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FIRSTWORD

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A nation makes a stand

As we approach the end of an eventful 2019, we are once again reminded of the power of film to inspire and move us, and to commemorate those pivotal moments in history that define nations. We salute the Lebanese people, and wish one and all a prosperous new year that lives up to our promise and expectations for a brighter future. Here's to the beginning of a new era in 2020.

Our SPOTLIGHT feature is a fitting tribute to historical moments. Acclaimed director Roland Emmerich gathers an army of stars — among them Ed Skrein, Patrick Wilson, Mandy Moore and Nick Jonas — to tell the epic true story of *Midway*, the battle that turned the tides of war. FAMILY FIESTA rounds up the kids' favourites, including *Frozen II* and *Norm of the North 3*. Looking for some Nicolas Cage action? We prep you for *Primal* with 5 HOT FACTS. In SEASON PREVIEW, we feature a vision of the future in *Paradise Hills*, Johnny Depp in *Richard Says Goodbye*, music-inspired romance in *High Strung* and French dramas *Sybil* and *Demi Soeur*, in addition to big action-adventure in *Charlie's Angels* and *Jumanji: The Next Level*. For socially-relevant Lebanese comedy, don't miss Ammar Shalak in *Yerbo bi Ezzkon*.

Finally, in a special edition of SAVE THE DATE, our 2020 MUST LIST gets you in gear for the best of the new year, including Rosamund Pike in *Radioactive*, Colin Firth in *The Secret Garden*, Robert Downey Jr in *Dolittle*, regional drama in *Arab Blues*, the new James Bond feature and the follow-ups to *Bad Boys* and *Top Gun*.

See you at the movies!

ANITA NASR EDITOR



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Learn all about the star-studded premieres and events happening at Grand, and join us next time! Featured this issue: Kids flock to *Shaun the Sheep: Farmageddon*.

10 SAVE THE DATE: 2020 MUST LIST

In a special edition, we look at the best movies of the upcoming year, including *Radioactive*, *Birds of Prey*, *The Secret Garden*, *Top Gun: Maverick*, *Bad Boys for Life* and *Dolittle*. Mark your calendars.

20 FAMILY FIESTA

The kids won't want to miss fun features *Frozen II* and *Spies in Disguise* starring Will Smith. Plus, we round up the most exciting family movies of 2020.

24 SPOTLIGHT: MIDWAY

Roland Emmerich weaves movie magic once again in a thrilling depiction of the epic battle of Midway, starring Ed Skrein, Patrick Wilson and Nick Jonas. We talk to the battalion of stars.

28 SEASON PREVIEW

Check out the movies now playing and coming soon to a GC near you, featuring Milla Jovovich in *Paradise Hills*, Johnny Depp in *Richard Says Goodbye* and the Lebanese comedy *Yerbo bi Ezzkon*.

46 5 HOT FACTS

Who's ready for some wild action from Nicolas Cage? We prep you for the thrills with our five top reasons you shouldn't miss *Primal*.

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Grand adventure for little Shaun the Sheep fans

Under the patronage of the British Embassy in Beirut, and in attendance of its Deputy Head of Mission Ben Wastange, SR&CO launched the sequel of Aardman's most successful release, *Shaun The Sheep: Farmageddon*, at Grand Cinemas ABC Verdun. Invitees enjoyed live animation and face painting by C2C and a mouth-watering cocktail reception by Bartartine before a special screening of the adventure comedy.

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GRANDEVENTS

Advocates celebrate Beirut Marathon

Running is a culture. Beirut Marathon organisers recently hosted a special event to celebrate the important role of their advocates, who help them in reaching out to a support network of people and entities from all walks of life. The event, held at Grand Cinemas ABC Achrafieh on September 17, created awareness of the organisation's mission with the screening of inspirational social impact movies.



GRANDPREMIERE



DAY SIX MAKES A GRAND DEBUT

Director Loyal Rajha held a one-time special screening of her short film *Day Six (Wa Fil Yawm Al Sadiss)* at Grand Cinemas ABC Achrafieh in attendance of a host of artists and the media. Taken from a true story set in 1982, the film depicts the three monotheistic religions that stand face to face in the struggle over land, faith and ideology. The drama stars Khitam Al Laham and Abdo Chahine.





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BIRDS OF PREY

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Margot Robbie returns as the fantabulous Harley Quinn. After splitting with the Joker, Harley joins superheroes Black Canary, Huntress and Renee Montoya to save a young girl from an evil crime lord.

HISTORY
MAKER



Marie Curie is the first woman to have won the Nobel Prize, and the only woman to win more than one.

RADIOACTIVE

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Witness a ferociously original take on the life of Nobel Prize winner Marie Curie (Rosamund Pike) and her extraordinary scientific discoveries through the prism of her marriage to husband Pierre and the seismic effects their discovery of radium had on the 20th century.



JAN
16

BAD BOYS FOR LIFE

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Seventeen years after *Bad Boys II*, Will Smith and Martin Lawrence are still cleaning up crime. But with Marcus now a police inspector and Mike in a midlife crisis, are they still the bad boys of their youth?

