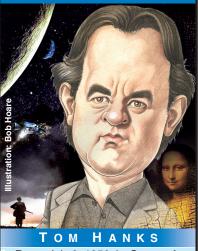
Hanks turns 50



Born: July 9, 1956, in *Concord*, *California*

- ▶ 1984: Makes movie breakthrough in *Splash*, directed by *Ron Howard*,
- which grosses more than \$100m

 1993-94: Wins back-to-back
 Oscars for *Philadelphia* and *Forrest*

Spencer Tracy in 1937-38

2002: Youngest ever recipient of American Film Institute's Life Achievement Award

Gump - first actor to do so since

- ≥ 2005: Voted vice-president of Academy of Motion Picture Arts
- and Sciences

 2006: Latest film, The Da Vinci

Code, opens Cannes Film Festival. Despite negative reviews, film has grossed over \$700 million worldwide