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# FIRSTWORD

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## When it's time to kick back and relax

With school back in session, it's easy to get caught up in preparations and never-ending homework — that's why it's important to unwind and recharge with a dose of entertainment. And at Grand Cinemas, you can count on it. Stay tuned to our social media pages to find out about upcoming events, and take advantage of the G-POINTS Loyalty Card to access special offers and earn fantastic rewards. This issue in GRAND MOMENTS, find out about the spectacular premiere attended by French movie star Josephine Japy, among many other surprises.

In our SPOTLIGHT feature, we talk to Johnny Depp about his comedy drama *Richard Says Goodbye*, while 5 HOT FACTS rounds up the most exciting tidbits about *Domino*, starring Nikolaj Coster-Waldau. With FAMILY FIESTA you're all set for the perfect outing: discover seven amazing stats about *Shaun the Sheep: Farmageddon*, get ready to party with Big Sean and Snoop Dogg in *Trouble*, and check out Angelina Jolie's comeback in *Maleficent: Mistress of Evil*. Need more adult content? SEASON PREVIEW is your one-stop guide. Don't miss the intense thrills of *The Corrupted*, *Ad Astra* and *It Chapter Two*, the high-octane action of *Terminator: Dark Fate* and *Gemini Man*, romance on the dance floor in *High Strung*, and the French charm of *Facteur Cheval* and *Venise n'est pas en Italie*. We also have a chat with the cast of the brilliant new Lebanese movie *Yerbo bi Ezzkon*.

We have plenty more in the pipeline, including historical epics *Midway* and *Radioactive*. Mark your calendars with SAVE THE DATE. See you at the movies!

ANITA NASR EDITOR



# GRANDMAGAZINE

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Learn all about the star-studded premieres and events happening at Grand, and join us next time! Featured this issue: Josephine Japy attends the launch of *Mon Inconnue*.

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### 46 5 HOT FACTS

Charming *Game of Thrones* star Nikolaj Coster-Waldau leads the action thriller *Domino*, and we've round up the top five reasons you don't want to miss it.

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## Josephine Japy shines at Mon Inconnue premiere

**FRENCH STAR WINS THE HEARTS OF GRAND CINEMAS PATRONS**

Under the patronage of the French Ambassador in Lebanon H.E Bruno Foucher and the support of Centre Culturel Francais and Unifrance, SR&Co and Grand Cinemas launched French movie *Mon Inconnue* in a lavish red carpet premiere at Grand ABC Achrafieh in attendance of the film's lead actress, Josephine Japy, in a special engagement for the event. During a press junket earlier in the day, the French star expressed her fondness for Lebanon and the local culture, and was thrilled to have spent two days sightseeing and experiencing the Mediterranean summer's delight.

We at Grand Cinemas send our warmest thanks and gratitude to l'Institut Francais au Liban (namely

## MUST-SEE ROMANCE

Due to popular demand by film fans, *Mon Inconnue* continues to play at Grand, starring Joséphine Japy and François Civil.



Cynthia Kanaan) and Unifrance, and an "au revoir" to the charming Josephine Japy. Until we meet again!





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GRAND PREMIERE

# Bala Hayba kicks off with star-studded event

**M**ovie premieres tend to be exciting affairs. Film fans experience the unique thrill of rubbing shoulders with celebrities and being the first to attend a newly released feature; industry reps enjoy a gathering of their peers; and stars get the chance to celebrate each others' accomplishments and share their latest with the media. The evening of August 5th was no different when the cast and crew of *Bala Hayba* congregated at Grand Cinemas ABC Verdun for the laughter-filled launch. The new Lebanese comedy puts a spin on the popular series with a hilarious parody.



PHOTO CAPTION

Bala Hayba stars Abbas Jaafar and Stephanie Atala share a celebratory moment on the red carpet.







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**GRANDLAUNCH**

# Artist Aline Lahoud reveals new Shayalo clip

**M**usical artists converged at Grand Cinemas ABC Achrafieh for the launch of Aline Lahoud's brilliant new video clip for her single "Shayalo", an event attended by the media and industry.



**PHOTO CAPTION** (above) Singer Aline Lahoud celebrates the release of her video clip with her uncle Romeo Lahoud and her father Nahi Lahoud; (below left) Aline Lahoud with Imad Feghaly, Mirna Mkarzel, Dory Samarani, Chady Richa and May Matar; (below right) Ziad Sahhab with his wife and friends attend the launch



## SENSORY FRIENDLY SCREENINGS

Grand Cinemas' sensory-friendly screenings offer children with autism and those with special needs the chance to be entertained in a carefully tailored environment, with adequate lighting and reduced volume throughout the show. All profits are pledged to the autism program at SESOBEL.

### WHEN

Last Saturday of each month

### WHERE

Grand Cinemas ABC Dbayeh



**GRANDPREMIERE**

# Royal kick-off for The Queen's Corgi

Our youngest patrons enjoyed activity-packed fun fit for a king with their parents at the July 27th Grand Cinemas ABC Dbayeh premiere of the animated film *The Queen's Corgi*, sponsored by Spinneys and Beiruting Kids. Stay tuned to our social media pages for more events!



*Long live Rex!*



The background of the poster is a dramatic sky filled with thick, dark smoke and fire, suggesting a large-scale battle. In the lower foreground, a pilot in a flight suit and goggles is perched on the wing of a biplane. Another pilot is visible in the cockpit of the same plane. In the distance, several other biplanes are flying. The overall tone is epic and action-packed.

