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FIRSTWORD

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We love to sprinkle a little magic on your day at Grand. That's why we've teamed up with Sakr Real Estate and Century Motor Company to offer you our biggest prize to date: a house and car! Find out how you can win the dream in GC DIARY. There's also loads of ways to earn big rewards with the newly launched Grand loyalty card, G-POINTS. If you haven't signed up for your card yet, what are you waiting for?

For a great lineup your clan will love, check out this issue's FAMILY FEST, headlined by the incredibly entertaining Hugh Jackman/Zack Galifianakis adventure *Missing Link*, Disney's reimagination of the classic **Dumbo** and Oscar-nominated **Mirai**. For a delicious helping that's MADE IN LEBANON, don't miss Abbas Chahine's hilarious sequel Se3a w Noss w 5amseh, and Hicham Haddad's mad trip to the big screen in **Lahon w Habs**.

LONG LIVE OUR SUPERHEROES! Our feature introduces Captain Marvel, sets up the massive Avengers: Endgame and asks "Whose side are you on?" in the Marvel/DC movie war. In the DIRECTOR'S CHAIR this issue is S. Craig Zahler, who gives us a masterclass on filmmaking in *Dragged Across Concrete*. Francophiles have an especially thrilling treat in the epic *Un peuple et son roi*, and the HORROR FANATIC offering will be keeping you on the edge of your seat with Look Away and Suspiria. But at the end of the day, it's STREET RULES for action legend Jean-Claude Van Damme in the powerful We Die Young. Let's get started.

See you at the movies!

ANITA NASR EDITOR















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THE OSCAR AWARDS

Your rundown of that glittering evening on February 24th, when the stars came out to play

dam Lambert and Queen kicked off proceedings with "We Will Rock You" and "We Are The Champions," and it was only the beginning of a massive night for Bohemian Rhapsody, which racked up the most wins (4), including Rami Malek's gold for Lead Actor. But it was Green Book that snagged the most coveted title of Best Film, its total of three awards tying it with Black Panther and Alfonso Cuaron's Roma. If the Oscars have taught us one thing, it's that they'll never stop surprising us.





SCENE

RECENT REVEALS STIRRING UP BUZZ ON THE WWW

DIE IN A GUNFIGHT

SULTRY DUO

Pre-production has begun on an action romance that brings together hot rising stars Sam Claflin and Cara Delevingne as star-crossed lovers. Slated as Romeo and *Iuliet*-meets-Baby Driver, the film co-stars Olivia Munn.

THE BOY 2

THEY THOUGHT HE WAS GONE FOREVER

Katie Holmes leads the cast of the follow-up to the 2016 horror mystery about a boy with an uncanny resemblance to a doll, and our first look speaks volumes about where the story picks up. William Brent Bell returns to direct.

IN CINEMAS 2020

FROZEN II

WHEN YOU'RE NOT READY TO 'LET IT GO'

When it first dropped, the *Frozen* II movie trailer soon became the most watched animated trailer of all time within 24 hours, and no one was surprised. In the sequel, Elsa, Anna and Kristoff set out on an adventure that takes them far away from Arendelle.

IN CINEMAS NOVEMBER 21



Heartbreakers

Cara Delevingne (Paper Towns, Suicide Squad) and Sam Claflin (Me Before You, The Hunger Games: Catching Fire) have both made waves in the action and romance genres, and now bring the two together in a sizzling action romance.

















PROMOTIONAL ARTWORK WE'RE EXCITED TO SEE

NORM OF THE NORTH 2: KEYS TO THE KINGDOM

Crowned polar bear king of the arctic, Norm is the first in line to save the day when his home comes under threat in the sequel to the animated adventure.

IN CINEMAS 2019

SPIDER-MAN: FAR FROM HOME

It looks like Spider-Man has been around the block a few times in the first poster for the second instalment, which sees Jake Gyllenhaal as the villainous Mysterio.

