

Rimmer vs Robocop, Scully vs Skywalker, who will reign supreme?



Vote NOW for the Greatest Sci-Fi Character of All Time

Have you ever argued over whether Ripley is better at battling aliens than Captain Scarlet, or wondered if Kryten could be outsmarted by C-3PO? Hero or heroine? Monster or machine? Sci-fi experts, writers, directors and famous fans from across the galaxy are nominating their contenders for the **Greatest Sci-Fi Characters of All Time** and now the BFI wants your views.

From the heroic adventures of *Flash Gordon* and the motley crew of *Serenity*, to the time-travelling journeys of *Dr Who* and the supermarionation magic of the *Thunderbirds*, the sci-fi genre is known for introducing us to some of the most original and memorable characters ever seen on screen. To mark the BFI's **SCI-FI: DAYS OF FEAR AND WONDER** blockbuster project, presented together with **02**, we are on the hunt for the nation's favourite sci-fi characters. Spanning the worlds of both film and television this face-off puts the power in your hands and offers you the chance to see your favourite character named the **Greatest Sci-Fi Character of All Time**.

Casting your vote could not be easier. Simply head over to http://www.bfi.org.uk/sci-fi/greatest-sci-fi-characters-all-time and choose your top three sci-fi characters and top three sci-fi films or TV shows to ensure they make the shortlist. The shortlist will be announced later this month, marking the final countdown to SCI-FI: DAYS OF FEAR AND WONDER, a project that will bring forth the largest collection of sci-fi film and television ever presented in the UK, including the release of classic Sci-Fi titles into UK cinemas and on DVD and Blu-ray, over fifty films being made available online through BFI Player and a season of sci-fi film and events held at the BFI Southbank and over 200 venues across the UK

Cruising steadily at warp speed with our phasers set to stun, help us crown a victor in this ultimate scifi showdown... you're our only hope.

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- Connecting audiences to the widest choice of British and World cinema
- Preserving and restoring the most significant film collection in the world for today and future
- Championing emerging and world class film makers in the UK
- Investing in creative, distinctive and entertaining work
- Promoting British film and talent to the world
- Growing the next generation of film makers and audiences generations

SCI-FI: DAYS OF FEAR AND WONDER will be the BFI's biggest season to date, with over 1000 screenings of classic films and television programmes at over 200 locations across the UK. It includes a three-month programme at BFI Southbank, from 20 October until 31 December 2014, with special events, guests and screenings right across the UK. With outdoor events at iconic British sites, classic Sci-Fi titles released into UK cinemas and on DVD and Blu-ray, 50+ films available online through BFI Player, a BFI Sci-Fi Compendium and much more, SCI-FI: DAYS OF FEAR AND WONDER, presented together with 02, will celebrate cinema's most spectacular and visionary genre, exploring how the fear and wonder at its heart continues to inspire and enthral in one of the largest and most ambitious Sci-Fi projects ever created.

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