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF  
INDEPENDENCE DAY AND THE PATRIOT

# MIDWAY

ONE BATTLE TURNED THE TIDE OF WAR

NOVEMBER 8



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# SHAUN THE SHEEP MOVIE 2

It's close encounters of the herd kind in Shaun's new out of this world movie

**S**trange lights over the quiet town of Mossingham herald the arrival of a mystery visitor from far across the galaxy... but at nearby Mossy Bottom Farm, Shaun has other things on his mind, as his mischievous schemes are continually thwarted by an exasperated Bitzer.

When an impish and adorable alien with amazing powers crash-lands near Mossy Bottom Farm, Shaun (Justin Fletcher) soon sees an opportunity for alien-powered fun and adventure, setting off on a mission to shepherd the intergalactic visitor home before a sinister organisation can capture her...can Shaun and the flock avert Farmageddon on Mossy Bottom Farm before it's too late? Hold on to your seats as we blast off on an exciting and heart-warming sci-fi comedy adventure that takes us from Mossy Bottom all the way into deep space, via a car wash!

**IN CINEMAS OCTOBER 3** DIRECTORS WILL BECHER, RICHARD PHELAN  
**STARRING** JUSTIN FLETCHER, JOHN SPARKES, KATE HARBOUR **GENRE**  
COMEDY ADVENTURE **86 MINS**



# 7 amazing stats

1



Despite having first appeared in Nick Park's Wallace & Gromit **1995** classic *A Close Shave*, Shaun the Sheep, somehow, is still just in his early teens (in sheep years)

2



Farmageddon needed Shaun's biggest sets ever – up to **70** of them, in fact, with up to **35** units shooting on them at any one time

3



No less than **28** animators were tasked with bringing Shaun and his new friend, the magical alien called Lu-La, to life

4



On average, just **two seconds** of animation is produced, per animator, per day. A Shaun movie takes more than **three years**

5



A typical Shaun the Sheep puppet is **17cm** tall and weighs **100g**. He also has over **5 million** Facebook fans

6



To record the score, at London's iconic Abbey Road, composer Tom Howe enlisted an orchestra of more than **100**

7



To date, Shaun has shot **150** episodes of his TV show, **1** TV special and, now, **two** feature-length movies

tune in!

Farmageddon features four new tracks that were written for the film by the industry's hottest acts.



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WHICH ONE IS THE ODD ONE OUT?

COSMIC  
GAZE



1



2



3



GALACTIC  
MAZE



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WHO WILL BE THE  
FIRST TO FIND SHAUN  
AND **U-U-I-I**?

STELLAR  
CHASE



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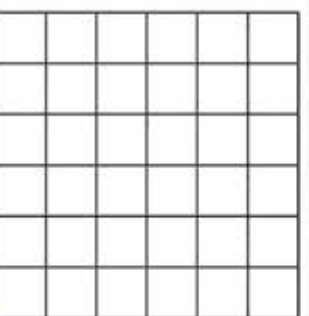
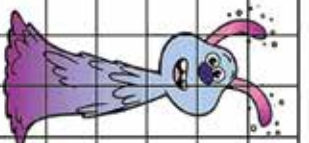
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A Shaun the Sheep Movie  
**FARMAGEDDON**

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**T**rouble has always lived a lavish life, playing in a large mansion, eating filet mignon and sleeping on the finest linens. But after his wealthy owner passes away, Trouble finds himself lost and a fish out of water in this scary new world. Meanwhile, the greedy relatives of his late owner hire an animal tracker to find Trouble after learning he is actually the key to the inheritance. As Trouble stays one step ahead of the tracker, his journey will lead him to meet Rousey, a tough street dog, and Zoe, an 18-year-old struggling musician, who help him discover that what matters most is not what you have, but who you have.

**IN CINEMAS AUGUST 29** DIRECTOR KEVIN JOHNSON ALSO STARRING BETTY WHITE  
GENRE COMEDY ADVENTURE 87 MINS



**BIG SEAN ANDERSON** TROUBLE



**LUCY HALE** ZOE



**WILMER VALDERRAMA** ROUSEY



Don't miss appearances by Snoop Dogg, 'Dog Whisperer' Cesar Millan and Jason Mraz.



## THE BIG TRIP

When a stork mistakenly delivers a baby panda to the wrong door, a bear, a moose, a tiger and a rabbit set out on an adventure to return the panda to its rightful home.



## RED SHOES & THE SEVEN DWARFS

Princes who have been bewitched into Dwarfs seek the red shoes of a lady in order to break the spell. Chloë Grace Moretz leads the cast in this parody with a twist.



## MALEFICENT: MISTRESS OF EVIL

**A**ngelina Jolie and Elle Fanning return in the next chapter, picking up several years after the events of *Maleficent* where we learned what hardened the heart of Disney's most notorious horned villain. This time, we explore the relationship between Maleficent and Aurora as they face strong adversaries in their struggle to protect the moors and the magical creatures held within.

**IN CINEMAS OCTOBER 17** DIRECTOR JOACHIM RÖNNING **CAST** ANGELINA JOLIE, ELLE FANNING, MICHELLE PFEIFFER, CHIWETEL EJIOFOR **GENRE** ADVENTURE

## PLAYMOBIL: THE MOVIE

**A** top secret organisation has caused citizens from different lands to vanish into thin air. The charismatic secret agent Rex Dasher (Daniel Radcliffe) must partner with a smooth-talking food truck driver and a smart, savvy civilian with her own secret agenda (Anya Taylor-Joy) to rescue them.

