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The USO to Host Two, Private Screenings of *Star Wars: The Clone Wars* at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar January 18th

Viewings to Include Pre-Recorded Video Message from Executive Producer George Lucas
Along With Q&A and Autograph Session with Show's Cast

Twitter Pitch: @the_USO to host @TheClone Wars Screenings at @MCASMiramarCA on Jan 18 w/ @dave_filoni!

WHAT: Two, Private USO Screenings of Cartoon Network's Star Wars: The Clone Wars

WHO: Dave Filoni, supervising director of *Star Wars: The Clone Wars*

Dee Bradley Baker, actor and voice of 'Captain Rex,' 'the clones' and 'Bossk'

Catherine Taber, actor and voice of 'Padme Amidala'

James Arnold Taylor, actor and voice of 'Obi-Wan Kenobi'

Matt Lanter, actor and voice of 'Anakin Skywalker' Ashley Eckstein, actor and voice of 'Ahsoka Tano'

WHEN: Fri., January 19, 2013

4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. USO Presser

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. "Clone Wars" Screening/Q&A No. 1 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. "Clone Wars" Screening/Q&A No. 2

Interested media must RSVP with the Miramar Public Affairs Office at

miramarmedia@usmc.mil or (858) 864-3406 by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 17. Once confirmed, the Miramar Public Affairs team will meet with all media organizations at 4:45 p.m. at the parking lot next to the East Gate. (Take the Miramar Way exit from I-15 and make a right into the parking lot on the right - the gate guard will direct you

there.)

WHERE: Bob Hope Theater

WHY: The USO will bring sci fi and the galactic battles of *Star Wars* to Marine Corps Air Station

Miramar with two, private screenings of the critically acclaimed Cartoon Network series

Star Wars: The Clone Wars on Friday, January 18. The screenings will take place at the legendary Bob Hope Theater. The 5:30 p.m. screening features a "youngling-friendly" episode entitled "The Gathering." The second screening at 8:00 p.m. marks the U.S. premiere of the episode entitled "Eminence," featuring the return of villain Darth Maul.

In addition to running the roughly 25-minute episode, the USO will treat Marines and their families with a 20-minute Q&A and 30-minute autograph session featuring the show's supervising director **Dave Filoni** and five cast members. Among the actors scheduled to be onsite to greet troops and talk animation, include **Dee Bradley Baker** (voice of 'Captain Rex,' 'the clones' and 'Bossk'), **Catherine Taber** (voice of 'Padme Amidala'), **James Arnold Taylor** (voice of 'Obi-Wan Kenobi'), **Matt Lanter** (voice of 'Anakin Skywalker') and **Ashley Eckstein** (voice of 'Ahsoka Tano').

Prior to the USO screenings, the group will tour the installation to learn about military operations and extend their heartfelt gratitude to servicemen and women. The group will also make a stop at Miramar's flight fine to talk with pilots, view aircraft and pose for photos. This trip will mark the second USO experience for Taylor, who traveled to Japan in 2009 and will be returning to the Pacific in early March, and the first for the remainder of the group.

Marine Corps Air Station Miramar and the USO invite and encourage all media to attend the 4 p.m. press conference to hear directly from the show's cast about their visit to Miramar, their support of troops and their families; upcoming projects; and what is in store for the popular animated series in 2013. *Star Wars: The Clone Wars* airs Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. PT/ET on Cartoon Network.

NOTE:

The USO strives to deliver life-changing experiences, like this *Star Wars: The Clone Wars* USO Screening, to troops and their families around the world. You too can get in on the action by giving a gift to a service member or a military family year round at USO Wishbook. Visit usowishbook.org to learn ways to help show your support.

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