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**Keeping *The Invisible Man* visible:  
*The Invisible Man* to have fan presence at Galaxy Con**

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A rousing return to the world of science fiction conventions at San Diego's Comic Con this past July signals a drive to make *The Invisible Man* visible again. Hosting a table at this year's Galaxy Con, November 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> in Beltsville, Maryland, fans will man a table featuring *The Invisible Man*.

A science fiction convention that embraces all media, Galaxy Con boasts dealer booths, fan tables, panel discussions and scheduled guest stars from science fiction films and television series spanning the decades from Star Trek to the present.

Among the tables this year will be a promotional booth featuring *The Invisible Man*. Manned by enthusiastic Imaniacs, the unofficial fan club of the Invisible Man, and sponsored by the new marketing arm of the fan-led campaign to return I-Man to the air, Invisible Man Marketing & Promotion will supply the con-goers with all manner of free fan-created collectibles, as well as sponsor several drawings for I-man-related prizes, including a region-free DVD player and the complete season 1 DVD release of *The Invisible Man*, Region 2 UK edition donated by dedicated fan supporter, Invisible Ballerina.

The return of *The Invisible Man* to science fiction conventions is the first stage of a concerted fan campaign to generate interest and word of mouth in this quirky, unusual and humorous show. IMMP will be sponsoring fan tables at conventions throughout the country in the upcoming year, capped off with an anticipated return to the San Diego Comic Con in July of 2005. An ongoing postcard mailing campaign was kicked off at San Diego, targeting NBC Universal executives, as well as the heads of several networks that have expressed an interest in the series, aimed at reminding them the fans are still here, and still awaiting the return of *The Invisible Man*.

IMMP invites you to visit *The Invisible Man* fan booth at Galaxy Con and sign the petitions for a release of region 1 DVDs as well as the request for a feature film. We look forward to seeing you there.

*About The Invisible Man*

*The Invisible Man* -- one of the SciFi Channel's top 3 original series and consistently one of the top 10 genre shows in syndication -- premiered to critical acclaim in June 2000. With a fresh, hip retro style and sly, witty tone, this show is utterly unlike anything else on TV today. The characters are beautifully flawed and human and the sci fi conceit never gets in the way of the wonderful banter and chemistry this top-notch cast and crew created each week. For two seasons the fans have been treated to a roller-coaster ride of plot twists, clever dialogue, comedy, drama, and unpredictable plot lines.

The chemistry between the two lead actors, Vincent Ventresca and Paul Ben-Victor, has garnered numerous accolades and the show has drawn critical acclaim, including several Saturn Award nominations for both its seasons and a best ensemble award from *TV Zone* magazine. Additionally, numerous episodes were included on The Futon Critic's list of the Top 50 Episodes of 2001 and 2002, and the show swept numerous categories in the fan-based voting for the 2002 Roswell Awards.

Created by talented Matt Greenberg (*Reign of Fire*), the show has also created quite a buzz in the creative community, attracting such luminaries as: Armin Shimerman (*Star Trek: Deep Space Nine*, *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*), Craig Silverstein (*creative consultant, producer, The Dead Zone*), George Huang (director of *Swimming with Sharks*), Greg Yaitanes (*director of episodes of Las Vegas, Cold Case*), Justine Miceli (*NYPD Blue*), Joel Bissonette (*Boulevard, Fight Club*), David Burke (*Joan of Arcadia*), Michael Welch (*Joan of Arcadia, Star Trek: Insurrection*) and Adam Storke (*Mystic Pizza, Prey*).

*The Invisible Man* was abruptly cancelled after negotiations fell through for not one, but two more seasons in late September 2001. Yet the series' popularity remains high, with a large, international fan base that is still growing. In fact, a chat with the series' two stars had to be cancelled when a record number of fans tried to log on to SciFi.com, accidentally overloading and crashing the server.

I-Maniacs, members of the show's unofficial fan club, are currently spearheading a massive write-in campaign to get *The Invisible Man* picked up by another network, or repackaged as a feature film. Efforts to date have included a mass mailing to various networks; one online petition that closed as of December 7, 2001, with close to 4000 signatures; and ads in the New York and Los Angeles editions of *Daily Variety*. A new online petition can be found at [www.petitiononline.com/imans3/petition.html](http://www.petitiononline.com/imans3/petition.html) and has already garnered over 5000 signatures, bringing the total number of signatures to over 9000.

By popular demand, *The Invisible Man* was also added to [www.savethatshow.com](http://www.savethatshow.com), an online site dedicated to helping fans voice their support of cancelled or threatened shows, where it has jumped to Number Three on the list of Top Five Vote Leaders with over 20,000 supporting responses, 98 percent of which say the show is "perfect."

For more information on *The Invisible Man*, the Virtual Season, or the campaign to renew the show, please visit [www.invisiblemanmarketingandpromotion.com](http://www.invisiblemanmarketingandpromotion.com) For in-person contacts, please call:

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*URLs for your reference:*

Message boards:

I-Maniacs.org: [pub63.ezboard.com/bImaniacs](http://pub63.ezboard.com/bImaniacs)

Perseusproject.com: [www.perseusproject.com/MB/mb.html](http://www.perseusproject.com/MB/mb.html)

Official SciFi board: [www.scifi.com/invisibleman](http://www.scifi.com/invisibleman)

Sites devoted to the show and campaigning for season three:

Operation: Visible Ink: <http://visible-ink.net>

I-Maniacs Fan Club: [www.Imaniacs.org](http://www.Imaniacs.org)

perseusproject.com: [www.perseusproject.com/FAQ/Dispatch\\_Index/I-ManPassion/i-manpassion.html](http://www.perseusproject.com/FAQ/Dispatch_Index/I-ManPassion/i-manpassion.html)  
and [http://www.perseusproject.com/Standing\\_Ovation/standing\\_ovation.html](http://www.perseusproject.com/Standing_Ovation/standing_ovation.html)

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