**IN CINEMAS SEPTEMBER 5** DIRECTOR LINO DISALVO **CAST** DANIEL RADCLIFFE, ANYA TAYLOR-JOY **GENRE** COMEDY ADVENTURE



## OMAR WA BISAT EL REEH

**H**odja, a boy from Pjort, borrows a flying carpet to see the world. In return he must complete a mission: to find and return Diamond to her grandfather. Wait til he meets Diamond.

**IN CINEMAS OCTOBER 18** DIRECTOR KARSTEN KIILERICH **GENRE** COMEDY ADVENTURE **81 MINS**



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## THE ADDAMS FAMILY

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**IN CINEMAS OCTOBER 17** **DIRECTOR** CONRAD VERNON, GREG TIERNAN **CAST** OSCAR ISAAC, CHARLIZE THERON, CHLOÉ GRACE MORETZ, FINN WOLFHARD, NICK KROLL, SNOOP DOGG, BETTE MIDLER, ALLISON JANNEY. **MARTIN SHORT** **GENRE** COMEDY ADVENTURE

## ABOMINABLE

**W**hen teenage Yi encounters a young Yeti on the roof of her apartment building in Shanghai, she and her mischievous friends name him "Everest" and embark on an epic quest to reunite the magical creature with his family at the highest point on Earth. They must stay one step ahead of a zoologist and a wealthy man intent on capturing a Yeti.

**IN CINEMAS SEPTEMBER 26** **DIRECTOR** JILL CULTON **CAST** CHLOE BENNET, TENZING NORGAY TRAINOR **GENRE** ADVENTURE



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FROZEN II

Anna, Elsa, Kristoff and Olaf reunite, travelling far to solve an ancient mystery of their kingdom. **NOV 21**



SPIES IN DISGUISE

A super spy (Will Smith) and a scientist (Tom Holland) team up to save the world in a globe-trotting adventure. **DEC 26**



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JOHNNY DEPP TAKES US INTO THE MIND OF A PROFESSOR BATTLING THE END IN A MOVING COMEDY

# Richard Says Goodbye

IN CINEMAS OCTOBER 31

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hen Richard, a world-weary professor, is given a life-changing diagnosis he decides to throw all pretense and con-

ventions to the wind and live his life as boldly and freely as possible. With a biting sense of humour, a reckless streak and a touch of madness, he binges through every vice — drinking, smoking, sex and hurling blunt insults at anyone who annoys him, giving him more pleasure than he's had in years. His rollicking journey and bravura assault on the status quo as he runs out the clock leads him to come to terms with the truth and embrace the people he loves for a final hurrah.

Johnny Depp makes a whirlwind return to exceptional comedy in a hilarious and devastating tale about how one man decides to live life to the fullest at the very moment he's faced with the end of his journey. **GRAND** goes behind the scenes to pick his brain.

**In the film, a professor learns a hard lesson about accepting one's own mortality. What lessons do you hope audiences will take away from his journey?**

**JD:** Fight, stay alive, be alive even if you're dying. Live while you can live. Appreciate it, celebrate it. And when that knock on the door comes, fight it like a bastard. Forget about feeling sorry for yourself and never allow yourself to fall prey to the number one killer in the world, fear. We have become a culture of fear and if I can try and steer anyone out of that trap, that arena of fear, and literally just say, "F\*\*\* it, I'm living. Even if I'm dying, I'm living."

**How would you describe Richard and Veronica's relationship? Had they simply fallen out of love?**

**JD:** I don't think it's that people fall out of love, I think that when the fire is gone you're dead in the water. You







don't realise how quickly it happens, it's a bird song. It's very easy to go to sleep when you are 19 and wake up and you're 49 and you go, "Hold on, what's going on? Am I miserable or am I happy or am I just here?"

**What was it like working with writer/director Wayne Roberts?**

**JD:** The beauty of Wayne is his abilities, his talent, his vision and his very special, super-intriguing way of looking at things. I love the guy because he wrote a screenplay about a man dying of cancer saying goodbye to all his loved ones without a stitch of sentimentality, without a stitch of anything that was manipulative or easy for the audience. He wrote it with respect for the audience's ability to think, to put themselves in that situation for the duration of the film. We worked very hard together, making sure what we were doing was consistent and not condescending in any way for the person who would be going through what Richard goes through and for the people watching it.

