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**ARCHIVES HOSTING ANNUAL ALABAMA IN THE MOVIES SUMMER FILM FESTIVAL**

Montgomery, AL (6/21/18) – The Alabama Department of Archives and History (ADAH) is set to host its annual summer film festival *Alabama in the Movies* beginning Thursday, July 12. This four-week festival features movies filmed or set in Alabama, as well as films starring Alabama actors. Screenings will be held on Thursday evenings beginning at **6:00pm** in the Archives' air-conditioned Joseph M. Farley Alabama Power Auditorium. **Admission is FREE!**

Concessions provided by **Chris' Hot Dogs, the Friends of the Alabama Archives, and other local vendors** will be available for purchase beginning at 5:30.

**2018 ALABAMA IN THE MOVIES SCHEDULE:**

**Thursday, July 12: *Close Encounters of the Third Kind* (1977)** After an accidental encounter with otherworldly vessels, an ordinary man follows a series of psychic clues to the first scheduled meeting between representatives of Earth and visitors from the cosmos. *Close Encounters* was filmed on location Mobile, Bay Minette, Fairhope, and Irvington. Directed by Steven Spielberg. Drama, Sci-Fi. Rated PG.

**Thursday, July 19: *Fried Green Tomatoes* (1991)** Set in Alabama, this iconic film starring Kathy Bates and Jessica Tandy is based on the novel *Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe* by Alabama-native Fannie Flagg. Drama. Rated PG-13

**Thursday, July 26: *Selma* (2014)** A chronicle of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s campaign to secure equal voting rights via an epic march from Selma to Montgomery in 1965. Filmed on location in Selma and Montgomery. Directed by Ava DuVernay. Drama. Rated PG-13.

**Thursday, August 2: *Hidden Figures* (2016)** The story of a team of female African American mathematicians who served a vital role in NASA during the early years of the U.S. space program. Starring Montgomery native Octavia Spencer. Drama. Rated PG.

The Alabama Department of Archives and History is located in downtown Montgomery, directly across the street from the State Capitol. It is the state's government records repository, special collections library and research facility, and is home to the Museum of Alabama, the state history museum. The Archives and Museum are open Monday through Saturday, 8:30 to 4:30. To learn more, visit [www.archives.alabama.gov](http://www.archives.alabama.gov) or call (334) 242-4364.

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