



MONTCLAIR FILM FESTIVAL TO PARTNER WITH  
FOX SEARCHLIGHT PICTURES TO PRESENT "TOLKIEN"

Post-screening Q&A with stars Nicholas Hoult, Lily Collins and director  
Dome Karukoski, moderated by Stephen Colbert

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country for one night only via Fathom Events on May 7,  
ahead of the film's nationwide release on May 10

April 15, 2019, MONTCLAIR, NJ – On Tuesday, May 7 at 7:30pm ET, Montclair Film along with Fox Searchlight Pictures will host "**TOLKIEN: Live From the Montclair Film Festival With Stephen Colbert**," a special screening with an exclusive Q&A with stars **Nicholas Hoult, Lily Collins** and director **Dome Karukoski**, moderated by Tolkien super fan **Stephen Colbert**, host of The Late Show with Stephen Colbert on CBS. In a first for the festival, the event will be broadcast live to movie theaters across the country via Fathom Events for only one night. "Tolkien" opens in theaters nationwide on Friday, May 10.

"We're excited for the opportunity to bring TOLKIEN to the Montclair Film Festival audience and to share this special event with fans across movie theaters nationwide via Fathom Events," said Frank Rodriguez, SVP General Sales Manager, Fox Searchlight Pictures. "It's especially thrilling to have Tolkien aficionado Stephen Colbert add his own unique insights – it's an event not to be missed."

TOLKIEN explores the formative years of the renowned author's life as he finds friendship, courage and inspiration among a fellow group of writers and artists at school. Their brotherhood strengthens as they grow up and weather love and loss together, including Tolkien's tumultuous courtship of his beloved Edith Bratt, until the outbreak of the First World War which threatens to tear their fellowship apart. All of these experiences would later inspire Tolkien to write his famous Middle-earth novels.

"We are so grateful to our friends at Fox Searchlight for sharing this wonderful opportunity with us," said Montclair Film Executive Director Tom Hall. "Bringing this extraordinary film and post-screening conversation to audiences around the nation is an absolute thrill, and we look forward to a fantastic night."

To purchase tickets for "TOLKIEN: Live From the Montclair Film Festival With Stephen Colbert" at a movie theater near you, visit [FathomEvents.com](https://www.fathomevents.com).

The full 2019 Montclair Film Festival line-up can be found [here](#). The festival is presented by Investors Bank, in Montclair, N.J. Tickets for Montclair Film members are on sale now, with public tickets on sale Friday, April 12. To become a member or purchase tickets, please visit [montclairfilm.org](https://www.montclairfilm.org).

Directed by Dome Karukoski ("Tom Of Finland"), "Tolkien" is written by David Gleeson ("Cowboys & Angels") and Stephen Beresford ("Pride"), and stars Nicholas Hoult ("The Favourite") as J.R.R. Tolkien with Lily Collins ("Okja") as his future wife and muse Edith. The film also stars Colm Meaney, Anthony Boyle, Patrick Gibson, Tom Glynn-Carney, Craig Roberts, Derek Jacobi, Harry Gilby, Adam Bregman, Albie Marber, Ty Tennant, Laura

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Donnelly, Genevieve O'Reilly and Pam Ferris. "Tolkien" is produced by Peter Chernin, p.g.a., Jenno Topping, p.g.a., David Ready, p.g.a., and Kris Thykier p.g.a.

## **ABOUT MONTCLAIR FILM**

Montclair Film, a non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization, nurtures, and showcases the talents of filmmakers from around the region and world. Montclair Film unites, empowers, educates, and celebrates our region's diverse cultural heritage and robust artistic community by presenting engaging programs and events all year long. The 8th annual Montclair Film Festival will take place from May 3-12, 2019. Montclair Film's year-round and festival programming is made possible through generous support from Investors Bank; Audible; Hackensack Meridian Health; the Horizon Foundation for New Jersey; The Bravitas Group; Ashenfelter, Slous, Trembulak, McDonough, Golia & Trevenen, LLP; Chubb; Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage; William H. Connolly & Co.; The Nature Conservancy, and others. Our programs are made possible by funds from the New Jersey Department of State, Division of Travel and Tourism, as well as the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts. For information about Montclair Film, visit [www.montclairfilm.org](http://www.montclairfilm.org)

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