EMMA
ROBERTS

DANIELLE
MACDONALD

AWKWAFINA

ETIZA
WITH GONZALEZ

MILLA
JOVOVICH

PARADISE HILLS

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2020 MUST LIST



JAN 09 RICHARD JEWELL

Clint Eastwood directs the true story of the security guard who saved thousands at the 1996 Olympics, only to be vilified.



JAN 02 THE GRUDGE

A house is cursed by a vengeful ghost in the new chapter of the horror franchise, taking place between the events of 2004's *The Grudge* and *The Grudge 2*.



JAN 30 A BEAUTIFUL DAY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Tom Hanks portrays Mister Rogers in a timely story of kindness triumphing over cynicism.



FEB 13

ARAB BLUES

Selma, a psychoanalyst, deals with a cast of colourful new patients after returning home to Tunisia to open a practice. The touching comedy recently premiered at the Venice Film Festival to much acclaim. Golshifteh Farahani, Majd Mastoura and Aïsha Ben Miled star.

DARING TALENT



Iranian born Golshifteh Farahani has taken Hollywood by storm, starring in such stand-out films as *Paterson*, *Pirates of the Caribbean 5* and *Body of Lies*.



JAN 16

DOLITTLE

Robert Downey Jr stars in the new adaptation of the children's book by Hugh Lofting about a doctor who discovers that he can talk to animals. The terrific voice cast features Tom Holland, Emma Thompson, Rami Malek and Marion Cotillard.



JAN 09

LITTLE WOMEN

A stupendous line-up of female talent, lead by Saoirse Ronan and Emma Watson, herald the big-screen return of Louisa May Alcott's classic novel about four sisters coming of age in the aftermath of war.

Save your best lesson for last.

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JAN
09

LIKE A BOSS

Two female friends with very different ideals start a beauty company together in the comedy starring Rose Byrne, Salma Hayek and Tiffany Haddish.



APR
2020

THE SECRET GARDEN

Colin Firth and Julie Walters lead a brilliant new take on the venerated classic children's novel about a prickly and unloved 10-year-old girl who loses her parents and is sent back to England to live with her uncle. There, she uncovers many family secrets.



MAR
05

THE INVISIBLE MAN

In a new spin, Cecilia (Elisabeth Moss) receives news of her ex-boyfriend's suicide, only to begin sensing that he isn't really gone.



MAR
19

A QUIET PLACE 2

Cillian Murphy joins Emily Blunt for the follow-up to the surprise horror hit, with John Krasinski returning to direct.



FEB
13

THE KING'S MAN

As history's worst tyrants plot to kill millions, one man must race against time to stop them. Journey back to the inception of the Kingsmen in a star-studded prequel lead by Ralph Fiennes and Harris Dickinson.



MAR
12

GODZILLA VS KONG

The world watches to see which will reign as King of the Monsters when the gigantic Kong faces off against the unstoppable Godzilla. Rebecca Hall, Millie Bobby Brown and Alexander Skarsgård star.



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APR 30 BLACK WIDOW

Natasha Romanova (Scarlett Johansson), groomed by the KGB as the ultimate operative, sets out on a quest in New York City.



APR 02 THE NEW MUTANTS

After several delays, the first superhero horror movie finally gets its day when five young mutants discover their abilities.



SEP 17 LAST NIGHT IN SOHO

A young woman is mysteriously able to enter the 1960s in Edgar Wright's (*Baby Driver*, *Shaun of the Dead*) new horror thriller.



Q4 2020 THE KILLER'S GAME

In the crime romp starring Dave Bautista and Ice Cube, a world-weary assassin who's taken a hit out on himself finds a new reason to live when his girlfriend discovers she's pregnant, and races across Europe to outrun his would-be killers.



APR 09 NO TIME TO DIE

Bond has left active service, but his peace is short-lived when an old friend turns up asking for help. What is likely to be Daniel Craig's final turn as 007 features Rami Malek, Ana de Armas and Jeffrey Wright.

MAY 21 FAST & FURIOUS 9

Michelle Rodriguez and Jordana Brewster will be returning to the franchise, in addition to recent arrivals Charlize Theron and Helen Mirren. To the delight of fans, newly announced team members include former wrestler John Cena and *Peaky Blinders*' Finn Cole. Let's get these engines started!



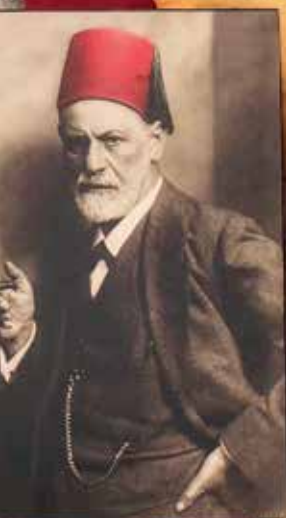
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NOV 28

BIOS

On a post-apocalyptic earth, a robot built to protect the life of his dying creator's (Tom Hanks) beloved dog learns about what it means to be human.



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OCT 29

ETERNALS

Angelina Jolie, Richard Madden and Salma Hayek suit up for the story of a race of immortal beings who shaped our history and civilisations.