**What was it that initially attracted you to the script?**

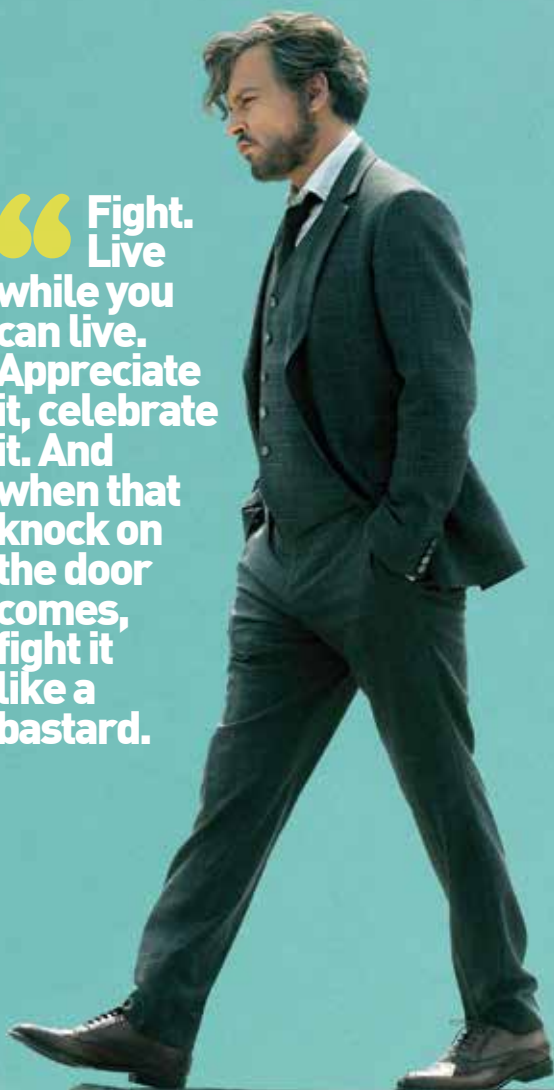
**JD:** Wayne wrote a screenplay that, somehow, when you are dealing with the idea of a man who's teetering on impending doom and you know it in the first 30 seconds of the film, you've managed to circumnavigate these obstacles without sentimentality. The idea of formula is, "How do we affect these people, how do we make them cry?" It was not done that way at all, and that's what I loved about it.

**Danny Huston plays Richard's best friend. Did you hit it off from the start?**

**JD:** Danny Huston is one of my favourite human beings now and certainly one of my favourite actors.

**DIRECTOR** WAYNE ROBERTS **CAST** JOHNNY DEPP, ROSEMARIE DEWITT, DANNY HUSTON, ZOËY DEUTCH, GUESSE YOUNG **GENRE** COMEDY DRAMA **90 MINS**

**“Fight. Live while you can live. Appreciate it, celebrate it. And when that knock on the door comes, fight it like a bastard.”**



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## THE CORRUPTED

**DIRECTOR** RON SCALPELLO **CAST** SAM  
CLAFLIN, TIMOTHY SPALL, HUGH BONNEVILLE  
**GENRE** CRIME THRILLER **COMING SOON**

**S**et ahead of the 2012 London Olympics, the crime thriller follows Liam (Sam Claflin), an ex-con trying to win back the love and trust of his family. He has lost everything at the hands of a local crime syndicate run by Clifford Cullen (Timothy Spall), who has high-level connections in politics, finance and the police force. Liam's drive for redemption sees him caught up in a web of conspiracy, crime and corruption.







#### » CUT TO THE CHASE

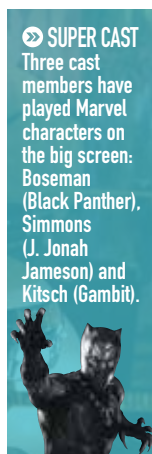
This is the first film in which Rambo gets those famous locks trimmed.

## RAMBO: LAST BLOOD

**DIRECTOR** ADRIAN GRUNBERG **CAST** SYLVESTER STALLONE, PAZ VEGA **GENRE** ACTION THRILLER **OUT SEP 19**

**A**lmost four decades after he drew first blood, Sylvester Stallone is back

as one of the greatest action heroes of all time, John Rambo. Now, Rambo must confront his past and unearth his ruthless combat skills to exact revenge in a final mission. A deadly journey of vengeance, co-starring Paz Vega, *Rambo: Last Blood* marks the last chapter of the legendary series.



#### » SUPER CAST

Three cast members have played Marvel characters on the big screen: Boseman (Black Panther), Simmons (J. Jonah Jameson) and Kitsch (Gambit).



## 21 BRIDGES

**DIRECTOR** BRIAN KIRK **CAST** CHADWICK BOSEMAN, SIENNA MILLER, TAYLOR KITSCH, J.K. SIMMONS **GENRE** CRIME **OUT SEP 26**

**A**n embattled NYPD detective is thrust into a city-wide manhunt for a pair of cop killers after uncovering a mas-

sive conspiracy. As the night unfolds, lines become blurred on who he is pursuing, and who is in pursuit of him. When the search intensifies, extreme measures are taken to prevent the killers from escaping Manhattan as the authorities close all 21 bridges to prevent any entry or exit from the iconic island.

## BATTLE OF WILLS



### THE INFORMANT

**OUT SEP 26**

Former Special Ops soldier Pete Koslow (Joel Kinnaman) is jailed after a fight, and soon falls into a deadly trap when he's given a chance for early release by becoming an FBI informant.



### COLD BLOOD LEGACY

**OUT SEP 26**

Jean Reno stars as a hit-man living in an isolated cabin at the edge of a lake. When an injured woman arrives in front of his house, he could well risk his own life to save her.



### ABDUCTION

**COMING SOON**

Quinn (Scott Adkins) steps out of a park fountain in Vietnam with no recollection of who he is. As he pieces together clues to his past, he is relentlessly pursued by mysterious, dangerous figures.

