

## A Roller Coaster of Emotions on the Summer Issue Cover of Disney twenty-three Featuring Characters from Inside Out 2

Plus, go behind the scenes with the creators and stars from Disney's spectacular summer slate of films and shows including *Deadpool* & *Wolverine*, *Inside Out 2*, *Kingdom of the Planet of the Apes*, and *Star Wars: The Acolyte* 

Explore the *Walt Disney Archives Presents: A Great Big Beautiful Car Show* coming to D23: The Ultimate Disney Fan Event Presented by VISA as well as the upcoming Fantasy Springs at Tokyo DisneySea

Discover even more ways to save and play with all-new discounts and events exclusive to D23 Members

BURBANK, California – May 13, 2024 – This summer, The Walt Disney Company is releasing an unparalleled lineup of films and shows from across its many award-winning studios including Marvel Studios, Pixar Animation Studios, Lucasfilm, and 20th Century Studios. Inside the *Disney twenty-three* Summer 2024 issue, D23 Gold Members will get a first look at some of the innovative storytelling and behind-the-scenes moments from several beloved franchises as well as new titles. On June 14, Joy, Sadness, Anger, Fear, and Disgust are back and ready for a bumpy ride in Disney and Pixar's *Inside Out 2* as Riley navigates the roller coaster of emotions that comes with being a teenager. The highly anticipated sequel to the 2015 Academy Award<sup>®</sup>-winning film *Inside Out* will introduce moviegoers to four new Emotions arriving in Riley's mind. Hear from the director, **Kelsey Mann**, and the remarkable cast, including **Amy Poehler** (Joy), **Maya Hawke** (Anxiety), **Kensington Tallman** (Riley), **Liza Lapira** (Disgust), **Tony Hale** (Fear), **Lewis Black** (Anger), and **Phyllis Smith** (Sadness), as they share the inside scoop on the next chapter of Riley's life and lookback at the iconic movie that started it all.

On July 26, the dynamic duo of Deadpool (Ryan Reynolds) and Wolverine (Hugh Jackman) will team up in the MCU's latest blockbuster. Director, producer, and writer **Shawn Levy** and executive producer **Wendy Jacobson** share how this explosive matchup came together—and what moviegoers can expect from Marvel Studios' **Deadpool & Wolverine** ahead of the epic adventure. Another celebrated franchise—

*Planet of the Apes*—that has enthralled fans for generations will also see the next chapter in their story with *Kingdom of the Planet of the Apes*, now available in theaters. *Disney twenty-three* readers will learn behind-the-scenes secrets shared by the stars and filmmakers who are bringing this story to fans.

Over on Disney+, *Star Wars* fans will have the opportunity to learn what life was like before the rise of the Empire when *Star Wars: The Acolyte* debuts on June 4. In the Summer 2024 issue, D23 Gold Members will get a preview of the show from executive producer **Leslye Headland** and stars **Amandla Stenberg** and **Dafne Keen**.

D23 Gold Members will also have the chance to get an exclusive look at Disney Parks' largest park expansion, Fantasy Springs, the extraordinary new port of call at Tokyo DisneySea within Tokyo Disney Resort<sup>®</sup>. Inspired by the worlds of *Peter Pan* (1953), *Tangled* (2010), and *Frozen* (2013), Fantasy Springs creates all-new immersive experiences for fans of these cherished franchises. Be the first to see all-exclusive photographs and read interviews with the Walt Disney Imagineers who created this magical port in collaboration with Oriental Land Company.

In anticipation of the upcoming D23: The Ultimate Disney Fan Event Presented by VISA, take a closer look at the specially curated exhibition from the Walt Disney Archives coming to the show floor of this sold-out event August 9, 10, and 11 in Anaheim, California. *Walt Disney Archives Presents: A Great Big Beautiful Car Show* will feature an amazing display of iconic Disney vehicles from classic movies, shows, and Disney theme parks. In this *Disney twenty-three* preview, readers will take a tour of the secret warehouse where so many Disney artifacts are stored and learn the stories behind the vehicles that captivated fans on the silver screen and in real life.

The new issue, available exclusively to Gold Members of <u>D23</u>: <u>The Official Disney Fan</u> <u>Club</u>, also introduces readers to the debut of a surprising feature from the Walt Disney Archives titled *Down the Rabbit Hole*; dives under the sea with *Disney Jr.'s Ariel*, the upcoming series featuring the little mermaid; and plunges into the heroic, true tale told in *Young Woman and the Sea* (in theaters May 31) with star **Daisy Ridley**, who plays American swimming champion Trudy Ederle, and director **Joachim Rønning**.

Also in the Summer 2024 issue of *Disney twenty-three*:

- Previously untold tales from retired Walt Disney Imagineer Bob Weis, the former president of Walt Disney Imagineering
- A closer look at the Voices of Liberty a capella group, who have been singing at *The American Adventure* pavilion in EPCOT since Opening Day
- Regular features including D Society, By the Numbers, Character Analysis, and Ask the Walt Disney Archives

**Disney twenty-three** is delivered directly to fans' doorsteps and is offered exclusively to D23 Gold Members as a benefit of their membership. The latest issue will begin arriving before the end of May.

Along with this one-of-a-kind magazine, D23 Gold Members can enjoy additional benefits such as discounts on tickets, hotels, stores, and venues, as well as access to special events that provide fans with distinctly Disney experiences.

New <u>offers</u> include discounts to select <u>Disney Theatrical</u> touring productions; <u>The 5th</u> <u>Avenue Theatre</u> in Seattle, Washington; <u>Drawn to Life</u> by Cirque du Soleil and Disney; <u>The Anaheim Hotel</u>; and the Walt Disney World <u>Swan Reserve and Swan Hotel</u>.

This summer, fans of *The Princess and the Frog* (2009) can celebrate the rich legacy and exciting future of this treasured story with D23 Member events at the Walt Disney World<sup>®</sup> Resort! A 15th anniversary theatrical screening of the film at Disney Springs is first on the menu, where fans can enjoy the feature on the silver screen, accompanied by a special Mardi Gras-inspired cookie from the fan-favorite Gideon's Bakehouse.

In the evening at a separate-ticketed event, D23 Gold Members will have the opportunity to be among the first to enjoy the new Walt Disney World attraction, *Tiana's Bayou Adventure* at Magic Kingdom Park. D23 Gold Members will be able to ride the attraction again and again, then take some time to enjoy the enchanting evening ambiance of the bayou with live jazz performances and tasty treats available during this celebration of *Tiana's Bayou Adventure*.

Full details on the special lineup of D23 Member discounts and events for 2024 are available on the fan club's website at  $\underline{D23.com}$ . All events, dates, and discounts 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 over 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 special experiences; member-exclusive offers and discounts; its quarterly publication, *Disney twenty-three*; the <u>D23 Inside Disney podcast</u>; and the latest news and stories on <u>D23.com</u>.

Fans can join D23 at Gold Membership (\$99.99/year), Gold Duo Membership (\$129.99/year), and General Membership (complimentary) levels at <u>D23.com</u>. To keep up with all the latest D23 news and events, follow DisneyD23 on <u>X (Twitter)</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>TikTok</u>, and <u>YouTube</u>.

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