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JUL 16

TENET

Christopher Nolan's follow-up to *Dunkirk* is rumoured to be an action epic revolving around international espionage, time travel and evolution.



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Q4 2020

RUIN

In a gritty revenge thriller starring Matthias Schoenaerts and Margot Robbie, an ex-Nazi captain navigates the ruins of post-WWII Germany determined to atone for his crimes during the war by hunting down the surviving members of his former SS Death Squad.

HOT PROPERTY



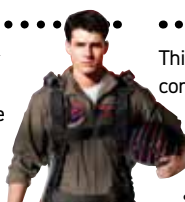
Justin Kurzel (*Assassin's Creed*) will direct the script, which topped the 2017 Black List, a list of the year's most-admired unproduced scripts.



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JUN 25

TOP GUN: MAVERICK

Do you feel the need for speed? Well, so do we. Tom Cruise dusts off the pilot suit for the sequel introducing a new generation of top guns.



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AUG 20

BILL & TED FACE THE MUSIC

Thirty years after a most excellent comedy adventure, two would-be rockers (the bodacious Keanu Reeves and Alex Winter) find themselves as middle-aged dads still trying to fulfil their destiny.

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FROZEN II

Anna, Elsa,
Kristoff and
Olaf travel
far to solve
an ancient
mystery

Six years after the global phenomenon, the *Frozen* sequel reunites the cast and creative team for a brand new adventure, no doubt with tunes we'll be singing for the next six years. Why was Elsa born with magical powers? The answer is calling her and threatening her kingdom. Together with Anna, Kristoff, Olaf and Sven, she'll set out on a dangerous but remarkable journey.

IN CINEMAS NOVEMBER 21 DIRECTOR CHRIS BUCK, JENNIFER LEE CAST KRISTEN BELL, IDINA MENZEL, EVAN RACHEL WOOD, JOSH GAD, STERLING K. BROWN, JONATHAN GROFF
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THE ADDAMS FAMILY

Get ready to snap your fingers! The first family of Halloween is back on the big screen in the first animated comedy about the kookiest family on the block, starring the voices of a large, spectacular cast of celebrities lead by Oscar Isaac, Charlize Theron, Chloë Grace Moretz and Martin Short. Funny, outlandish, and completely iconic, the Addams Family redefines what it means to be a good neighbour.

ARCTIC DOGS

Swifty the Arctic Fox (Jeremy Renner) works in the mailroom of the Arctic Blast Delivery Service, but he has much bigger dreams. He yearns to become a Top Dog, the Arctic's star husky couriers. To prove he can do it, he delivers a package to a secret location, and stumbles on Otto Von Walrus' (John Cleeese) villainous plan to drill beneath the snow, unleashing ancient gas to melt the Arctic and become the world's supreme ruler. To stop this sinister scheme, Swifty enlists the help of his trusted friends.

IN CINEMAS NOVEMBER 7 DIRECTOR AARON WOODLEY **GENRE** COMEDY ADVENTURE



SPIES IN DISGUISE

Welcome to the high-octane, globe-trotting world of international espionage

IN CINEMAS DECEMBER 26 DIRECTOR TROY QUANE, NICK BRUNO **CAST** WILL SMITH, TOM HOLLAND, BEN MENDELSON, KAREN GILLAN, RASHIDA JONES **GENRE** ACTION ADVENTURE

Super spy Lance Sterling (Smith) and scientist Walter Beckett (Holland) are almost exact opposites. Lance is suave and debonair. Walter is... not. But what Walter lacks in social skills he makes up for in smarts and invention, creating the awesome gadgets Lance uses on his epic missions. When events take an unexpected turn, they must rely on each other in a whole new way.



LA FAMEUSE INVASION DES OURS EN SICILE

To find his long lost son and food to survive the winter, the great bear king leads his clan down from the mountains and into the world of men.



OMAR W BISAT EL REEH

Hodja, 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.



RED SHOES & THE SEVEN DWARFS

Princes 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.



NORM OF THE NORTH 3: KING SIZED ADVENTURE

Have no
fear, the
polar bear
king is
here!

IN CINEMAS SOON DIRECTOR RICHARD FINN
CAST ALAN MARRIOTT, ANDREW TOTH, BRIAN
DOBSON **GENRE** ADVENTURE COMEDY

He's back, bigger and better than ever, and he's ready to get things done! Before planning an awesome wedding for his grandfather, our favourite polar bear king must complete a daring mission. With the help of his Lemming friends, Norm embarks on a journey across the world to help recover an artifact from a villainous archaeologist named Dexter.



2020 rundown



ONWARD

MAR 5

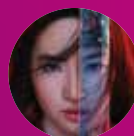
Tom Holland and Chris Pratt are elf brothers in the Pixar offering.



TROLLS WORLD TOUR

MAR 19

The fluffy crew takes the music show on the road.



MULAN

MAR 26

Disney's beloved warrior princess makes her live-action debut.



PETER RABBIT 2

APR 3

Margot Robbie joins James Corden in Peter's new adventure.



SOUL

JUN 18

Pixar takes us on a profound journey, featuring Jamie Foxx.



