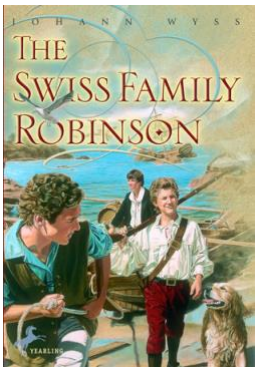
LA Harbor International Film Festival (LAHIFF)
P.O. Box 5202 - San Pedro, CA 90733 ~ Tel. (310) 519-0756
To create a cinematic bridge between the people of the region and the people of the world

Education/Outreach Program March 5, 2026 (Invitation only)

"Read the Book, See the Movie" (RBSM) *For students and community readers*



featuring the Joann Wyss classic novel & Disney 1960 film

The Swiss Family Robinson

One of the world's best loved stories of shipwreck and survival, the novel has inspired the imagination of readers since it was published in 1812. After being shipwrecked, a Swiss pastor, his wife and their four young sons, along with two dogs and a shipload of livestock strive to create a new life on a remote tropical island with intelligence, ingenuity and piety.

The Disney1960 movie, directed by Academy Award® nominated Ken Annakin (Dir. George Lukas, according to IMDB, named Anakin Skywalker after him), recreates the adventure and challenges for the family, from the charming tree house menagerie of exotic animals, to the exciting encounter and escape from nefarious pirates.

In 2008 the novel and movie were the RBM selection and the 93 year old director (late) Ken Annakin attended the screening along with star actor (late) James MacArthur (Fritz), also attended.

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Thursday, March 5, 2026; 10 am

Free Culmination Program - Film Screening & Discussion

(doors open 9:30 a.m. over @ 1:15 pm)

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium John Olguin Auditorium (CMA)

3720 Stephen M. White Drive, San Pedro, CA 90731

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Readers greeted by authentic bagpiper*; lite refreshments provided; brown bag lunches may be brought

RBSM Sponsors past and present include

Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn,
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The Popcorn Man ~ 7-Eleven ~ Mary Star of the Sea High School ~ Arlene (Dickey) & Myron Lockrem

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LAHIFF showcases film and video that reflects all the harbor embraces; shipping and commerce, fishing, sailing, water sports, sea life and all the rich ethnic and cultural influences of the area -
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See website at ww.laharborfilmfest.com for festival programs and more

* subject o availability

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