IN CINEMAS JULY 4

THE LION KING

The cub heir looks up at his father in new artwork that pulls at the heartstrings, and that's all we want from a CGI adaptation of the classic. The tremendous cast features Daniel Glover and Seth Rogen.

IN CINEMAS JULY 18

THE ANGRY BIRDS MOVIE 2

Someone needs to chill in the next chapter of the game adaptation featuring Game of Thrones star Peter Dinklage alongside comedy greats.

IN CINEMAS AUGUST 8

HOBBS & SHAW

A spin-off from the Fast & Furious franchise has Dwayne Johnson's Hobbs and Jason Statham's Shaw forming an unlikely alliance.

IN CINEMAS AUGUST 1



























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in the Grandest draw yet!

ith a mission to ease the financial strain on hardworking Lebanese, Grand Cinemas, Sakr Real Estate and Century Motor Company have launched Go Grand & Go Home. The initiative gives customers the chance to own a house from Sakr Real Estate, and a 2019 Hyundai i20. 1.4L automatic transmission car from Hyundai, simply by purchasing a bundle ticket from Grand Cinemas for as low as 20\$. With this bundle, they get one movie ticket, popcorn and soft drink, and entry into the draw.

Proud of this collaboration, Grand Cinemas' Jean Ramia, the man behind similar campaigns launched in the past, announced: "We are delighted that this year's promotion raises the bar to a whole new level in terms of prizes, especially during these difficult times. We have always strived to set an example in the movie theatre industry, which we have achieved this time around by turning dreams into reality."

Sakr Real Estate Group marketing director George Khouri commented on the initiative by saying: with Grand Cinemas to support all home-seekers who are struggling to purchase a house in the absence of subsidized loans. This initiative is part of Sakr Real Estate's ongoing commitment to providing the to those looking to purchase their

Zeina Chamat, Century Motor Company's marketing manager, conveyed Century Motor Company's



excitement about this collaboration, assuring: "We are thrilled to partner with Grand Cinemas to give movie-lovers a chance to win a 2019 Hyundai i20, one of the best cars in its category. We at Century Motor Company are known for caring about our customers and for providing peace of mind with our Lebanon's Best Warranty 6 Years/ 120.000Km. and this initiative is the best illustra-

tion of that."

HOW TO ENTER THE DRAW

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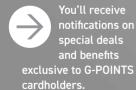


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Italia Film throws a a magical celebration of **RETURNS**

ary Poppins fans of all ages joined in Italia Films' celebration of the iconic character's return at the Grand Cinemas Verdun premiere. With activation and animation provided by C2C group, attending media, influencers and film fans had plenty to keep them entertained, and took home a little touch of magic.





They come in pieces! It's the awesome

LEGO MOVIE 2

verything was awesome at the Grand ABC Achrafieh premiere of *The Lego Movie* 2, the highly anticipated follow-up to the smash animated comedy. The little ones were hard at work building, taking cool snaps and enjoying delicious treats from Zaatar w Zeit in the run-up to the screening.



SERENITY premiere stirs up excitement at GC Dbayeh

Did you miss the launch of Matthew McConnaughev and Anne Hathaway's reunion on screen? Stay tuned to our social media pages for the latest news on red carpet premieres.



kick-off of

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GC SUPPORTS Beirut Women film festival

Grand Cinemas is proud to be a supporter of the Beirut International Women Film Festival 2019 taking place March 10-15. Stay tuned for screening schedules and check back next issue for our full coverage.



Bon Dieu sequel gets a Grand launch with the

FRENCH EMBASSY AND INSTITUT **FRANCAIS**

ollowing the smash hit first entry in 2014, cinema-goers were eager for the sequel. Under the patronage of the French embassy and Institut Français, Qu'est-ce qu'on a encore fait au bon Dieu? launched with a bang at Grand Cinemas ABC Achrafieh, with official delegates, film fans and VIPs flocking to see the hilarious comedy.