MINIONS 2

JUL 2

Discover Gru's origin story in the banalicious sequel.



THE WITCHES

OCT 15

The Roald Dahl classic gets an adaptation with Ann Hathaway.



THE CROODS 2

DEC 24

The prehistoric Croods are challenged by a rival family.

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WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN THE ENEMY ARRIVES AT YOUR SHORE? ROLAND EMMERICH DIRECTS A BATTALION OF STARS IN THE EPIC TRUE STORY OF THE BATTLE THAT TURNED THE TIDES OF WAR

The Battle of Midway, a clash between the American fleet and Imperial Japanese Navy, marked a turning point in the Pacific Theater during World War II. The film, based on the real-life events of this heroic feat, tells the story of the leaders and soldiers who used their instincts, fortitude and bravery to overcome the odds. It's a real-life story of brotherhood and camaraderie, and the determination and sacrifice of real-life military heroes to secure victory.

Having been decimated by the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor only six months earlier, the U.S. Navy was desperately outmanned and outgunned heading into the Battle of Midway. The U.S. military held on to one great advantage: its intelligence operations and collective grit were strongly underestimated. **MIDWAY** takes audiences deep inside the complex decision-making of tactical command – and then straps them inside a bomber cockpit to experience the most visceral on-screen telling of one of the greatest battles in warfare history.



IN CINEMAS NOVEMBER 21 DIRECTOR ROLAND EMMERICH
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 WOODY HARRELSON GENRE ACTION WAR EPIC 138 MINS

TIMELINE TO VICTORY



A BATTLE



We talk to the massive cast about the heroic characters that changed the course of history



DICK BEST ED SKREIN

“ You see several versions of Best throughout the story. First, there’s the cocky guy who turns off his plane’s engine to prove to himself he knew how to land without it. After Pearl Harbor, [he’s] on a one-man mission to win the war. We ultimately see a Best with all of his old qualities and emotional literacy and intelligence. A true leader of his men.

LT COMMANDER EDWIN LAYTON PATRICK WILSON

“ What I found very interesting about him was that he was known as being dry and quick-witted. I think he knew that and used it to his advantage. When you’re talking about Military Intelligence... there were many people who didn’t quite understand it. If you worked in Intelligence, you were different from the average soldier or seaman.

ADMIRAL NIMITZ WOODY HARRELSON

“ After Pearl Harbour, there was a lot of pressure on the United States to rebuild these ships quickly, and do what they could to become a power. Admiral Nimitz was the right man for the job. He was a relentless, hard-working and thoughtful guy who made critical decisions that changed the course of the war.

ADMIRAL YAMAMOTO ETSUSHI TOYOKAWA

“ Yamamoto knew America well, and believed there was no chance to easily win a war with it. That’s why the first action he took was to attack Pearl Harbor. After Pearl Harbor, the Battle of Midway was a big turning point; Japan may have won the war if it won at Midway.



- **MARCH 1939**
Hitler invades Czechoslovakia
- **3 SEPTEMBER 1939**
Britain and France declare war on Germany
- **26 MAY 1940**
Dunkirk AKA Operation Dynamo
- **10 JULY - 31 OCTOBER 1940**
Battle of Britain
- **7 DECEMBER 1941**
Pearl Harbour
- **8 DECEMBER 1941**
Britain and US declare war on Japan
- **JUNE 1942**
Battle of Midway
- **6 JUNE 1944**
D-Day (Allied invasion of Normandy)
- **25 AUGUST 1944**
Paris liberated
- **8 MAY 1945**
VE Day (Victory in Europe)

LIKE NO OTHER

MEET THE CAST OF **REAL-LIFE** HEROES



WADE MCCLUSKY
LUKE EVANS

“ McClusky is a little older than the pilots he’s in charge of. He’s experienced much more, and he leads by example. What McClusky does... makes him one of the heroes of the war. As much as Midway is a film with huge set pieces and big airborne battles, it’s also about a brotherhood and the union of these pilots risking their lives on a daily basis.



JIMMY DOOLITTLE
AARON ECKHART

“ His personality and his attention to detail were legendary. Doolittle and his men knew they wouldn’t have the necessary fuel to return to the carrier. There were 72 Doolittle Raiders and they all agreed to go on the mission, despite the incredible odds against its success. Some of them ended up in the sea, many of them crashed, and some died.



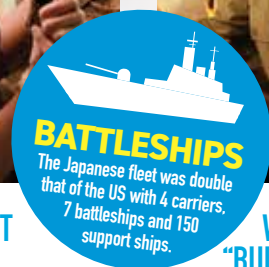
ANN BEST
MANDY MOORE

“ Ann and Dick are real partners in their relationship. There’s a deep mutual appreciation, and affection for one another. This isn’t a one-dimensional war movie. You’re not just seeing the heroics of these men. You’re getting a slice of their home life, with their families and wives, and a better understanding of what they’re fighting for and what’s at stake.



WILLIAM “BULL” HALSEY
DENNIS QUAID

“ Halsey was no fan of the army brass and was known for taking matters into his own hands. He had his own style, and was brash. But his connection with his men made him a great leader, particularly of so many inexperienced and young men, some little more than boys. They looked at Halsey as a father figure who was going to get them through this.



