



**ABC FAMILY WILL HOST AN EXCLUSIVE NIGHT OF  
WALT DISNEY PICTURES PRESENTS "PIXAR SHORT FILMS"  
AS PART OF NETWORK'S ANNUAL 25 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS PROGRAMMING EVENT  
EVENT TO FEATURE 20 PIXAR SHORT FILMS AS A TWO-HOUR PRESENTATION  
AIRING TOGETHER FOR THE FIRST TIME ON TELEVISION**

Programming Event to Include "Presto," "Boundin'," "BURN•E," "Geri's Game," "Lifted,"  
"Jack-Jack Attack," "For the Birds" and "Luxo Jr."

Burbank, CA (Monday, October 26, 2009) – For the first time on television, ABC Family will air a two-hour presentation of Walt Disney Pictures Presents **"Pixar Short Films,"** featuring twenty animated Pixar shorts, as part of the network's annual **25 Days of Christmas** programming event (December 1-25). The critically-acclaimed short films include the Academy Award®-winning (Best Animated Short Film) "Geri's Game," "For the Birds," and "Tin Toy" and the Academy Award®-nominated (Best Animated Short Film) "Luxo Jr.," "Mike's New Car," "One Man Band," "Lifted" and "Presto," among them. **"Pixar Short Films"** premieres on ABC Family on Wednesday, December 2 from 7:00-9:00PM ET/PT (and again from 9:00PM-11:00PM ET/PT). Two encore presentations will air on the network on Friday, December 18 at 10:00PM ET/PT and Saturday, December 19 at 6:00PM ET/PT.

The short films included in the two-hour presentation include:

**"ADVENTURES OF ANDRE AND WALLY B."**

There's nothing like a restful nap in a pleasant wooded valley. But when Andre awakens and is greeted by a pesky yellow-and-black striped insect with a nasty stinger, he ends up taking a quick (and painful) hike. Andre thinks he's a clever guy, able to outsmart and outrun a bee. But like all stinging insects, Wally B. knows better, and can chase down any target in a matter of seconds.

**"BOUNDIN'"**

"Boundin'" features a freshly shorn lamb and a jackalope -- the mythical horn-adorned rabbit of American western folklore. For the high-stepping lamb, life is an upbeat western waltz until his prairie friends tease him about his freshly sheared look. He gets down in the dumps after losing his lustrous coat. The only one who can see things right is the giant jackalope, who brings sunshine and optimism with him wherever he bounds. He is irrepressibly optimistic and the jackalope comes on to the scene to cheer him up and put a dance back into his step. (2003 Academy Award® nominee for Best Animated Short Film)

**"FOR THE BIRDS"**

One by one, a flock of small birds perches on a telephone wire. Sitting close together has problems enough, and then comes along a large dopey bird that tries to join them. The birds of a feather can't help but make fun of him and their clique mentality proves embarrassing in the end. (2001 Academy Award® winner for Best Animated Short Film)

**"GERI'S GAME"**

An aging codger named Geri plays a daylong game of chess against himself in the park. Somehow he begins losing to his livelier opponent. But just when the game's nearly over, Geri manages to turn the tables. There's Geri. And then there's the other Geri. You'd swear they were twins who didn't get along since birth. In reality, it's only one very old man, who is young at heart having a little fun with himself by faking a heart attack and finding new uses for his dentures. (1997 Academy Award® winner for Best Animated Short Film)

### **“JACK-JACK ATTACK”**

From Disney·Pixar’s 2004 Academy Award®-winning “The Incredibles” (Best Animated Feature Film) – this short finds Kari believing she’s in for a night of routine babysitting. Kari is prepared to provide neurological stimulation with some soothing musical accompaniment for little Jack-Jack, the smallest member of the Parr family. Little does she know that Jack-Jack will teach her a thing or two about babies with “special needs.” True to her word, Kari proves that she can handle anything that Jack-Jack can dish out - just barely. And Jack-Jack proves that listening to Mozart truly does make babies smarter. Or in his case, discover his super powers.

### **“KNICK KNACK”**

Life on a shelf as a snowman trapped in a snowglobe blizzard can become wearing, especially when you're surrounded by knickknacks from sunnier locales. When the jaded snowman finally breaks free of his glass house, his vacation plans are cut short. The touristy souvenirs on this shelf are true to life in their kitsch-ness: a disproportionate blonde from Miami beckons from a pool, a Death Valley skeleton invites people to surf the desert, and an Egyptian pyramid dons large sunglasses.

### **“LIFTED”**

A young alien student bumbles his first lesson in elementary abduction as an increasingly weary instructor looks on. (2006 Academy Award® nominee for Best Animated Short Film)

### **“LUXO JR.”**

A baby lamp finds a ball to play with and it's all fun and games until the ball bursts. Just when the elder Luxo thinks his kid will settle down for a bit, Luxo Jr. finds another ball -- ten times larger! Luxo Jr. has a great dad in the larger lamp. Even though he is a bit unpredictable, the elder Luxo gives him room to grow and explore. And the tiny light has no problem with that. (1986 Academy Award® nominee for Best Animated Short Film)

### **“MATER AND THE GHOSTLIGHT”**

A companion piece to Disney·Pixar’s 2006 Academy Award®-nominated “Cars” (Best Animated Feature Film), this short finds Mater “haunted” by a mysterious blue light that teaches him not to play pranks on the other cars in radiator springs.