WANTED cast hits the **GC Achrafieh** red carpet

ans were delighted on → January 9th when the producer and cast of the Lebanese comedy Wanted attended the Grand Cinemas ABC Achrafieh premiere. The event was hosted by BASSMA, an NGO that helps raise funds for the most destitute families in Lebanon.





ebruary 28th saw a star studded premiere of the massive comedy release, Lahon w Habs, at Grand Cinemas' stunning location in ABC Verdun. Guests tore up the red carpet to take snaps with the attending cast and filmmakers, including Hicham Haddad, Jad Bou Karam, Chef Antoine, Tony Abou Jaoudeh, Soulayma Harb, Juneid Zeineddine, Elie Hawshan, Walid Doumiati and Zein Al Atat, as well as director Shady Hanna, producer Tanya Nasr and executive producer Firas Hatoum. Check out our movie preview on page 48.

Stars assemble for Lahon w Habs premiere AT GRAND CINEMAS

ABC VERDUN



RED CARPET → Hicham Haddad has a laugh or two with director Shady Hanna, whose credits include the mega-hit TV show

Lahon w Bass and

recent cinema smash Khabsa













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Most wanted

COLLECTIBLES

We round up the newest and most in-demand collectibles, available at all GC locations across ABC Dbayeh, Achrafieh and Verdun, Saida The Spot and Las Salinas. Watch this space for more goodies to come.



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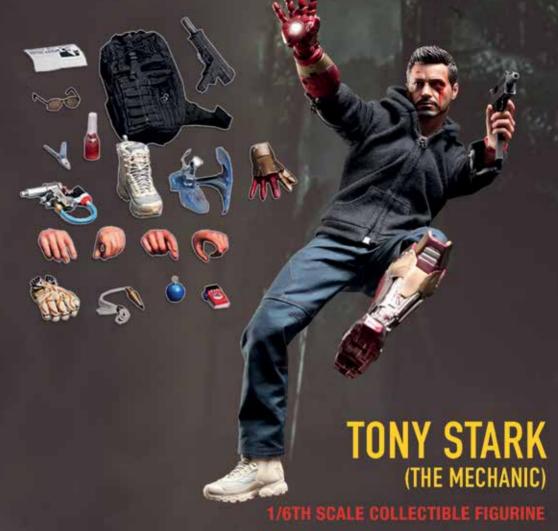


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APR 11

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Tony Stark, the beloved hero and billionaire genius, faced some challenging issues in Iron Man 3.

Terrorists badly injured his friend, destroyed his house, and kidnapped his girlfriend, but despite the downward spiral that he was in, Tony didn't give up and was determined to take down The Mandarin.

Hot Toys is thrilled to introduce the Tony Stark (The Mechanic) Collectible Figurine after the exciting scene where Tony Stark creates homemade weapons to infiltrate The Mandarin's mansion.

The movie-accurate Tony Stark (The Mechanic) Collectible Figurine is specially crafted based on the image of Robert Downey Jr. as the genius billionaire Tony Stark in his battle damaged civilian attire in the movie, highlighting the newly developed head sculpt, an advanced body with light-up chest light and greatly detailed weapons and accessories.

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DIRECTOR ASSAF BERNSTEIN **CAST** INDIA EISLEY, JASON ISAACS, MIRA SORVINO, HARRISON GILBERTSON, PENELOPE MITCHELL GENRE PSYCHOLOGICAL HORROR THRILLER 103 MINS OUT MAR 14

Holding a mirror up to our darkest thoughts, Look Away tells the story of Maria (Eisley), a shy 18-year-old

high schooler who feels utterly alienated by her parents and outcast by her peers. Lonely and insecure, she opens up to her reflection in the mirror, only to discover that the reflection has a mind of her own.

As Maria's isolation worsens at home and at school, her relationship with her alter-ego in the mirror intensifies. She switches place with the twin in the mirror and experiences freedom and confidence for the first time. But this newfound freedom unleashes suppressed feelings, and violence erupts. Will Maria be able to return to her true self? Or has she just discovered who she really is?