BATTLESHIPS
The Japanese fleet was double that of the US with 4 carriers, 7 battleships and 150 support ships.

BRUNO GAIDO
NICK JONAS

“ I have an affinity for stories with a focus on brotherhood and camaraderie. Maybe that’s because I am close to my brothers. I wanted to do justice to Bruno because he was a real American hero. A really important moment for me was when I put the costume on. I thought back to pictures of my grandfather, who served in the military, and immediately sent a picture of me in costume to my grandmother.



AEROPLANES
Despite massive odds, the US lost only 150 aircraft to the Japanese airforce’s 248 losses.



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PARADISE HILLS

DIRECTOR ALICE WADDINGTON CAST EMMA ROBERTS, MILLA JOVOVICH, AWKWAFINA, EIZA GONZALEZ GENRE FANTASY THRILLER **COMING SOON**



An outspoken young woman named Uma (Roberts) wakes up one morning in Paradise Hills, a high-class treatment facility on an isolated Mediterranean island led by the Duchess (Jovovich). Here, well-off families send their daughters to become perfect versions of themselves. Through individually calibrated treatment regimens including etiquette classes, beauty treatments and restricted diets, all physical and emotional shortcomings are resolved within two months. Transformation is guaranteed.

Uma finds solace and friendship in other Paradise Hills residents. But Uma soon realises that lurking behind all this beauty is a sinister secret. It's a race against the clock as Uma and her friends try to escape Paradise Hills before it consumes them all.

A young woman is sent to be reformed at a remote facility only to learn that the beautiful exterior hides a sinister secret



HOW TO FIGHT THE SYSTEM

Director Alice Waddington brings us a provocative thriller — both Gothic and futuristic — about universal female fears, and the brave women and men who stand up for their rights.

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CHARLIE'S ANGELS

DIRECTOR ELIZABETH BANKS **CAST** KRISTEN STEWART, DJIMON HOUNSOU, SAM CLAFLIN
GENRE ACTION THRILLER **OUT NOV 14**

In director Elizabeth Banks' bold vision, Kristen Stewart, Naomi Scott

and Ella Balinska are working for the mysterious Charles Townsend, whose security and investigative agency has expanded internationally. With the world's smartest, bravest, and most highly trained women all over the globe, there are now teams of Angels guided by multiple Bosleys taking on the toughest jobs everywhere.



» **REAL DEAL**
The turbo-charged tale is based on true events that took place in the run-up to Le Mans '66.

Carroll Shelby
and Ken Miles

LE MANS '66

DIRECTOR JAMES MANGOLD **CAST** MATT DAMON, CHRISTIAN BALE, JON BERNTHAL, CAITRIONA BALFE, NOAH JUPE **GENRE** ACTION
BIO **OUT NOV 28**

Oscar winners Matt Damon and Christian Bale star in the true story of the visionary American car designer Carroll

Shelby and the fearless British driver Ken Miles, who together battled corporate interference and the laws of physics to build a revolutionary race car to take on Ferrari at the 24 Hours of Le Mans in France in 1966.



RICHARD SAYS GOODBYE



“ 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.’ ”**

JOHNNY DEPP

DIRECTOR WAYNE ROBERTS **CAST** JOHNNY DEPP, DANNY HUSTON, ROSEMARIE DEWITT, ZOEY DEUTCH, ODESSA YOUNG **GENRE** COMEDY DRAMA **COMING SOON**

When a world weary college professor is given a life-changing diagnosis he decides to throw all pretense and conventions 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 insults at anyone who annoys him, giving him more pleasure than he’s had in years. His 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. Don’t miss the hilarious and devastating comedy drama about how one man decides to live life to the fullest at the very moment he’s faced with the end of his journey.

A PROFOUND JOURNEY THROUGH THE 5 STAGES OF GRIEF

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HIGH STRUNG: FREE DANCE



DIRECTOR MICHAEL DAMIAN **CAST** THOMAS DOHERTY, JULIET DOHERTY, JANE SEYMOUR, ACE BHATTI, DESMOND RICHARDSON **GENRE** DANCE ROMANCE **COMING SOON**

It's passion on the dance floor as a young choreographer casts a contemporary dancer and an innovative

pianist in New York's most anticipated new Broadway show. In the sequel to the hit movie *High Strung*, more than 120 international dancers come together with a dream-team of filmmakers for a dramatic love story set in the thrilling world of professional dance.

» **NINE LIVES**
The hit musical
first played
on the London
stage in 1981.



CATS

DIRECTOR TOM HOOPER **CAST** JAMES CORDEN, JUDI DENCH, IDRIS ELBA, JENNIFER HUDSON, IAN MCKELLEN, TAYLOR SWIFT, REBEL WILSON, **GENRE** CRIME 110 MINS **OUT DEC 26**

Stellar doesn't even begin to describe the talented cast of Oscar-winning

director Tom Hooper's (*The King's Speech*, *Les Misérables*, *The Danish Girl*) take on Andrew Lloyd Webber's beloved smash musical. The story follows a tribe of cats called the Jellicles, who must decide yearly which of them will ascend to the Heavyside Layer and come back to a new Jellicle life.



