



David Lynch, 'Twin Peaks' Icon, Passes Away

Description

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Renowned filmmaker David Lynch, celebrated for his haunting and surreal storytelling in films like "Blue Velvet" and "Mulholland Drive," as well as the iconic TV series "Twin Peaks," has passed away just days shy of his 79th birthday.

His family shared the news of his death through a heartfelt Facebook post on Thursday. While the cause and location of his passing were not disclosed, Lynch had openly discussed his struggle with emphysema.

"We would appreciate some privacy during this difficult time. The world feels emptier without him. But in his words, 'Keep your eye on the donut and not on the hole,'" the post expressed. "Today is filled with beautiful sunshine and clear blue skies."

Last summer, Lynch had revealed to Sight and Sound that his emphysema had confined him to his home, as he feared contracting illnesses such as the coronavirus or even a common cold.

"Due to years of smoking, I have emphysema, which means I am homebound whether I like it or not," Lynch remarked, indicating he did not envisage creating another film. "If necessary, I would attempt to work remotely, though I wouldn't enjoy it much."

Lynch, who originally pursued painting, emerged in the 1970s with the surreal film "Eraserhead." His remarkable works, including "Mulholland Drive" and the enigmatic "Twin Peaks"—which garnered multiple awards including three Golden Globes—continue to inspire audiences and peers alike.

Steven Spielberg described him as "a singular, visionary dreamer," noting Lynch's influence and creativity. Despite never clinching a competitive Academy Award, Lynch received nominations for key works and an honorary Oscar in 2019 for his lifetime contributions to cinema.

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Vocabulary List:

1. **Renowned** /rɪ'naʊnd/ (adjective): Known or talked about by many people; famous.
2. **Struggle** /'strʌgl/ (verb): Make forceful or violent efforts to get free of restraint or constriction.
3. **Empathize** /'ɛmpə,θaɪz/ (verb): Understand and share the feelings of another.
4. **Confinement** /kən'fainmənt/ (noun): The state of being restricted or limited.
5. **Visionary** /'vɪʒə,nəri/ (adjective): Thinking about or planning the future with imagination or wisdom.
6. **Iconic** /aɪ'kɒnɪk/ (adjective): Widely recognized and well-established.

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. Which term describes an individual with innovative and forward-thinking ideas?

Option: devastating
Option: visionary
Option: frustration
Option: acknowledged

2. Which word means widely recognized and regarded as a symbol of something?

Option: intensified
Option: iconic
Option: emotional
Option: speculation

3. Which term refers to something eagerly awaited or expected?

Option: devastated
Option: empathize
Option: anticipated
Option: evacuation

4. Which word describes false or incorrect statements?

Option: settlement
Option: misstatements
Option: complicated
Option: compensating

5. Which term is used to represent a disastrous event or serious misfortune?

Option: devastating
Option: settlement
Option: tragedy
Option: postponed

6. Which word means recognized and accepted?

Option: acknowledged
Option: accuser
Option: disclosure
Option: allegations

7. Which term describes the feeling of being upset or annoyed?

Option: renowned
Option: engulfed
Option: frustration
Option: settlement

8. Which word refers to something that is complex or difficult to understand?

Option: complicated
Option: controversial
Option: devastating
Option: iconic

9. Which term means causing great harm damage or emotional distress?

Option: residence
Option: engulfed
Option: devastating
Option: misstatements

10. Which word can mean a formal agreement or resolution of a dispute?

Option: intensified
Option: settlement
Option: renowned
Option: postponed

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. The _____ of the area was necessary due to the impending disaster.

12. The flames quickly _____ the entire building.

13. The event was _____ until further notice.

14. The luxurious _____ overlooked the ocean.

15. The company offered _____ benefits to employees affected by the restructuring.

16. The _____ claimed that the allegations were false.

17. The lawyer advised against the _____ of confidential information.

18. The conflict _____ after the new policies were implemented.

19. The media was filled with _____ about the reasons behind the CEO's sudden resignation.

20. The politician's speech was riddled with _____ that were quickly fact-checked.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The prisoner spent years in isolated from the outside world.
22. The effects of the hurricane were leaving many without homes.
23. The family was by the sudden loss of their loved one.
24. The business had to face a constant to stay afloat in a competitive market.
25. The movie's ending was so that it brought many to tears.
26. The long- movie premiere attracted fans from around the world.
27. Her contributions to the field were widely by her peers.
28. The public was quick to point out the politician's during the debate.
29. The artist is for his groundbreaking work in modern art.
30. The instructions for assembling the furniture were so that it took hours to complete.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. visionary 2. iconic 3. anticipated 4. misstatements 5. tragedy 6. acknowledged 7. frustration 8. complicated 9. devastating 10. settlement

Gap-Fill: 11. evacuation 12. engulfed 13. postponed 14. residence 15. compensating 16. accuser 17. disclosure 18. intensified 19. speculation 20. misstatements

Matching sentence: 1. confinement 2. catastrophic 3. devastated 4. struggle 5. emotional 6. anticipated 7. acknowledged 8. misstatements 9. renowned 10. complicated

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