

# STUDIO MOVIE GRILL

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## **Studio Movie Grill CEO/Founder Brian Schultz to be honored with The Stodghill Award at the inaugural DFS Spotlight Luncheon**

**Dallas, TX (February 15, 2018)** – The Dallas Film Society will honor Studio Movie Grill CEO/Founder/Owner Brian Schultz with The Stodghill Award, which celebrates an individual and their long-term efforts in supporting the art of film, at the DFS Spotlight Luncheon next Wednesday, February 21, at the Four Corners Brewing Company (1311 South Ervay Street).

Dallas Film Society CEO & President Johnathan Brownlee said, “So proud to be honoring such a wonderful personal friend, true friend to film and a community leader, Brian Schultz. Brian is the textbook example of a business innovator who leads with his sincere desire to be a positive force to his employees and his community. This makes him the perfect person to honor with The Stodghill Award at our inaugural DFS Spotlight Luncheon.

The first DFS Spotlight Luncheon and debut of The Stodghill Award (designed by Brad Oldham) will be a casual event, eschewing the traditional pomp and circumstance connected with celebratory dinners, and focusing instead on bringing people together with a theme taking it’s cues from the hit Adam Sandler comedy, THE WATERBOY. The film holds a special significance for Schultz, as THE WATERBOY was the Studio Movie Grill’s first major success screening a first-run studio film at their theaters.

Schultz is the founder/owner and CEO of Studio Movie Grill (“SMG”), the original cinema-dining concept combining first-run movies with table service restaurants. Schultz is credited as the leader and innovator of this rapidly growing segment of the exhibition industry.

SMG attracts more than 11 million patrons annually and hosts thousands of corporate and special events. A leader among businesses in the arena of conscious business initiatives, and with a company-wide mission to open hearts and minds, one story at a time, SMG works tirelessly with the communities surrounding their theaters to better the lives of their guests. This includes a number of varied charitable initiatives, its 15-year-old legacy special needs screening program, Chefs for Children, funding charitable projects, community building and outreach initiatives, and supporting additional fundraising events and film festivals.

The DFS Spotlight Luncheon will take place from 11:30AM-1:30PM. All proceeds from the event will go to support DFS’s year-round education and community outreach programs. To purchase tickets or for more information, go to: <https://www.dallasfilm.org/dfsspotlight>.

**About Studio Movie Grill**

Established in 2000, Studio Movie Grill modernized the traditional movie-going experience by combining first-run movies with full-service, in-theater dining. SMG has swiftly grown to 30 locations in 9 states. SMG was named to *Inc.* Magazine's List of Fastest Growing Private Companies two years in a row. As a commitment to its mission, Opening Hearts and Minds One Story at a Time, SMG's long-standing Special Needs Screenings, Chefs for Children community programs and annual Opening Hearts and Minds Awards continue to help families and acknowledge heroes everywhere. For additional information, visit [www.studiomoviegrill.com](http://www.studiomoviegrill.com).

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