"The idea of

Look Away first came to me over 30 years ago. The notion that one's reflection can have a life of its own scared me out of my mind. I knew it would maké for an incredible film but I was not ready for it then. I didn't have the skill or the maturity needed to tackle it — since I was just

DIRECTOR ASSAF BERNSTEIN

ten-years-old."





BRİGHTBURN What if a child from another world crashed on Earth, and grew into a monster?



ANNABELLE CHAPTER 3 Patrick Wilson, Vera Farmiga, and Mckenna Grace return for the next gruesome episode.



47 METERS DOWN: UNCAGED The seguel to the 2017 sleeper hit is back with more bite.



IT: CHAPTER TWO The kids are all grown up in the follow-up starring James McAvoy and Jessica Chastain.



ZOMBİELAND: **DOUBLE TAP** It's survival of the fittest... and the most snarky.



THE DARK? The children's series takes over the big screen.





SOMETIMES DEAD IS BETTER. STEPHEN KING'S SEMINAL HORROR NOVEL RETURNS IN A CHILLER THAT WILL HAVE YOU WATCHING YOUR PETS VERY CLOSELY

PET SEMATARY



DIRECTOR KEVIN KÖLSCH, DENNIS WIDMYER CAST JASON CLARKE, AMY SEIMETZ, JOHN LITHGOW, OBSSA AHMED GENRE HORROR THRILLER OUT APR 4

After relocating with his wife and two young children to rural Maine, Dr. Louis Creed discovers a mysterious burial ground hidden deep in the woods near the family's new home. When tragedy strikes, Louis turns to his unusual neighbour, setting off a perilous chain reaction that unleashes an unfathomable evil with horrific consequences.



DIRECTOR JORDAN PEELE **CAST** LUPITA NYONG'O. WINSTON DUKE. ELISABETH MOSS **GENRE HORROR THRILLER OUT MAR 2**

Oscar winner Lupita Nyong'o stars as Adelaide Wilson, a woman returning to her childhood home with her family for a summer getaway. Haunted by trauma from her past, she grows increasingly certain that something bad is going to befall her family. It comes to a head when they return to their vacation home only to find four figures holding hands in the driveway. Us pits an endearing family against a terrifying opponent: doppelgängers of themselves.



THE CURSE OF LA LLORONA

DIRECTOR MICHAEL CHAVES CAST LINDA CARDELLINI, PATRICIA VELASQUEZ, RAYMOND CRUZ GENRE HORROR THRILLER OUT APR 18

Ignoring the warning of a mother suspected of child endangerment, a social worker and her kids are soon drawn into a frightening supernatural realm. Their only hope to survive La Llorona's deadly wrath may be a disillusioned priest and the mysticism he practices to keep evil at bay.



SOON In Cinemas

JOANA METRASS, DAVID Castaneda **Genre** action



chance ride-along with a Washington, D.C. gang detective through the neighbourhoods just outside of Capitol Hill." The experience solidified for Gellar one idea: "Now more than ever is the time to tell a story of undocumented teenagers who dream of one day waking up outside the nightmarish reality of their violent upbringing, and of a man who will do anything to escape his own inner demons." Van Damme shines in this powerful story. When ruthless drug lord Rincon

ovie fans will soon see

Jean-Claude Van Damme

in a whole new light. The

action legend takes on a

career-redefining dra-

matic role as a war vet-

eran with PTSD helping

two boys get revenge on

a violent drug lord in We Die Young.

film Roads, the gritty crime thriller

focuses on the struggles of gang life

in Washington, D.C. Writer and director

Lior Gellar was inspired to expand the

story to a feature-length film after "a

Based on the acclaimed short

and his MS-13 gang recruit 10-year-old Miguel to work as a runner, big brother Lucas is desperate to keep Miguel safe. find their revenge.