JUDY

OUT DEC 12

Winter 1968 and showbiz legend Judy Garland (played by Renée Zellweger in a stunning performance) arrives in Swinging London to perform a five-week sold-out run. It is 30 years since she shot to global stardom in *The Wizard of Oz*, but if her voice has weakened, its dramatic intensity has only grown. Featuring some of her best-known songs, the film celebrates the voice, love, and sheer pizzazz of "the world's greatest entertainer."



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A love triangle
fuels a writer's
dark imagination

SYBIL

DIRECTOR JUSTINE TRIET **CAST** VIRGINIE EFIRA, ADÈLE EXARCHOPOULOS, GASPARD ULLIEL, SANDRA HÜLLER **GENRE** DRAMA
100 MINS **COMING SOON**

Dark memories intrude on Sibyl's otherwise mended life. Perhaps that's why she hits the brakes on her day job, dropping multiple patients to spend more time working on her first novel – only for the blinking cursor on her screen to glare back at her. In need of a distraction, she takes on a new client: young, fragile actress Margot, who's mired in a hellish love triangle with Igor, the dreamy, preening leading man on her latest film, and Mika, her jealous, demanding director. Will this be the writing inspiration that Sibyl needs or another drop into despair?



LES MISÉRABLES

DIRECTOR LADJ LY **CAST** DAMIEN BONNARD, ALEXIS MANENTI, DJIBRIL ZONGA **GENRE** CRIME DRAMA **OUT NOV 28**

When Stéphane joins the Anti-Crime Brigade of Montfermeil, he doesn't know what's in store for him. Meeting his new teammates, Chris and Gwada, he soon discovers the tensions that exist between the different groups of the district.



DEMI SOEURS

COMING SOON

Lauren, a 29-year-old IT-girl, tries to break into the world of fashion by crashing Parisian parties. Olivia, a 28-year-old psychologist, has two obsessions: to save the her parents' shop and to find an ideal husband. At the age of 26, Salma, a fiery young history teacher, still lives with her mother in the suburbs. Their roads have no reason to cross - until the day when, on the death of the biological father they never knew, they inherit together a splendid Parisian apartment. For these three sisters who have nothing in common, cohabitation will prove to be explosive, to say the least.

An adventure is in store for three strangers who learn they are sisters



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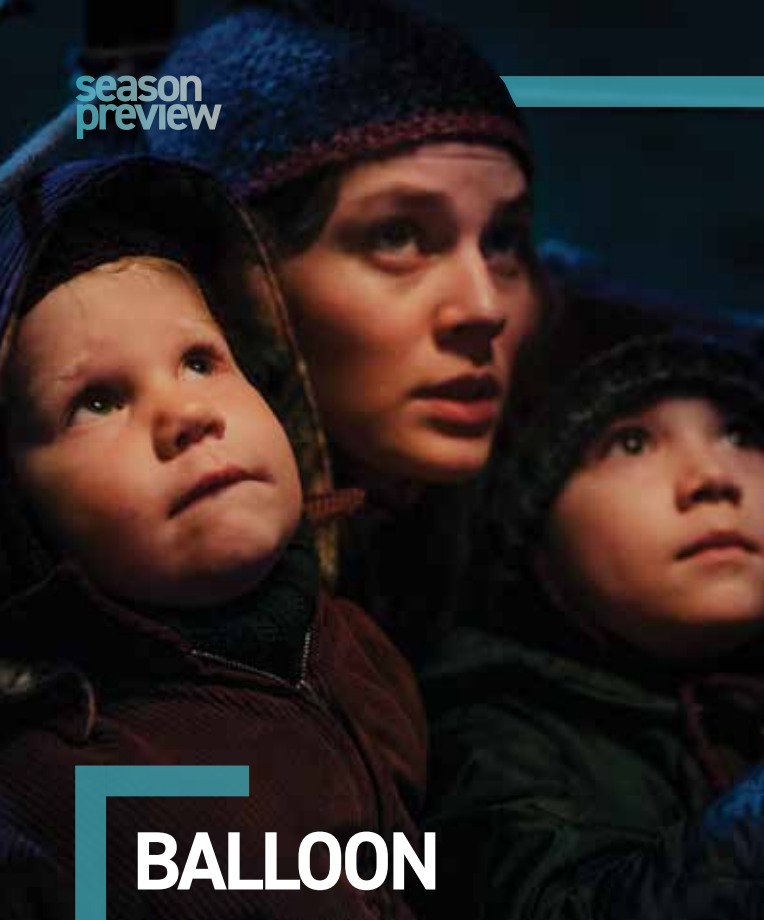
DIRECTOR NICOLAS VANIER CAST JEAN-PAUL ROUVE, MÉLANIE DOUTEY, LILOU FOGLI
GENRE ADVENTURE COMING SOON

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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. But when climate change threatens a flock of Christian's subject's, there is hope for them all. Father and son will come together for a crazy project: saving an endangered species. So begins an incredible and perilous journey that will mend the divide.

