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VIEW CONFERENCE announces 2020's Premier **PreVIEW** online session:

**“THE MANDALORIAN” Animation Director HAL HICKEL of Industrial Light & Magic in conversation with Ian Failes, editor of the Before and Afters website.**

**VIEW CONFERENCE** 2020 kicks off its 21<sup>st</sup> season with a special, FREE, online session. In this PreVIEW session, VFX journalist Ian Failes will talk with Academy Award winning animation director Hal Hickel about Disney+'s breakthrough and immensely popular television series “The Mandalorian.” For this series, ILM developed new virtual production technology that made it possible for artists to create feature-film quality animation and visual effects under broadcast television constraints. The exciting new methods they developed will give filmmakers working on feature films as well as television series unprecedented opportunities.

Hal Hickel oversaw all the animation for the creatures, vehicles, and characters in ‘The Mandalorian’ and played a key role in visualizing ILM’s miniature/motion-control shots featured in the show. He has received an Academy Award for *Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest*, is a three-time Oscar nominee, and was the animation director for *Rango*, which received an Oscar for Best Animated Feature.

To join the free session, use this link:

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The Mandalorian PreVIEW is organized by VIEW Conference in collaboration with OGR, Before and Afters, and Industrial Light & Magic.

The international VIEW Conference, Italy's premiere event for Computer Graphics, Interactive and Immersive Storytelling, Animation, Visual Effects, Games, and VR, AR, and Mixed Reality, brings top professionals from those fields to the beautiful baroque city of Torino, Italy for a week of talks, presentations, and workshops.

The 2020 VIEW Conference will take place from October 18 to 23 in Torino's state-of-the-art OGR venue and virtually. **Registration is now open.** Please join us!

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The banner features a background image of Yoda from Star Wars at the top and a Mandalorian character from Star Wars at the bottom. A circular portrait of Hal Hickel is positioned on the right side. Text boxes provide details about the event, including the date and time.

**Hal Hickel**  
Animation  
Director, ILM

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**The Mandalorian:**  
ILM's Hal Hickel  
in virtual conversation  
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