stars acclaimed actor David Pevsner, former Saturday Night Live star Tim Kazurinsky, Rusty Schwimmer, Bruce Vilanch, Megan Cavanagh, Ronnie Kroell, David Moretti, Richard Ganoung, and JoJo Baby. It is narrated by Tony award-winning actress Judith Light.

The Chicago Premiere run will kick off with a gala opening night celebration featuring most of the stars of the film including Pevsner, Schwimmer, Vilanch, Cavanagh, Kroell, Moretti and Ganoung. A pre-VIP event will be held at Frida's Restaurant at 5 pm, Red Carpet at the Music Box at 6:30 pm and the film screening at 7 pm, followed by a Q&A with cast and crew. The VIP after-party will be held at D'Agostino's on Addison. Philanthropist Michael Leppen is underwriting the opening night events. Tickets are now on sale for all events and screenings at: <http://www.musicboxtheatre.com/events/scroogeandmarley> .

Acclaimed out actor David Pevsner portrays Ben Scrooge while former Saturday Night Live star Tim Kazurinsky appears as the Ghost of Jacob Marley. Rounding out the cast is a host of other recognized theatrical actors: Drew Anderson, Christopher Allen, Nicholas Bailey, Allison Torem, Fawzia Mirza, Peter Mohawk, Becca Kaufman, Scott Duff, PJ Powers, Amy Matheny and many more.

Featuring a wide range of music from award-winning singers and bands, Jason Gould (openly gay son of Barbara Streisand) performs the film's theme and special end credit song "Amazing," written for the film by Marsha Malamet, Liz Vidal and Stephan Oberhoff. Gould [recently shared the stage with his mother](#) on her much-celebrated "Barbra: Back to Brooklyn" concert, singing "How Deep Is The Ocean?" in the newly built Barclays Center. "Amazing" will be featured on the film's soundtrack and can be purchased on iTunes later this month. Other performers in the film and soundtrack include Matt Alber, BETTY, Linda Good, Amber deLaurentis, Becca Kaufman, Jeannie Tanner and more.

Music Box Theatre Schedule in Chicago:

Thursday, Nov. 29, 6:30pm – red carpet, 7 p.m. screening followed by Q&A

Friday, Nov. 30, 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 1, Noon

Sunday, Dec. 2, Noon (ASL interpreted)

Monday, Dec. 3, 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 5, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 6, 2:30 p.m.

Some of the Music Box shows will feature additional cast appearances, Q&As and even musical performances. More details will be available soon. See <http://www.scroogeandmarleymovie.com> for additional screening information.

The film will also screen over Christmas at the [Gene Siskel Film Center](#) 164 N., State Street, Chicago: Friday, Dec. 21, 8:15 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 22 at 7:45 p.m. and Thursday, Dec. 27, 7:45 p.m.

About SCROOGE & MARLEY

“Scrooge & Marley” is a modern-day variation on Charles Dickens’ “A Christmas Carol.” Recounted from a gay sensibility, with heart, comedy and music, the magic of Dickens’ timeless tale of a man’s redemption at the holidays—thanks to the help of three ghostly spirits—comes alive from a fresh perspective that will appeal to audiences of every persuasion. The film is based on an original script by Ellen Stoneking, Knight and Timothy Imse. It was directed by Knight and Peter Neville. Producers of the film are Tracy Baim (“Hannah Free”) and David Strzepek (“Foodgasm”), joined by several co-producers (Knight, Neville, Stoneking, Kroell, and Moretti) and noteworthy crew. Running time: 90 minutes. A presentation of Sam I Am Films, LLC.

Full cast & production team bios: <http://www.scroogeandmarleymovie.com>

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