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BALLOON



DIRECTOR MICHAEL HERBIG **CAST** FRIEDRICH MÜCKE, ANTJE TRAUE, DAVID KROSS **GENRE** WAR SUSPENSE BIO **COMING SOON**

In 1979 in East Germany, two ordinary families longing for freedom secretly form a great escape plan to get across to the West in a hot air balloon in the incredible true story.

BOMBSHELL

DIRECTOR JAY ROACH **CAST** NICOLE KIDMAN, CHARLIZE THERON, ALLISON JANNEY, MARGOT ROBBIE **GENRE** DRAMA **OUT DEC 19**

Starring Charlize Theron, Nicole Kidman and Margot Robbie, based on the real scandal, *Bombshell* is a revealing look inside the most powerful and controversial media empire of all time; and the explosive story of the women who brought down the infamous man who created it.



TRUE COURAGE



DARK WATERS

OUT DEC 5

In a film inspired by a shocking true story, an attorney (Mark Ruffalo) uncovers a dark secret that connects a growing number of unexplained deaths to one of the world's largest corporations.



A MILLION LITTLE PIECES

OUT DEC 5

A young aspiring writer in the bottom of his addictions is interned in a facility to face his traumatic past. Aaron Taylor-Johnson, Odessa Young and Billy Bob Thornton star.

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“I simply haven’t received any good cinema scripts lately... until I received *Yerbo bi Ezzkon*. Such a deep scenario and smart plot that reflects Lebanese society – and even the world – beautifully, showing the contrasts in society. AMMAR SHALAK

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 **COMING SOON**

An exceptional social comedy from director David Orian follows 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. Some of Lebanon’s favourite stars come together to tell a moving and relevant story about bringing new life into this world in *Yerbo Bi Ezzkon* (C-Section).



FAKEBOOK

DIRECTOR ELIE HABIB **CAST** ABDO CHAHINE, BADIH ABOU CHACRA, CARLOS AZAR, DOUJA HIJAZI **GENRE** ACTION CRIME THRILLER **OUT DEC 19**

In a world where even his brothers in arms are against him, 38-year-old police officer Rawad Fakhoury executes a mission impossible to provide a kidney for his dying daughter. The clock is ticking and there's no one to trust but himself in *Fakebook*. The crime thriller from director Elie Habib (*Vitamin*, *Wilaneh*, *Habbet Caramel*) stars Abdo Chahine, best known for his memorable performances in *Very Big Shot* and hit series *Al Hayba*.

Why would you create a fake Facebook account? The new thriller follows one man's desperate cause



LAST CHRISTMAS

DIRECTOR PAUL FEIG **CAST** EMILIA CLARKE, HENRY GOLDING, EMMA THOMPSON, MICHELLE YEOH **GENRE** ROMANCE COMEDY **OUT NOV 21**

Kate (Emilia Clarke) harumphs around London, a bundle of bad decisions accompanied by the jangle of bells on her shoes, a consequence of her job as an elf in a year-round Christmas shop. Tom (Henry Golding) seems too good to be true

SING IT!
The film features George Michael's holiday classic as well as unreleased material by the artist.



when he walks into her life and starts to see through so many of Kate's barriers. As London transforms into the most wonderful time of the year, nothing should work for these two. But sometimes, you gotta let the snow fall where it may, you gotta listen to your heart ... and you gotta have faith.



PLAYING WITH FIRE

DIRECTOR ANDY FICKMAN **CAST** JOHN CENA, KEEGAN-MICHAEL KEY, JOHN LEGUIZAMO, JUDY GREER **GENRE** COMEDY **OUT NOV 7**

When expert firefighters come to the rescue of three siblings in the path of an

encroaching wildfire, they quickly realise that no amount of training could prepare them for their most challenging job yet – babysitters. Unable to locate the children's parents, the firefighters have their lives, jobs and fire depot turned upside down these unpredictable forces.

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JUMANJI: THE NEXT LEVEL

DIRECTOR JAKE KASDAN **CAST** DWAYNE JOHNSON, JACK BLACK, KEVIN HART, KAREN GILLAN, NICK JONAS, AWKWAFINA, DANNY GLOVER, DANNY DEVITO, SER'DARIUS BLAIN, MADISON ISEMAN, MORGAN TURNER **GENRE** ACTION SCI-FI **OUT DEC 12**

In the follow-up to the massive hit, the gang is back but the game has changed. As they return to Jumanji to rescue one of their own, they discover that nothing is as they expect. The players will have to brave parts unknown and unexplored, from the arid deserts to the snowy mountains, in order to escape the world's most dangerous game.

STAR WARS: THE RISE OF SKYWALKER

DIRECTOR J.J. ABRAMS **CAST** DAISY RIDLEY, OSCAR ISAAC, MARK HAMILL, CARRIE FISHER, LUPITA NYONG'O, DOMHNALL GLEESON **GENRE** ACTION THRILLER **OUT DEC 19**

Journey to a galaxy far, far away in an all-new epic adventure that sees the surviving Resistance facing the First Order once more in the final chapter of the Skywalker saga.

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CRIME BUFF

» WHODUNNIT?