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# MADE IN LEBANON



## YERBO BI EZZKON

We chat with the stars of the touching social comedy about two couples from opposite ends of the financial spectrum who find themselves sharing the same hospital room

**DIRECTOR** DAVID ORIAN **CAST** AMMAR SHALAK, GABRIEL YAMMINE, PAMELA EL KIK, ROLA BEKSMATI, SHADY HADDAD, RAMI ATALLAH, WITH TAKLA CHAMOUN, NICOLAS DANIEL, WAFAA TARABAY, JOSEPH ACAF, GHIDA MAJZOUB, HIND KHADRA, ANTOINE KASSABIAN, SOPHIA FAKHRY, FADY MITREH, ZEINA ZIADEH, AND SAMER EL ACHI **GENRE** COMEDY DRAMA **OUT OCT 24**

**D**avid Orian directs a comedic social drama about two couples from completely different social and financial backgrounds — one extravagantly rich (Pamela el Kik, Shady Haddad) and the other miserably poor (Ammar Shalak, Rola Beksmati). When these two polar opposite pairs find themselves having to share the same hospital maternity room, mayhem soon ensues. We talk to the stars of the film about behind-the-scene antics and the highlights of making *Yerbo Bi Ezzkon* (C-Section).

» **STAR CAST** Rola Beksmati (top) and Ammar Shalak (above right) star alongside Pamela El Kik and Shady Haddad (right) as two couples welcoming their child into the world — ready or not.







## Rola Beksmati

**Your stardom boomed in Khabsa nine months ago. How does it feel to play a leading role in two cinema productions in less than a year?**

It means a lot to me, especially considering the two characters are totally different, which is more challenging. Success is a long road – it needs lot of work and effort. It scares me, but at the same time, my passion is unlimited. I'm glad to add that I got a role in a third movie as well and will start shooting this coming October. Can't be happier.

**Tell us about your preparation to voice a typical villager.**

Working on Sonia's character wasn't easy at all! I had to sit for hours with a friend who lives in a village in order to learn the accent properly. Otherwise the role would have lost credibility. It is more fun when we have a challenging script and character, and hopefully people will be happy with the result.

## Shady Haddad

**What was the most difficult scene for you to perform?**

I can't think of any scene that was physically difficult for me, but holding my first newborn child was emotionally overwhelming.

**Describe the movie in three words.**

Powerful, touching and funny.

## Rami Atallah

**What do you have to say about your first Lebanese cinema experience, given your theatrical background and Acting Academy?**

After the Iranian film *Damascus Flight 2701*, *Yerbo bi Ezzkon*



is my second cinema experience but my first Lebanese film. Thanks to my theatrical background and my experience as a theatre instructor at my own academy, I was able to build the character of Sabee, who differs from my personal character in many ways: the accent, the gait, the lifestyle etc. I had to consider basic theatrical elements such as his voice, emotions and performance.

**Your most memorable moment during filming?**

My scene with Rola Beksmati in the character's first appearance in the film. He is in a very complicated situation, afraid and tense. Due to technical issues, we had to repeat the scene more than 15 times, and each time I had to do exercises and force myself to be tired to get into character. I also remember that I say the words "Olmene asle", and afterwards everyone seemed to forget my real name and the character's name, and started calling me "Mr. Olmane Asle".

I should also say that it was a great atmosphere on set between the actors and the crew.

## Ammar Shalak

**You've been focusing on TV production recently. What made you choose this particular film role?**

I wasn't really focusing on TV or any particular format as I believe actors should always continue doing TV, cinema and theatre, because this is what acting is about. However I simply haven't received any good cinema scripts lately... until I received *Yerbo bi Ezzkon*. Usually when I receive any scenario it's either my heart beats for it or it doesn't, and this is how I pick. *Yerbo bi Ezzkon* is such a deep scenario and smart plot that reflects Lebanese society – and even the world – beautifully showing the contrasts in society.

**How would you describe your character in one sentence?**

When the audience sees me for the first time in the movie, they will definitely think I am kickass, or a monster. But as the film progresses, they will start to discover who I really am.

## Pamela El Kik

**You've been very selective in your projects lately. Why *Yerbo bi Ezzkon*?**

When I was asked to be part of the *Yerbo bi Ezzkon* family, it immediately captured my heart. I was drawn to the way the movie interpreted true Lebanese drama and was excited to work with professionals in the cast and crew. Now that the movie's done, I can thank my sixth sense for believing in this genuine production.

**You play the wife of a highly educated billionaire (Shady Haddad), in contrast to Ammar Shalak, who plays a tough guy – wise but miserably poor. In real life whom would you pick?**

Why not a wise billionaire? I can't predict the future nor my untaken decisions. I can be idealistic and simply answer man number two, but now I am more of a realist, living and enjoying each and every moment. So why not a wise, true, kind, foolish man who has flaws that I can take and embrace for the rest of my life?

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# MUSIC BEAT

## HIGH STRUNG: FREE DANCE



**“What does it mean to be a passionate young artist breaking into the industry? It all boils down to love. Love of our art, love of each other, and love of humanity.”**  
THATCHER

**DIRECTOR** MICHAEL DAMIAN **CAST** THOMAS DOHERTY, JULIET DOHERTY, JANE SEYMOUR, ACE BHATTI, DESMOND RICHARDSON **GENRE** DANCE ROMANCE **OUT OCT 24**

**I**n the sequel to the hit movie *High Strung*, more than 120 international dancers and a dream filmmaking team come together with choreographer Myles Thatcher and an all-new cast in a passionate love story set in the thrilling world of professional dance. What's more, the fabulous Jane Seymour returns in a broader and more developed role.



### POMS

**OUT OCT 24**

Diane Keaton shines as a woman who moves into a retirement community and starts a cheerleading squad with her fellow residents, proving that it's never too late to follow your dreams. Jacki Weaver, Pam Grier and Celia Weston also star.



