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LASSIE VISITS FACETS!

See the New Feature-length Film and the Famous Pooch.

Chicago, IL - Chicago International Children's Film's Festival is pleased to welcome canine celebrity, Lassie, to Facets Multi-Media (1517 W. Fullerton) for a free preview screening of her new movie today at 4:00 pm.

The beloved collie returns to enchant younger generations in the new feature film, "Lassie" appearing at theatres in early September. After falling on hard times, the Carraclough family is forced to sell Lassie, their beloved dog. When she succeeds in escaping her cage, Lassie finds herself transported five hundred miles away to a remote castle on the northern coast of Scotland. She is determined to defy the odds and return to the home she loves. So begins an incredible adventure, set against a stunning series of landscapes, that sees Lassie facing dangers both natural and human and finding help in unexpected places as she makes her way across the country, to reach home. Starring 7-time Academy Award nominee Peter O'Toole (Lawrence of Arabia) and Samantha Morton (Sweet and Lowdown, Minority Report), "Lassie" promises to be a new family classic.

"This is a great warm up for the Chicago International Children's Film Festival in October," said Deidre Searcy, Programming Director. "We will have screenings like this all over the city."

Parents, Lassie is rated PG for mild action. For more information visit the official website or visit www.parentalguide.org. For more information on the CICFF, to rsvp for the screening or to arrange interviews, please contact Kathleen Beckman at 773-281-9075 or Kidsfest@facets.org. Doors open at 3:15 pm.