The Walt Disney Family Museum is pleased to announce its second annual fundraising gala benefiting the Museum’s ongoing initiatives to support the next generation of creative talent. The event will honor Marty Sklar, Disney Legend and Walt Disney Imagineering Ambassador, who, in addition to working directly with Walt Disney, has been a leading Disney creative force contributing to each of the eleven parks around the world. For more than half a century, Sklar has been instrumental in sharing the magic of Disney-themed entertainment with people around the globe.

Sklar will be honored with the Diane Disney Miller Lifetime Achievement Award. The accolade recognizes individuals who have made an outstanding impact in the field of arts, education, community involvement, and/or technological advancements. Last year’s inaugural recipient was Disney Legend and songwriter Richard Sherman.

The gala is presented by the Board of The Walt Disney Family Museum and President of the Board, Ron Miller, with Neil Patrick Harris confirmed as the Master of Ceremonies. Harris said, "As a massive Disney fan, I am honored to be able to carry on the renowned legacy of the man who made it all possible—Walt Disney himself—and support The Walt Disney Family Museum for its second annual gala to help foster the next generation of creative talent while honoring Disney Legend, Marty Sklar for his outstanding achievements." Additional special guests and presenters to be announced.

The Walt Disney Family Museum is a nonprofit organization located in the Presidio of San Francisco, California. The gala will take place at Disney’s Grand Californian Hotel® & Spa at the Disneyland® Resort in Anaheim, California. Gala guests will enjoy an after-hours private viewing of World of Color — Celebrate! in Disney California Adventure® Park.

When: Tuesday, November 1, 2016 | 6:30pm

Where: Disney’s Grand Californian Hotel® & Spa at The Disneyland® Resort
1600 Disneyland Drive
Anaheim, CA 92802

Tickets: To learn more about tickets or table sponsorship opportunities, please contact Carma Zisman, Director of Institutional Advancement, at czisman@wdfmuseum.org.

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ABOUT THE MUSEUM
The Walt Disney Family Museum presents the fascinating story and achievements of Walt Disney, the man who raised animation to the level of fine art, transformed the film industry, tirelessly pursued innovation, and created a global yet distinctively American legacy. Opened in October 2009, the 40,000 square foot facility features the newest technology along with a vast collection of historic materials and artifacts to bring Disney’s achievements to life, myriad interactive
galleries presenting early drawings and animation, movies, music, listening stations, a spectacular model of Disneyland and much more. The museum is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization located in the scenic Presidio of San Francisco.

The Walt Disney Family Museum has created many world-class exhibitions, such as Disney and Dalí: Architects of the Imagination; MAGIC, COLOR, FLAIR: the world of Mary Blair; and Water to Paper, Paint to Sky: The Art of Tyrus Wong, several of which have traveled to other museums around the world. The most recent, Wish Upon a Star: The Art of Pinocchio, is the fifteenth exhibition originated by museum since 2012.