### BOOKSMART

**OUT SEP 5**

On the eve of their graduation, academic overachievers Amy and Molly get a hardcore reality check and realise they may have missed out. Determined to make up for lost time, they decide to cram four years of not-to-be missed fun into one night.



### JUDY

**OUT OCT 3**

Showbiz legend Judy Garland arrives in *Swinging London* to perform a five-week sold-out run. Featuring some of her best-known songs, the film celebrates "the world's greatest entertainer."



### BLINDED BY THE LIGHT

**OUT SEP 26**

In a quirky comedy, a teenager of Pakistani descent living in the austere days of Thatcher's Britain learns to understand his family and find his own voice through the music of Bruce Springsteen.



### THE WEDDING YEAR

**OUT SEP 19**

A commitment-phobic 27-year-old's relationship is put to the test when she and her new boyfriend go to seven weddings in the same year. *Modern Family*'s Sarah Hyland leads the romcom.



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**DIRECTOR** JAMES GRAY **CAST** BRAD PITT, TOMMY LEE JONES, RUTH NEGGA, LIV TYLER, DONALD SUTHERLAND **GENRE** ADVENTURE MYSTERY **OUT SEP 19**

**F**ollowing his first on-screen collaboration with Leonardo DiCaprio in *Once Upon a Time in Hollywood*, Brad Pitt returns in a tense sci-fi adventure alongside Liv Tyler and Tommy Lee Jones. In *Ad Astra*, astronaut Roy McBride travels to the outer edges of the solar system to find his missing father and unravel a mystery that threatens the survival of our planet. His journey will uncover secrets that challenge the nature of human existence and our place in the cosmos.



## HUSTLERS

**DIRECTOR** LORENE SCAFARIA **CAST** JENNIFER LOPEZ, CONSTANCE WU, JULIA STILES, LIZZO **GENRE** CRIME 110 MINS **OUT SEP 12**

**A** crew of savvy former strip club employees who band together to turn the tables on their Wall Street clients.

**Q** I work out every single day, and I can say without hesitation that learning to pole dance was one of the most challenging things I've ever done." LOPEZ

## FROM THE HEART



### DOWNTON ABBEY

**OUT SEP 19**

The acclaimed show comes to the big screen. Follow the continuing intrigue of the Crawley family, wealthy owners of a large estate in the English countryside in the early 20th century.



### BOTTOM OF THE 9TH

**OUT SEP 19**

A tragic mistake lands young Sonny (Joe Manganiello) in jail before his baseball career gets off the ground. Now 39, he works to win back his respect, his lost love (Sofia Vergara) and his dream.



### BERLIN, I LOVE YOU

**OUT OCT 3**

The latest installment of the *Cities of Love* series (Paris, je t'aime/New York, I Love You), this collective feature-film is made up of ten stories of romance set in the German capital.



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# PARADISE Hills

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## TERMINATOR: DARK FATE



**DIRECTOR** TIM MILLER **CAST** LINDA HAMILTON, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, MACKENZIE DAVIS **GENRE** ACTION SCI-FI **OUT OCT 31**

**T**im Miller (*Deadpool*) directs and visionary filmmaker James Cameron produces a thrilling new chapter that puts Sarah Connor front and centre. Linda Hamilton and Arnold Schwarzenegger return in their iconic roles in *Dark Fate*.

## GEMINI MAN

**DIRECTOR** ANG LEE **CAST** WILL SMITH, MARY ELIZABETH WINSTEAD, CLIVE OWEN, BENEDICT WONG **GENRE** ACTION THRILLER **OUT OCT 10**

**I**n an innovative action-thriller from Oscar winning director Ang Lee (*Life of Pi*), Will Smith stars as Henry Brogan, an elite assassin who is suddenly targeted and pursued by a mysterious young operative that seemingly can predict his every move.





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## » OSCAR HERITAGE

Three of the actors who have played the Joker are Oscar winners — Jack Nicholson, Jared Leto and Heath Ledger (who won the award for that role). Joaquin Phoenix has walked the same prestigious path, having been nominated for an Oscar three times.

# JOKER

DIRECTOR TODD PHILLIPS CAST JOAQUIN PHOENIX, ROBERT DE NIRO GENRE CRIME THRILLER 122 MINS **OUT OCT 3**

**T**he iconic arch-nemesis returns in an original, standalone story not seen before on the big screen. The exploration of Arthur Fleck (Joaquin Phoenix), a man facing the cruelty and outright scorn of society, is not only a gritty character study, but also a broader cautionary tale. A clown-for-hire by day, he strives to be a stand-up comic at night...but



finds that the joke always seems to be on him. Caught in a cyclical existence between reality and madness, one bad decision brings about a chain reaction of escalating, ultimately deadly, events. The incredible Robert De Niro co-stars.



## KILLERMAN

**OUT SEP 5**

Moe Diamond (Liam Hemsworth) is a money launderer who wakes up in New York City with no memory and millions of dollars in stolen cash and drugs. Now he must scour the streets in search of answers while trying to evade a crew of violent crooked cops.



## A SCORE TO SETTLE

**OUT SEP 5**

Nicolas Cage stars as a former enforcer for a local crime syndicate who has vowed to enact retribution on his mob bosses after 22 years of wrongful imprisonment. The only thing diverting his violent plans is a new found relationship with his beloved son.

GRIPPING  
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## LIGHT OF MY LIFE

**OUT SEP 5**

A girl and her father (Casey Affleck) journey through the outskirts of society a decade after a pandemic has wiped out nearly all the world's female population, testing the character of humanity.



