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## Movie Park Germany is bringing back the magic to Studio 7! New Sherlock Holmes show with award-winning illusionist Christian Farla starting in July!

(Bottrop-Kirchhellen, 21 June 2022) Sherlock Holmes will soon be investigating at Movie Park Germany – for what is probably the most magical case of his career! Because none other than the renowned and award-winning master illusionist Christian Farla steps into the spotlight of Studio 7 for the role of the world-famous detective and challenges guests' perception with a new thematic illusion show. Even though magicians never give their tricks away, one secret can already be revealed: The brand-new family show entitled "Sherlock Holmes – A Game of Mystery" will be shown exclusively at Germany's largest movie and theme park from 1 July until 28 August 2022.

"Entertainment will be a big focus at Movie Park again this year! That's why we are delighted to have Christian Farla, such a renowned and talented illusionist, on stage at Studio 7," says Thorsten Backhaus, Managing Director of Movie Park Germany. "In addition to our stunt show, jet ski show, street entertainment and plaza show, we are thus not only expanding our show program for the whole family but can also further emphasize our identity as a film park with this new, impressive show around the probably best-known detective in the history of TV and literature."

The internationally renowned illusionist and escape artist Christian Farla, originally from the Netherlands, has performed all over the world from Las Vegas to China and in almost every country in Europe. With his appearances on TV shows such as "Britain's Got Talent" (UK), "Le Plus Grand Cabaret du Monde" (France) and "Das Supertalent" (Germany, finals), he has already reached millions of viewers worldwide with his magic shows. He is the only European illusionist to have won the MERLIN Award for "Illusionist of the Year" three times and the IAAPA Big E Award for "Best Illusion Show" twice.

"I am extremely excited to be performing at Movie Park Germany. It's my favorite attraction park and movies and magic have always had a close connection since the times of Georges Méliès. Also, Studio 7 has a great history of having an illusion show and I am honored to bring that magic back again," says Christian Farla. "I have already performed over 4000 shows in Germany and can't wait to meet the fans again

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and entertain the audience with my new illusions. 'Sherlock Holmes – A Game of Mystery' will also have a cast with Bianca Farla as Irene Adler, Dave van der Wal as Professor Moriarty and The Showgirls of Magic. Come with us to the mysterious world of superdetective Sherlock Holmes!"

The new family-friendly show takes the audience to Victorian London in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century. The city's people are suddenly disappearing without a trace, newspapers are piling up with headlines and reports about missing persons. A case for 221B Baker Street! The citizens can only rely on master detective Sherlock Holmes to solve the mysterious disappearances and find the person behind all the intrigues: Holmes' old familiar nemesis Professor Moriarty! The boundaries between illusion and reality continue to disappear and the audience witnesses spectacular grand illusions. People disappear and reappear. In the end, Holmes and Moriarty face each other and there can only be one winner. A chess game of a special kind between the two rivals finally decides the outcome of the mysterious case.

The grand illusion show will be staged up to three times a day at Movie Park in Studio 7. Part of the performance will be Christian Farla's unique illusion "The Jaws Escape". Guests can also look forward to spectacular tricks such as the "Eclipse" or the "Double Spiker". With more than ten large-scale illusions, Farla will put the senses and perception of the audience to the test and provide even more movie-like entertainment in Hollywood in Germany.

For more info on Christian Farla, visit his official website at: https://www.christianfarla.nl/

## Movie Park Germany

Since 1996, Movie Park Germany has been offering its visitors shows, attractions and events all about film, with the motto: "Hooray, I'm in the movies!" Spanning approximately 45 hectares, the Park invites guests to immerse themselves in the world of film and find excitement, entertainment and thrill in more than 40 different attractions. Germany's largest film and amusement park is a special experience for young and old alike, having borne the TÜV distinction "OK for Kids" since 2006. Featuring Nickland, one of the largest NICK theme worlds worldwide, the Park is particularly suitable for families. Thanks to the in-house tour operator Movie Park Holidays, arranging a long journey with accommodation in nearby hotels is child's play. www.movieparkholidays.com. Movie Park is part of Parques Reunidos, one of the leading global operators of regional leisure parks with a well-diversified portfolio of more than 60 different assets (theme parks, zoos and marine parks, water parks and other attractions), spread out over 12 countries across Europe, North America, the Middle East, and Australia.

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