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**AFI SILVER THEATRE AND CULTURAL CENTER  
TO HOST SPECIAL PREVIEW SCREENING OF  
CHRISTOPHER GUEST FILM "A MIGHTY WIND"**

**Cast Members Christopher Guest, Eugene Levy and Harry Shearer  
to Attend Screening**

**Silver Spring, Maryland, April 7, 2003** —The American Film Institute (AFI) will roll out the red carpet at the AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center in Silver Spring, Maryland, on Wednesday, April 9, for a special preview screening of the Castle Rock Entertainment comedy *A MIGHTY WIND*, scheduled for release by Warner Bros. Pictures on April 16 in selected cities, including Washington, DC. Directed by Christopher Guest, the noted ensemble cast includes many of the same talents who appeared in *BEST IN SHOW*, *WAITING FOR GUFFMAN* and *THIS IS SPINAL TAP*. Scheduled to appear onstage are *A MIGHTY WIND*'s director/co-writer/actor Christopher Guest, co-writer/actor Eugene Levy and actor Michael McKean.

This invitational screening is part of a week-long celebration to open the AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center, the newly rehabilitated and expanded state-of-the-art theatre complex in Silver Spring, Maryland.

**WHAT:** Special preview screening of *A MIGHTY WIND* to include a stage appearance by the film's director and stars.

**WHO:** Director/co-writer/actor Christopher Guest  
Co-writer/actor Eugene Levy

Actor Michael McKean

**WHEN:** Wednesday, April 9, 7:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center  
8633 Colesville Road  
Silver Spring, Maryland

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### **More About the AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center**

The AFI Silver will be a major, internationally recognized exhibition center offering film and video generally unavailable elsewhere—independent features, shorts, foreign films, documentaries and classic cinema. Anchored by the rehabilitation of noted architect John Eberson's historic 1938 Silver Theatre, the AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center is a 49,000 square foot complex with three theatres—one historic, two new state-of-the-art stadium-style theatres—a café, a film-based retail outlet, office and meeting spaces, and reception and exhibition areas. It is the anchor of an unprecedented public/private redevelopment effort in downtown Silver Spring, Maryland.

The AFI Silver is located in downtown Silver Spring, Maryland, at 8633 Colesville Road (between Georgia Avenue and Fenton Street). Conveniently located, the AFI Silver is two blocks from the Silver Spring Metro stop and easily accessible from the Capital Beltway (I-495), less than two miles from either the Georgia Avenue or Colesville Road exit. Phone: 301.495.6720. Web: [www.AFI.com/Silver](http://www.AFI.com/Silver).

### **More About AFI**

AFI is the preeminent organization dedicated to advancing and preserving the art of film, television and other forms of the moving image. AFI trains the next generation of filmmakers, coordinates nationwide film preservation efforts and explores new technologies in moviemaking. AFI also presents the best of film through the AFI Los Angeles International Film Festival (AFI FEST); the AFI National Film Theater at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, DC; and the AFI Life Achievement Award, the highest honor given for a career in film. AFI's annual almanac for the 21st century, **AFI AWARDS**, honors the most outstanding motion pictures and television programs of the year. In addition, **AFI's 100 Years . . . 100 Movies, 100 Stars, 100 Laughs, 100 Thrills, 100 Passions and 100 Heroes & Villains** (airing June 2003) have ignited extraordinary public interest in classic American movies. More information about AFI can be found by visiting its Web site, located at [www.AFI.com](http://www.AFI.com).