### **“MIKE’S NEW CAR”**

From Disney·Pixar’s 2001 Academy Award®-nominated “Monsters, Inc.” (Best Animated Feature Film) – this short film finds Mike discovering that being the top-ranking laugh collector at Monsters, Inc. has its advantages -- in particular earning enough money to buy a six-wheel-drive car that's loaded with gadgets. That new car smell doesn't last long enough however, as Sulley jump-starts an ill-fated road test that teaches Mike the true meaning of buyer's remorse. Since ending the energy crisis in Monstropolis, this pair can still get into quite a predicament. Mike's pride in his new wheels is only surpassed by Sulley's lack of skills at the control panel. The two eventually agree on one thing -- walking to work might be best, at least today. (2002 Academy Award® nominee for Best Animated Short Film)

### **“ONE MAN BAND”**

With one coin to make a wish at the piazza fountain, Tippy, a peasant girl, encounters two competing street performers who'd prefer the coin find its way into their tip jars. Tippy is caught in the middle as a musical duel ensues between the one-man-bands. (2005 Academy Award® nominee for Best Animated Short Film)

### **“RED’S DREAM”**

Life as the sole sale item in the clearance corner of Eben's Bikes can get lonely. So Red, a unicycle, dreams up a clown corner and his own juggling act that steals the show. But all too soon, the applause turns into the sound of rainfall as reality rushes back. Red must resign himself to sitting in the corner and await his fate. Don't let Red's sale tag fool you. He's really a priceless unicycle with a big heart that could help out juggling performers like lumpy the clown- if only someone would give him a chance.

### **“TIN TOY”**

Babies are hardly monster-like, unless you're a toy. After escaping a drooling baby, Tinny realizes that he wants to be played with after all, but in the amount of time it takes him to discover this, the baby's attention moves on to other things only an infant could find interesting. The secret's out: curious crawling babies are what cause toys to become "lost" beneath furniture and behind dressers. But the tin musical toy, Tinny, isn't like the other scared toys under the sofa. He knows his job is to make children laugh, not cry. (1988 Academy Award® for Best Animated Short Film)

### **“YOUR FRIEND THE RAT”**

From Disney·Pixar's 2007 Academy Award®-winning “Ratatouille” (Best Animated Feature Film) – this short film finds Remy and his less than enthusiastic brother Emile presenting their case as to why humans and rats should just get along. Remy guides us through the shared history of man and the rat. Emile then provides many fun rat facts to help explain why the rat should be better appreciated. The two pull out all the stops and end with a song describing a rat and human Utopia.

### **“BURN•E”**

A companion piece from Disney·Pixar's 2008 Academy-Award®-winning “WALL•E” (Best Animated Feature Film), this short features a welding bot on the Axiom Starliner named BURN•E, who, while repairing a light bulb, is locked out of the Starliner by WALL•E and Eve. He attempts to open the locked door, but finally realizes he cannot.

### **“PRESTO”**

Dignity. Poise. Mystery. We expect nothing less from the great turn-of-the century magician, Presto. But when Presto neglects to feed his rabbit one too many times, the magician finds he isn't the only one with a few tricks up his sleeves! Alec is a simple bunny. He doesn't want fame or fortune. He just wants a humble dinner. Presto, the magician, however, lives for fame and fortune and is spiteful to anyone - or any rabbit - that stands in his way. Is there anything that could make Presto appreciate his poor, suffering bunny and give him the carrot he deserves? (2008 Academy Award® nominee for Best Animated Short Film)

### **“RESCUE SQUAD MATER”**

A companion piece to Disney·Pixar's 2006 Academy Award®-nominated “Cars” (Best Animated Feature Film), this short finds Mater part of a rescue squad that has to put out a blaze at the local Gasoline & Match factory. Unfortunately, Lightning McQueen is injured at this inferno and then has to be rushed to the hospital. But not to worry-Mater's not just a fire truck, he's also an MD.

### **“MATER THE GREATER”**

A companion piece to Disney·Pixar's 2006 Academy Award®-nominated “Cars” (Best Animated Feature Film), this short finds Mater as a famous daredevil car, who does all kinds of stunts. And Lightning McQueen, a famous race car, becomes an unwilling participant in Mater's greatest stunt ever.

### **“EL-MATERDOR”**

A companion piece to Disney·Pixar's 2006 Academy Award®-nominated “Cars” (Best Animated Feature Film), this short finds Mater as a famous bulldozer fighter in Spain. He's so good, he's able to fend off multiple bulldozers at once. Lightning McQueen joins mater in this tall tale just as things are at their worst.

### **“UNIDENTIFIED FLYING MATER”**

A companion piece to Disney·Pixar's 2006 Academy Award®-nominated “Cars” (Best Animated Feature Film), this short finds Mater meeting a cute little bucktoothed UFO named "Mator." Mater takes him out for a night of fun and they quickly become best friends. But when Mator is captured by the military, Mater and Lightning McQueen come to the rescue.

Part of the Disney-ABC Television Group, ABC Family is distributed in over 98 million homes. ABC Family features programming reflecting today's families, entertaining and connecting with adults through relevant stories about today's relationships, all told with diversity, dysfunction, passion, humor and heart. ABC Family's programming is a mix of network defining original series and original movies, quality acquired series and blockbuster theatricals. ABC Family is also the destination for annual Holiday events with "13 Nights of Halloween" and "25 Days of Christmas!" ABC Family. A New Kind of Family.

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