IN AN EDGE-OF-YOUR-SEAT ACTION THRILLER, VAN

DAMME STARS AS A WAR VETERAN

DETERMINED TO

SAVE TWO BOYS

FROM GANG LIFE

Says Gellar of Van Damme's preparation for the role, "Daniel is based on guys [he] served with...specifically one vet who completely lost his ability to speak due to complications from a battlefield injury." The action star's incredible talent reveals itself in his ability to "convey volumes of emotion" without saying a word. We

"NOW IS THE TIME TO TELL A STORY OF UNDOCUMENTED TEENAGERS WHO DREAM OF ONE DAY WAKING UP OUTSIDE THE **NIGHTMARISH REALITY** OF THEIR VIOLENT UPBRINGING, AND OF A MAN WHO WILL DO ANYTHING TO ESCAPE HIS OWN INNER DEMONS."



As a chubby

child who drew the attention of bullies, Jean-Claude resolved to do something about it, through

force of will and dedication transforming himself into a karate champion.



Spotting a wellknown action producer at a Beverly Hills restaurant, JCVD quickly got his attention by

kicking his leg over the man's head and doing the mid-air splits. He got the job.



At age 58, Van Damme shows no signs of slowing down. He still works stretching to

keep that legendary flexibility, lifting weights and practicing martial arts.

Fleeing for their lives, the boys are rescued by a veteran with PTSD named Daniel (Van Damme), who helps them

knew it all along.

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DIRECTOR ANNA BODEN, RYAN

FLECK CAST BRIE LARSON, JUDE LAW,

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HOUNSOU, ANNETTE BENING GENRE ACTION

Best known for her Oscar winning per-

formance in Room. Brie Larson takes

on the biggest role of her career as one

of the comic world's most respected

purveyors of justice. And she arrives

just in time. Those who watched the

climactic final scenes of Avengers:

Infinity War will remember that just as

Thanos was fulfilling his deadly threat

on the universe, Nick Fury sends one

last, desperate call. Will it prove a

worthwhile one for the fate of our world?

is an all-new adventure from a previ-

ously unseen period in the history of

the MCU that follows the journey of

Carol Danvers as she becomes one of

the universe's most powerful heroes.

While a galactic war between two alien

races reaches Earth, Danvers finds

herself and a small cadre of allies at

the centre of the maelstrom.

Set in the 1990s, Captain Marvel

CAPTAIN MARVEL'S PCWERS REVEALED

SUPERHUMAN STRENGTH

In addition to a level of strength far above the average superhero, Captain Marvel also boasts near invulnerability thanks to her rare healing factor.

LIGHT

Captain Marvel's power of flight — which some estimate to be at about six times the speed of sound — also allows her to travel to space.



One of her most iconic powers is her ability to be in tune with the entire universe, which might mean she already knows what's happened with the Avengers.

PHOTON BLASTS AND ENERGY ABSORPTION

Danvers can absorb the ambient energy around her, store it and release it in powerful attacks, including photon blasts.

NATTER TRANSMUTATION

It remains to be seen whether Captain Marvel will use her ability to control and manipulate solid matter and energy into any form that she wants.

ECRET POWER

We'll avoid spoilers by keeping this one under wraps, but it's fair to say that this power may be the key to defeating Thanos and undoing his massacre.



DIRECTOR DAVID F. SANDBERG
CAST ZACHARY LEVI, ASHER ANGEL, MARK
STRONG, JACK DYLAN GRAZER, GRACE FULTON
GENRE ACTION ADVENTURE SCI-FI

When Billy Batson shouts out one word— SHAZAM!—this streetwise 14-year-old foster kid can turn into the adult Super

Shazam! was

wizard. Still a kid at heart—inside a ripped, godlike body—Shazam revels in this adult version of himself and sets out to test the limits of his abilities with the joyful recklessness of a child. But he'll need to master these powers quickly to fight the deadly forces of evil controlled by Dr. Thaddeus Sivana.

