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Wine, Appetizers, Lecture and Movie

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Vincent Price Wine



"House on Haunted Hill"



"House on Haunted Hill" Photo provided

budget horror movies such as "House of Wax" (1953). He achieved his first major success in "House of Usher" (1960). Known for his distinctive, low-pitched, creaky, atmospheric voice and his quizzical, mock-serious facial expressions, he went on to star in a series of acclaimed Gothic horror movies, such as "Pit and the Pendulum" (1961) and "The Abominable Dr. Phibes" (1971). In the mid-1970s he started doing cooking programs for television. Price's final acting role was in "Edward Scissorhands" (1990). Vincent Price died on Oct. 25, 1993 at age 82 of lung cancer and emphysema.

A special screening of the original (1959) "House on Haunted Hill" will be shown at 9 p.m. at the Orinda Theatre.

An eccentric millionaire, Frederick Loren (Vincent Price) has a proposal for five guests at a possibly haunted mansion: Show up, survive the night and receive \$10,000 each.

Sounds easy?

Prior to the screening of "House on Haunted Hill," Victoria Price will be giving a lecture on her famous dad. Seating is limited for the wine tasting event. Get your tickets early online at lamorindatheatres.com.

Tickets for the wine tasting are \$10 for which you will receive a 3-ounce pour of each of Price's wines. Movie and lecture tickets are \$10 or free with a purchase of a bottle of wine. Do not miss this special evening.

The Vincent Price evening of celebration is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 26 at Cine Cuvée, Orinda Theatre Square's new wine lounge adjacent to the theater. The event starts at 7 p.m. with wine tasting from the Vincent Price Signature Collection and appetizers from his world famous cookbook, "A Treasury of Great Recipes" (1965) that Price wrote with his wife, Mary. His daughter, Victoria Price, will be attending and will reminisce about her father - a man who loved life, art, wine, food, his family and entertaining people.

Vincent Leonard Price, Jr. was an actor, writer, art connoisseur and gourmet who was born in St Louis, Missouri on May 27, 1911 to Marguerite Cobb (Wilcox) and Vincent Leonard Price, Sr. He traveled through Europe, studied at Yale, became an actor and made his screen debut in 1938. After many minor roles, he began performing in low-

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