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## **Cinema's First Out Gay Superhero @ Florida Supercon July 29th** ***"Surge of Power: Revenge of the Sequel"***

**San Diego, California** – June 12, 2017. Surge of Power Enterprises is proud to announce the next screening of the long-anticipated sequel to the groundbreaking, lighthearted superhero movie **"Surge of Power: The Stuff of Heroes."** **"Surge of Power: Revenge of the Sequel"** will screen on Saturday, July 29th in Fort Lauderdale at the Florida Supercon! Critics call the sequel "A leap forward for superhero films," "a positive role model in the LGBTQ community," and "a film everyone can enjoy." Writer/Producer/Lead Actor, Vincent J. Roth along with stars Linda Blair and Shannon Farnon and other cast and crew members will be greeting fans.

With over 50 stars, **"Surge of Power: Revenge of the Sequel"** is jam-packed with Hollywood talent. In addition to Eric Roberts, who played The Master in *Doctor Who*, the film includes notable superhero and sci-fi actors such as Nichelle Nichols, who played Lt. Uhura in the original *Star Trek*, Linda Blair, who played Regan MacNeil in *The Exorcist*, Gil Gerard who played Buck Rogers in *Buck Rogers in the 25<sup>th</sup> Century*, Robert Picardo, who played The Doctor in *Star Trek: Voyager*, and dozens of other quickly recognizable celebrities who have been the backbone of the superhero genre.

The eighth screening of the **Surge of Power** sequel will take place on Saturday, **July 29th from 1:30PM-3:15PM** as a featured event at the Florida Supercon held at The Fort Lauderdale Convention Center, 1950 Eisenhower Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316. <http://floridasupercon.com/>. The movie has been revised based on feedback from test screening audiences and the first seven screening audiences, so this showing in Florida will be the **World Premiere** of the sequel in its final form!

The movie's producer, Vincent J. Roth, describes the movie as fun entertainment with a clear message. "As a filmmaker, I am compelled to present our genuinely groundbreaking characters and the fun world we created to a mainstream audience." The movie's inspirational tagline, **"Make a Difference Where You Can"** is the moral of the story, but to get there, a lot of evil and skullduggery has to be dealt with heroically and humorously!

In the sequel, Surge's nemesis, Metal Master, struggles with his estranged parents (Linda Blair and Gil Gerard) and is tempted to continue a life of crime by Augur (Eric Roberts), arch enemy of Omen (Star Trek's Nichelle Nichols and Robert Picardo), who sends Metal Master to Las Vegas for mysterious crystals. Surge pursues in his high-tech car, the Surgemobile (Bruce Vilanch and Shannon Farnon) battling on the Hoover Dam. This leads to a confrontation between Augur and Omen back in Big City, which alerts The Council, a supervillain community. Laugh at zany antics, enjoy familiar celebrities, and learn how intolerance can make you evil!

Despite recent marketing about the *Power Rangers* movie introducing cinema's first out gay superhero, "**Surge of Power: The Stuff of Heroes**," predates *Power Rangers* by over a decade, having screened in 2004 and was released in 2006 in theaters, DVD, NetFlix and other venues. Trini, the Yellow Power Ranger, when asked if she has "boyfriend troubles" or "girlfriend troubles," responds that she doesn't like "labels." If Trini is gay, she is not "out." Surge, the superhero in the **Surge of Power** movies, is clearly out and proud, fighting intolerance and hate crimes.

The first movie, "**Surge of Power: The Stuff of Heroes**," also a comedy, spoofing the superhero genre, generated its own modest cult following and features 20 celebrity appearances, including Nichelle Nichols from *Star Trek*, Lou Ferrigno from *The Incredible Hulk* and the late Noel Neill who played the original Lois Lane in the *Adventures of Superman*, among others. Critics called the original "fun and campy," "unique and daring," and "a lighthearted and fun movie filled with double entendres and hilarious scenes."

"**Surge of Power: The Stuff of Heroes**" is available for immediate viewing through the website [www.surgeofpower.org](http://www.surgeofpower.org) while "**Surge of Power: Revenge of the Sequel**" is exhibiting at film festivals and conventions around the world. Sequel star Shannon Farnon, Wonder Woman from *Super Friends!*, says, "I have no doubt this will be one of the most talked about independent films of the year. Even the title brings laughter. And I know the world is ready for a gay superhero."

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### About Surge of Power Enterprises

Based in San Diego, SOPE is an independent film and video production company creating low-budget SAG entertainment productions in the superhero genre with a humorous flair and lots of celebrity cameos.



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