



THE OFFICIAL  FAN CLUB

## **D23 ANNOUNCES 2022 SLATE OF EVENTS TO DELIGHT DISNEY FANS ACROSS THE COUNTRY**

**Disney's official fan club will return to Marceline, Missouri, and The Walt Disney Studios lot; celebrate milestones for *Lilo & Stitch*, *Hercules*, *Aladdin*, and *Bedknobs and Broomsticks*; head to the theater with *The Lion King* and *Frozen*; and much more. Plus, the return of D23 Expo: The Ultimate Disney Fan Event**

BURBANK, Calif. – November 19, 2021 – Next year, [D23: The Official Disney Fan Club](#) is bringing back fan-favorite, in-person events and will continue some of the popular virtual experiences Disney fans have enjoyed over the past two years.

**D23 EXPO 2022:** The Ultimate Disney Fan Event returns September 9th through the 11th. Fans will see the latest from Disney, Pixar, Star Wars, and Marvel including a first look at the incredible plans for the 100th anniversary of The Walt Disney Company. Plus, more panels and presentations than ever will be livestreamed for fans across the globe. D23 Expo is the largest Disney fan event in the world, with all the wonderful worlds of The Walt Disney Company under one roof across film, television, streaming, theme parks, products, digital, music, live entertainment, and more. Tickets go on sale January 20.

**WALT'S MARCELINE:** Walt Disney frequently cited this charming Missouri town where he spent his early childhood as one of his greatest influences. In fact, its lovely main thoroughfare was an inspiration for Disneyland's Main Street, U.S.A. D23 Members will have a chance to explore Marceline's Walt Disney Hometown Museum, enjoy local treats, and mingle with special guests during this limited-capacity, full-day event.

**DAVE SMITH WINDOW DEDICATION:** On January 24, celebrate the life and legacy of Walt Disney Archives founder and Disney Legend Dave Smith on the day of his Disneyland window ceremony with a special presentation for Gold Members during park hours.

**BEDKNOBS AND BROOMSTICKS DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY:** On January 29, D23 celebrates the 50th anniversary of *Bedknobs and Broomsticks* at the very place it was made—The Walt Disney Studios lot—with special screenings and the chance to see items on display from the Walt Disney Archives.

**GALACTIC MEMBER MIXER:** D23 heads to a galaxy not-so-far-away for a special Member Mixer during *Star Wars* Celebration in May at the Anaheim Convention Center.

**THE WALT DISNEY STUDIOS OFFICIAL TOUR – PRESENTED BY D23:** D23 looks forward to welcoming guests back to The Walt Disney Studios lot soon, giving members the opportunity to visit the world-famous studio. These tours offer fans a unique perspective on historic moments from Disney films, television shows, and theme parks—along with the chance to look inside The Walt Disney Archives and draw inspiration from Walt's office suite.

**FAN-FAVORITE MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES:** D23 will celebrate milestone anniversaries for popular films with virtual and in-person events, including favorites such as *Lilo & Stitch* (20th), *Hercules* (25th), *Aladdin* (30th), and *The Muppet Christmas Carol* (30th).

**D23 NIGHTS WITH DISNEY THEATRICAL:** The fan club returns with more special D23 nights than ever before at two spectacular musical productions. The North American tours of Disney's *The Lion King* and Disney's *Frozen* are offering members special ticket packages and post-show Q&As with members of the cast. The first locations for these special events are Austin and St. Louis for *The Lion King*, and Atlanta and Orlando for *Frozen*.

**MORE MAGIC WITH WALT DISNEY IMAGINEERING:** D23 will continue its rich collaboration with Walt Disney Imagineering, giving fans a direct connection to the creative minds behind favorite Disney Parks. The D23 x Walt Disney Imagineering Magical Milestones virtual event series celebrates the past and future of parks around the world. This year, D23 x WDI celebrated Disney California Adventure, Shanghai Disney Resort, and Walt Disney World Resort, and next year, members can look forward to a special in honor of the 30th anniversary of Disneyland Paris!

**SIGNATURE EVENTS:** Following incredible events at the Bowers Museum in Santa Ana and Graceland in Memphis, fans can look forward to Gold Member Previews of Walt Disney Archives traveling exhibitions across the country. D23 Gold Members will enjoy advance and opening night screenings at locations such as the El Capitan, AMC Disney Springs at Walt Disney World Resort, and more theaters across the country. Walt Disney Imagineering's exclusive merchandise store, Mickey's of Glendale, will open its doors to members. And as always, D23 will celebrate the holidays in style with a special Halloween event (with a *Hocus Pocus* twist) and—as part of D23 Season of Magic—the return of the holiday favorite *Light Up the Season* in December 2022!

Dates, ticketing information, and more D23 events will be announced throughout the year. Full details on D23's lineup of 2019 special events can be found on the Fan Club's website at [D23.com/Events](https://D23.com/Events). Additional dates will be posted soon. All events and dates are subject to change.

### **About D23**

The name "D23" pays homage to the exciting journey that began in 1923 when Walt Disney opened his first studio in Hollywood. D23 is the first official club for fans in Disney's nearly 100-year history. It gives its members a greater connection to the entire world of Disney by placing them in the middle of the magic year-round through its quarterly publication, *Disney twenty-three*; a rich website at [D23.com](https://D23.com) with members-only content; member-exclusive offers and discounts; and special experiences for D23 Members throughout the year.

Fans can join D23 at Gold Membership (\$99.99), Gold Duo Membership (\$129.99), and General Membership (complimentary) levels at [D23.com](https://D23.com). To keep up with all the latest D23 news and events, follow DisneyD23 on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube, and download the D23 app for real-time Disney updates.

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