## THE GOLDFINCH

**OUT SEP 12**

Ansel Elgort and Nicole Kidman bring to life the Pulitzer Prize-winning story of a boy who is taken in by a wealthy family after his mother is killed in a bombing at the Metropolitan Museum of Art.



## OFFICIAL SECRETS

**OUT SEP 12**

When translator Katharine Gun (Keira Knightley) leaks a classified e-mail prior to the invasion of Iraq, she is charged with breaking the Official Secrets Act and must fight for her liberty.



# DEADPOOL



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**DIRECTOR** ANDY MUSCHIETTI **CAST** JAMES MCAVOY, JESSICA CHASTAIN, BILL HADER, ISAIAH MUSTAFA **GENRE** HORROR MYSTERY **OUT SEP 5**

**T**wenty-seven years after the Losers Club defeated Pennywise, he has returned to terrorise the town of Derry once more. Now adults, the Losers have long since gone their separate ways. However, kids are disappearing again, so Mike, the only one to remain in their hometown, calls the others home. Damaged by the experiences of their past, they must each conquer their deepest fears to destroy Pennywise once and for all... putting them directly in his path.



### ZOMBIELAND: DOUBLE TAP OUT OCT 24

A decade after *Zombieland* became a cult classic, Woody Harrelson, Jesse Eisenberg, Abigail Breslin and Emma Stone reunite to face off against the new kinds of zombies and some evil human survivors.



### MARY OUT SEP 5

Gary Oldman stars in the chilling story of a family looking to start a charter-boat business. Only once they are out in isolated waters do they learn that their new ship holds terrifying secrets.



### HAUNT OUT SEP 19

On Halloween, a group of friends encounter an "extreme" haunted house that promises to feed on their darkest fears. The night turns deadly as they come to the horrifying realisation that some nightmares are real.



### BEHIND THE TREES OUT SEP 19

While on a romantic getaway in the Indian wilderness, a couple from Los Angeles accidentally witnesses the haunting exorcism of an 11-year old girl and set out to rescue her. Vanessa Curry stars.



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# LE FILM FRANCOPHONE

## FACTEUR CHEVAL

**DIRECTOR** NILS TAVERNIER **CAST** JACQUES GAMBLIN, LAETITIA CASTA **GENRE** BIOGRAPHY  
**DRAMA** 105 MINS **OUT SEP 12**

**J**oseph Ferdinand Cheval is a simple postman who travels every day along the Drôme. When his union with the love of his life, Philomena, produces a child, he will devote 33 years to building her an extraordinary structure: "The Ideal Palace".



## DONNE-MOI DES AILES

**DIRECTOR** NICOLAS VANIER **CAST** JEAN-PAUL ROUVE, MÉLANIE DOUTEY, LILOU FOGLE  
**GENRE** ADVENTURE **COMING SOON**

**C**hristian, a visionary scientist, studies wild geese. For his son, a teenager obsessed with video games, the idea



of spending a holiday with his father in the wilderness is a nightmare. However, father and son will come together for a crazy project: saving an endangered species. So begins an incredible and perilous journey.



## C'EST QUOI CETTE MAMIE?!

**OUT SEP 5**

When little Gulliver is sent to spend his summer vacation with his grandmother — who's more concerned about having a good time than taking care of him — his entire family of seven step-siblings arrive to rescue him. Gabriel Julien-Laferrrière directs the comedy starring Chantal Ladesou.



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## PARADISE HILLS

NOV  
28

"Our families sent us here to shape us in their image," says one of the girls in the trailer for *Paradise Hills* as a sinister soundtrack plays. The fantasy thriller features Emma Roberts and a matronly Milla Jovovich facing off in a mysterious boarding school where wayward girls are sent to be reformed.

MOVIE QUOTE

"THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY, UMA. IF YOU CAN LEARN YOUR PLACE, YOU HAVE YOUR BEST YEARS AHEAD OF YOU."



The number of kilograms Bale shed to play the lean Ken Miles

32

## FORD V FERRARI

NOV  
14

Oscar nominee James Mangold (*Walk the Line*, *Logan*) directs Christian Bale and Matt Damon in the true story of American car designer Carroll Shelby and driver Ken Miles. Battling corporate interference, the laws of physics and their own personal demons, they set out to build a revolutionary race car for Ford and challenge the mighty Ferrari at the 24 Hours of Le Mans in 1966.





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# MIDWAY

**NOV  
07**

The true story of the Battle of Midway is told through the experiences of the WWII leaders and soldiers who fought it in a thrilling new epic from Roland Emmerich (*Independence Day*, *The Patriot*). The massive cast features Patrick Wilson (above), Aaron Eckhart, Woody Harrelson, Dennis Quaid, Luke Evans and Nick Jonas (below, l-r).

**MEET  
THE  
CAST**



# BALLOON

**NOV  
14**

East Germany, 1979. At the height of the Cold War, two ordinary families yearning for freedom secretly form a great escape plan to get across to the West in a hot air balloon they build with scraps of cloth. What follows is an incredible and gripping true story of resistance.





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## RADIOACTIVE

Set to premiere at the Toronto International Film Festival this September, *Radioactive* stars Rosamund Pike as Nobel Prize winning physicist and chemist Marie Curie. Sam Riley co-stars as her husband Pierre in the story of their scientific and romantic passions.

