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MUSEUM OF THE MOVING IMAGE SALUTES HUGH JACKMAN

Tuesday, December 11, 2012, at Cipriani Wall Street

New York, August 15, 2012—Tony and Emmy Award winning actor Hugh Jackman will be honored by Museum of the Moving Image at its 27th annual Salute on December 11, 2012, at Cipriani Wall Street in New York. The news was announced today by Carl Goodman, the Museum's Executive Director.

Goodman stated, "We are thrilled to be honoring one of the world's most beloved and talented performers."

Hugh Jackman is perhaps best known around the world as Wolverine in the *X-Men* series, and has starred in films for such directors as Baz Luhrmann (*Australia*), Woody Allen (*Scoop*), Christopher Nolan (*The Prestige*), and Darren Aronofsky (*The Fountain*). Later this year, he will headline as Jean Valjean in the eagerly awaited screen version of the musical epic *Les Misérables* from acclaimed director Tom Hooper (*The King's Speech*), set for a December 14th release.

As comfortable on stage as he is on screen, Jackman has seen additional success on Broadway with credits including the musical *The Boy From Oz* (for which he won Tony, Drama Desk, Drama League, Outer Critics Circle and Theatre World Awards), his recent one-man show *Hugh Jackman: Back on Broadway*, and the drama *A Steady Rain* opposite Daniel Craig. In addition to serving as Tony Awards host for three consecutive years from 2003 to 2005 (his second appearance earned him an Emmy Award, and the final garnered an Emmy nomination), Jackman brought his honed skills to Hollywood where he hosted the 81st Annual Academy Awards in 2009.

Hugh Jackman joins the ranks of past honorees who have received the Museum's Salute, including Alec Baldwin, Tom Cruise, Clint Eastwood, Robert DeNiro, Goldie Hawn, Dustin Hoffman, Tom Hanks, Steve Martin, Mike Nichols, Al Pacino, Sidney Poitier, Julia Roberts, Martin Scorsese, and Steven Spielberg.

Funds raised from the Salute support the programs, exhibitions, and educational activities of Museum of the Moving Image. The education programs, which include curriculum-based tours, screenings, and workshops, serve nearly 60,000 students per year.

The MMI Salute to Hugh Jackman is produced by Scott Mauro Entertainment, Inc; Scott Mauro, Executive Producer. This is the second consecutive MMI event produced by Scott Mauro Entertainment following the Salute to Alec Baldwin.

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