In a brilliant mystery, *Knives Out* features a star-studded cast of suspects.



KNIVES OUT



DIRECTOR RIAN JOHNSON **CAST** DANIEL CRAIG, CHRIS EVANS, TONI COLLETTE, MICHAEL SHANNON, JAMIE LEE CURTIS, ANA DE ARMAS, J.K. SIMMONS **GENRE** CRIME MYSTERY **OUT NOV 28**

Rian Johnson pays tribute to Agatha Christie in a fresh, modern-day murder mystery where everyone is a sus-

pect. When renowned crime novelist Harlan Thrombey is found dead at his estate just after his 85th birthday, debonair Detective Benoit Blanc is mysteriously enlisted to investigate. From Harlan's dysfunctional family to his devoted staff, Blanc sifts through the evidence to uncover the truth.



21 BRIDGES

DIRECTOR BRIAN KIRK **CAST** CHADWICK BOSEMAN, SIENNA MILLER, TAYLOR KITSCH, J.K. SIMMONS **GENRE** CRIME **OUT NOV 21**

An embattled NYPD detective is thrust into a citywide manhunt for a

pair of cop killers after uncovering a massive conspiracy. As the night unfolds, lines become blurred and 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.



THE GOOD LIAR

OUT DEC 5

In a drama that pairs Helen Mirren and Ian McKellen on the big screen for the first time, career con artist Roy Courtney can hardly believe his luck when he meets well-to-do widow Betty McLeish online. As Betty opens her home and life to him, Roy is surprised to find himself caring about her, turning what should be a cut-and-dry swindle into the most treacherous tightrope walk of his life.

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HORROR UNLEASHED

DOCTOR SLEEP

DIRECTOR MIKE FLANAGAN CAST EWAN MCGREGOR, REBECCA FERGUSON GENRE HORROR MYSTERY **OUT NOV 21**

Still irrevocably scarred by the trauma he endured as a child, Dan Torrance has fought to find some semblance of peace. But that peace is shattered when he encounters Abra, a courageous teenager with her own powerful extrasensory gift, known as the “shine.” Abra has sought him out, desperate for his help against the merciless True Knot, who feed off the shine of innocents. Compelled by Abra’s fearless embrace of her shine, Dan calls upon his own powers as never before – reawakening the ghosts of the past.

Doctor Sleep continues the story of Danny Torrance, 40 years after his terrifying stay at the Overlook Hotel in *The Shining*.

BLACK CHRISTMAS

OUT DEC 12

Hawthorne College is quieting down for the holidays. But as Riley Stone (Imogen Poots) and her Mu Kappa Epsilon sisters prepare for the seasonal parties, a black-masked stalker begins killing sorority women one by one.

NON-STOP THRILLS

THE ROOM

OUT DEC 26

Kate and Matt move into an old house and soon discover a hidden room that has the extraordinary power to materialise anything they wish for. Their new life becomes a true fairytale. They indulge their every material desire. Yet beneath this apparent state of bliss, something darker lurks. The Room could very well turn their dream into a nightmare when it gives them what they’ve been waiting forever and that nature was denying them.

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OUT DEC 5

In a world where people with special abilities are living in poverty, Conner joins a crime ring to pay for his mother’s medical treatment and soon finds himself clashing with a militarised police.

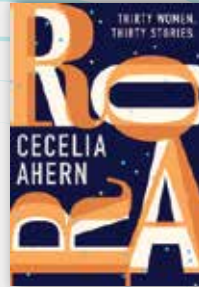
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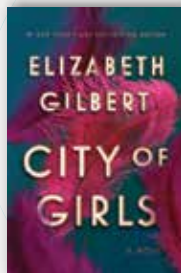
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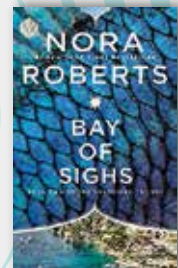
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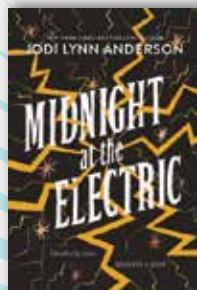
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PRIMAL

Nicolas Cage stalks wild prey and an assassin in the upcoming action thriller

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There's a deadly jaguar

A big-game hunter for zoos has booked passage on a Greek shipping freighter with a fresh haul of exotic and deadly animals from the Amazon, including a rare white jaguar.

2

... and also an assassin

On the very same vessel, US authorities are transporting a political assassin in secret. He soon escapes and releases the captive animals, throwing the ship into chaos.

3

Luckily, Nic Cage is on board

Who doesn't want to see Nicolas Cage amid this madness? As seasoned hunter Frank Walsh, he must use all his skills to rein in the wild beasts... and the human ones too.

4

Action pros are at the helm

Primal reunites Cage with his Outcast director Nick Powell, whose stunts have formed the action backbone for films like X-Men: The Last Stand and The Bourne Identity.

5

The crew is lit!

Joining Powell and Cage on this nightmarish cruise are favourites Jean Grey herself, Famke Janssen, Kevin Durand (X-Men Origins: Wolverine) and goodfella Michael Imperioli.



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