## STAR WARS: THE RISE OF SKYWALKER

**DEC  
19**

The Resistance faces the First Order once more in the final chapter of the Skywalker saga. The adventure sees the return of the entire cast, including Carrie Fisher in previously unreleased archive footage.

### MOVIE QUOTE

**"WE'VE PASSED  
ON ALL WE KNOW.  
A THOUSAND  
GENERATIONS LIVE IN  
YOU NOW. BUT THIS  
IS YOUR FIGHT. WE'LL  
ALWAYS BE WITH  
YOU. NO ONE'S EVER  
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**- LUKE SKYWALKER**



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## CHARLIE'S ANGELS

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The reboot sets up the Angels as an international network of detectives in an actioner starring Kristen Stewart.



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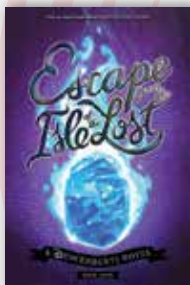
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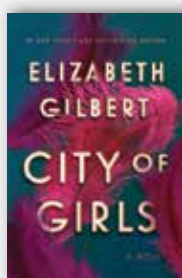
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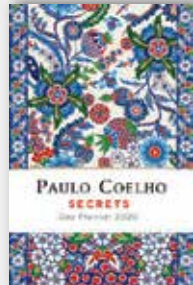
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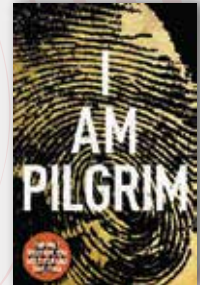
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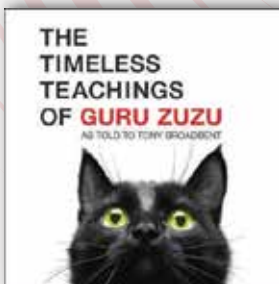
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## JUMANJI: THE NEXT LEVEL

**DEC  
12**

Dwayne Johnson, Kevin Hart, Jack Black and Karen Gillan made for

an amazing quartet in the 2017 hit and now they're taking the sequel to the next level. How could they possibly be any funnier? Well, by bringing in Danny DeVito and Danny Glover to play two grandpas sucked into the Jumanji web — that's how.

### MOVIE QUOTE

**"THIS NEXT  
ADVENTURE IS EVEN  
MORE CHALLENGING.  
AND REMEMBER,  
THE FUTURE OF  
JUMANJI IS IN  
YOUR HANDS."**



## MY SPY

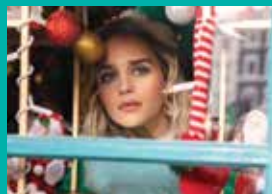
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When a hardened CIA operative (Dave Bautista) slips up during a surveillance job, he finds himself at the mercy of a precocious nine-year-old girl. Now he must team up with this agent-in-the-making to track down the bad guys in the fantastic family adventure.

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**As hard as it is to believe, that's buff Bautista's actual age.**

## MORE FAVOURITES



### LAST CHRISTMAS

**NOV  
21**

Emilia Clarke (*Game of Thrones*) plays a young woman allergic to commitment as the holidays come around in the romantic comedy co-starring Michelle Yeoh and Emma Thompson.



### MOTHERLESS BROOKLYN

**DEC  
05**

A lonely private detective afflicted with Tourette's Syndrome sets out to find his mentor's killer in the crime drama starring Ed Norton and Bruce Willis.



### CATS

**DEC  
19**

A host of talent comes together for the adaptation of Andrew Lloyd Webber's timeless musical. Jennifer Hudson, Taylor Swift, Ian McKellen and Judi Dench are among the incredible cast.



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A full-page background image of Nikolaj Coster-Waldau. He is wearing a dark leather jacket over a grey t-shirt and blue jeans. He is holding a black handgun in his right hand, pointing it downwards. He has a serious expression and is looking off to the side. The background is slightly blurred, showing what appears to be an interior setting with a staircase.

# 5 HOT FACTS

## DOMINO

**Nikolaj Coster-Waldau  
hunts a terrorist in Brian De  
Palma's gripping thriller**

### 1 **Brian De Palma gave Robert De Niro his first film role.**

The prolific director of such classics as *Scarface* and *The Untouchables* has been making movies for a staggering 56 years, his first commercial success being the psychological horror *Carrie*, based on the Stephen King novel.

### 2 **De Palma's fast-paced thriller examines the domino effect.**

*Domino* follows Christian, a Copenhagen police officer seeking justice for his partner's murder by an ISIS member. "I wanted to write a thriller about how seemingly unrelated incidents are interlinked," says screenwriter Petter Skavlan.

### 3 **Both stars previously featured in *Game of Thrones*.**

Christian is played by Nikolaj Coster-Waldau, who charmed us as Kingslayer Jaime Lannister in the popular series. His co-star Carice van Houten, who plays his partner, held us spellbound as *GoT*'s Melisandre, aka The Red Woman.

### 4 **The plot thickens with a duplicitous Guy Pearce.**

Best known for his breakthrough role in Christopher Nolan's *Memento*, Pearce stars as CIA agent Joe Martin, who has our terrorist-hunting heroes caught in a cat and mouse chase, using them as a pawn to trap other ISIS members.

### 5 **Filming took place in multiple locations across Europe.**

From the frosty cities of Scandinavia to the sun-drenched landscapes of Spain and Italy, De Palma sets up a spectacular battle of multiple opposing forces and leaves the audience breathless until the climactic final scene.





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