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Alfred Hitchcock Conference Announces Keynote Speakers

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - HitchCon is pleased to announce the keynote speakers for its third annual International Alfred Hitchcock Conference — HitchCon '23 — October 7 & 8, 2023, online and live at Mercy College in Dobbs Ferry, New York. Hundreds of filmmakers and scholars from around the world will gather to explore the theme *Hitchcock Unbound: Reimagining the Art of the Story*.

This year features an in-demand group of speakers. Says film producer/director Norman Buckley (*Sweet Magnolias*, *Gossip Girl*), “It's rare to get the chance to rub elbows with some of the best living Hitchcock scholars and this is your chance to do so.” Why does he attend HitchCon? “As a filmmaker, I find these conferences inspiring and illuminating.” Keynote speakers include:

- **William Rothman**, founding editor of the “Harvard Film Studies” series and author of the shot-by-shot analysis of five Hitchcock films *Hitchcock: The Murderous Gaze*.
- **Murray Pomerance**, author of seven acclaimed books on the director, including *An Eye for Hitchcock*.
- **Thomas Leitch**, author of *Find the Director and Other Hitchcock Games* and *The Encyclopedia of Alfred Hitchcock*.
- **Richard Allen**, former co-editor of *The Hitchcock Annual* and author of *Hitchcock's Romantic Irony*.
- **Paula Marantz Cohen**, author of the top-selling *Talking Cure: An Essay on the Civilizing Power of Conversation* and *Alfred Hitchcock: The Legacy of Victorianism*.

Headshots at hitchcon.org/#keynote-speakers. Right-click the photo to download. Tickets [on sale at eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com).

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About Joel Gunz

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An independent scholar and filmmaker, Joel publishes [The Hitchcockian Quarterly](https://thehitchcockianquarterly.com) and his film projects include *Alfred Hitchcock, Master of the Surreal* (series 2019-current) and *Spellbound by L'Amour Fou* (2021). He and his partner, Christy La Guardia, live with their beagle, Charlie, in Olympia, Washington. More at joelgunz.com

About HitchCon

Founded in 2021, HitchCon International Alfred Hitchcock Conference has rapidly grown to become the world's largest conference dedicated to the artistry of The Master of Suspense. HitchCon also takes place year round, gathering a community of filmmakers, scholars and fans for bi-weekly lectures and movie screenings. HitchCon is designed to appeal to a wide range of individuals of all ages, disciplines and backgrounds — including underrepresented groups — united in their appreciation of film. [Meet the HitchCon Advisory Board](https://hitchcon.org/#meet-the-advisory-board).