

WESTPORT COUNTRY PLAYHOUSE

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Westport Country Playhouse's Classic Film Series Presents "The Sting," Starring Robert Redford and Paul Newman, on August 18

Westport Country Playhouse's classic film series will present the Oscar-winning movie, "The Sting," starring Robert Redford and Paul Newman, and directed by George Roy Hill, on Monday, August 18, at 7 p.m. The film reunites "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" director Hill with actors Redford and Newman. The cast also features Robert Shaw, Charles Durning, Ray Walston, and Eileen Brennan. The screening coincides with Redford's 89th birthday.

"The Sting," released in 1973, is a classic caper film set in 1936 Chicago. Johnny Hooker (Robert Redford), a small-time grifter, teams up with seasoned con artist Henry Gondorff (Paul Newman) to avenge the murder of Hooker's partner by mob boss Doyle Lonnegan (Robert Shaw). Together, they orchestrate an elaborate "long con" to swindle Lonnegan out of a fortune. The film is renowned for its intricate plot, charismatic performances, and a memorable ragtime-inspired soundtrack by Marvin Hamlisch. "The Sting" won seven Academy Awards, including Best Picture, and remains a quintessential example of the genre.

Running time is 129 minutes; rated PG.

The Playhouse's celebration of timeless films will continue with "Alfred Hitchcock's "Psycho," featuring Anthony Perkins and Janet Leigh, on Friday, October 10 at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 each; \$10 each for three or more films. General admission; seating unreserved.

For full details, visit: <https://www.westportplayhouse.org/show/the-sting/>

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A complete schedule of Playhouse events is available at westportplayhouse.org. All play titles, artists, song selections, dates, and times are subject to change.

For Westport Country Playhouse information and tickets, visit westportplayhouse.org or call the box office at (203) 227-4177, toll-free at 1-888-927-7529. Stay connected to the Playhouse on Facebook (Westport Country Playhouse), Instagram (wcplayhouse), and YouTube (WestportPlayhouse). Westport Country Playhouse is located at 25 Powers Court, off Route 1, Westport.

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