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THE PICTURE HOUSE'S PICNIC IN THE PARK TO FEATURE LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT

IN PELHAM ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

Advance Screening of Heart-Warming Movie Stars Haley Lu Richardson of *White Lotus* Acclaim

This Popular Community Tradition Brings Film, Food Trucks, and Dancing Under the Stars

** TICKETS GOING FAST FOR POPULAR FALL FUNDRAISER **

With Marquee Sponsor Mark Link/Link State Farm Insurance Agency

August 24, 2023 – Pelham and Bronxville, NY – The Picture House Regional Film Center (www.thepicturehouse.org) announced today that the annual fall fundraising event, Picnic in the Park, on September 9, 2023, will feature Netflix's Love at First Sight. The special advance screening of the heart-warming movie stars Haley Lu Richardson of White Lotus acclaim. This beloved community tradition brings film, food trucks and dancing under the stars together for a night to remember. The end-of-summer soiree will kick off at 6:00pm in the beautifully renovated 1921 Pelham theater. After the screening, guests will head to Wolfs Lane Park directly across the street from the theater, where they will enjoy drinks, dinner from a selection of food trucks, including Leila's, Walter's Hot Dogs, Wing King, and Bona Ice Cream, and music provided by DJ Stephen Byfield.

"For more than ten years, Picnic in the Park has been a popular kick-off to the fall film season and has attracted overwhelming support and enthusiasm from Pelham and the surrounding communities," said Clayton Bushong, Executive Director of The Picture House. "We are particularly excited to preview Netflix's Love at First which promises to be touching and entertaining. It is a great fit for the spirit of the event. We're particularly

grateful to our Marquee Sponsor, Mark Link and The Link State Farm Insurance Agency, as well as vital support from other community partners. We look forward to another memorable night!"

Marquee Sponsor Mark Link added that "The Link State Farm Insurance Agency is proud to sponsor Picnic in the Park and support The Picture House. We believe in The Picture House mission of shared community experience for diverse audiences through film, education programming and unique cultural offerings and are honored to be a part of the evening." Other sponsors include our Red Carpet Sponsors: Compass of Pelham, The Mellstrom/Bischof/Richie Team at Julia B. Fee Sotheby's International Realty and The Flower Bar of Larchmont. Additional support comes from The Gallo Family, The Pencil Project, Manor Auto and Trustco Bank.

This year's film Netflix's Love at First Sight is a heart-warming drama starring Haily Lu Richardson (who played Portia in White Lotus Season 2) and Ben Hardy (known for X-Men Apocalypse and Netflix's 6 Underground). The film is based on the novel The Statistical Probability of Love at First Sight by Jennifer E. Smith. A chance meeting at an airport fates the two young adults for a star-crossed romantic tale. Netflix's preview foreshadows: "Two strangers connect on a flight to London, only to be separated by a twist of fate. A reunion seems improbably but love has a way of defying odds."

Picnic in the Park 2023 is co-chaired by Courtney Burke Maron and Jason Feldman. If you are interested in learning more about sponsorship, contact Andrea Pace at andreap@thepicturehouse.org.

Tickets for Picnic in the Park have been selling fast and space is limited. Tickets are \$145 for members and \$155 for non-members. Various sponsorship levels are available, and there is still time for businesses to support Picnic in the Park 2023.

For more information about The Picture House, please visit <u>www.thepicturehouse.org</u>, call (914) 738-7337, or email <u>info@thepicturehouse.org</u>.

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About The Picture House Regional Film Center

Housed in two historic theaters from the 1920s, TPH is a thriving regional film center providing dynamic film and education programs to a diverse and multi-generational audience in Westchester County and beyond. Across 5 screens in Pelham and Bronxville, NY, audiences see the best in new, independent, and classic cinema. TPH education programs provide students of all ages with the opportunity to learn about the art, science, and business of film. A mission-driven, nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, The Picture House has two locations: The Picture House Pelham is located at 175 Wolfs Lane, Pelham, New York, 10803. The Picture House Bronxville is at 84 Kraft Avenue, Bronxville, NY, 10708. Contact us at www.thepicturehouse.org, info@thepicturehouse.org, or (914) 738-3161.

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