TWO'S A CROWD

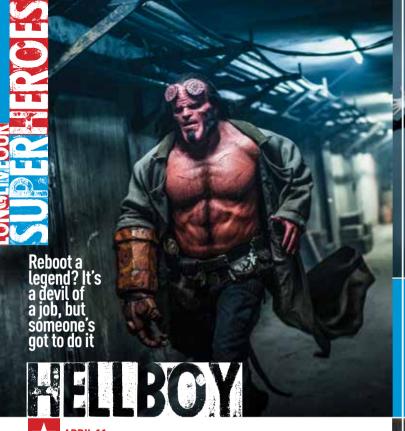
CRUVVD called Captain Marvel when his stories were published by Fawcett Comics in the 1940s. DC Comics has since bought the rights to the Fawcett superheroes and

changed the character's name due in part to Marvel holding the trademark.





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DIRECTOR NEIL MARSHALL CAST DAVID HARBOUR, MILLA JOVOVICH, IAN MCSHANE, DANIEL DAE KIM, THOMAS HADEN

Hellboy, who was last brought to the screen by Oscar winning director Guillermo Del Toro, returns with

a vengeance. According to Mike Mignola, the creator of the Hellboy comic book character, this reboot of the franchise will hew closer to the darker tone of the graphic novels. In the new film, Hellboy is caught between the worlds of the supernatural and human, and must battle an ancient sorceress bent on revenge.



QUFEN OF Following a such as The Fifth Element and the Resident Evil franchise. action star Milla Jovovich takes on Nimue the Blood Queen in Hellboy.

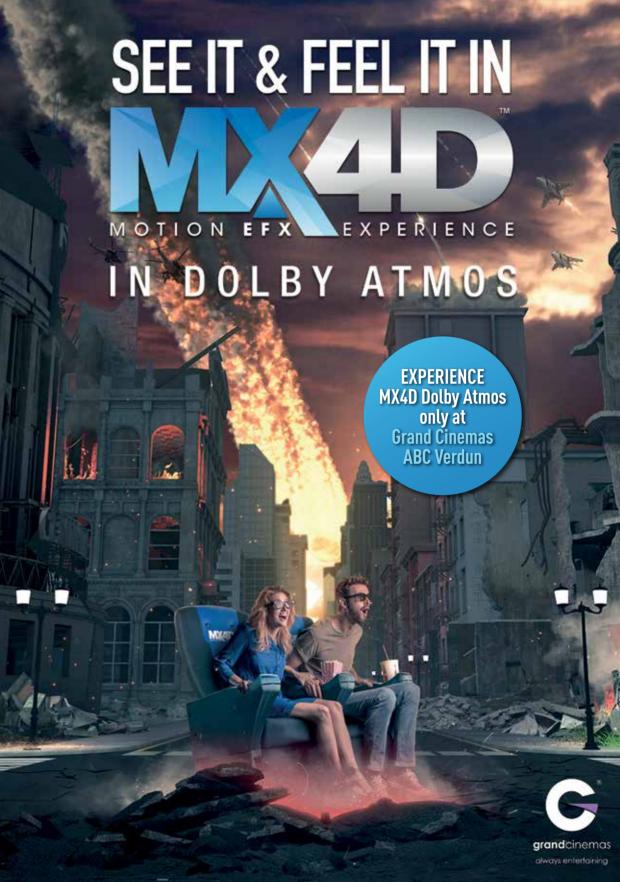






BIRDS OF PREY (AND THE **FANTABULOUS EMANCIPATION OF ONE HARLEY QUINN)**

"Miss me?" posted Margot Robbie, signing the message "HQ", when she revealed our first look at her Suicide Squad character in the upcoming Harley Quinn spin-off movie, Birds of Prey. Releasing early next year, the film follows Harley's adventures after splitting with the Joker.





DIRECTOR ANTHONY RUSSO, JOE RUSSO CAST ROBERT DOWNEY JR., CHRIS EVANS, MARK RUFFALO, SCARLETT JOHANSSON, CHRIS HEMSWORTH, JEREMY RENNER, DON CHEADLE, PAUL RUDD GENRE ACTION ADVENTURE SCI-FI

We were all left reeling when, in the final scenes of Avengers: Infinity War, Thanos gains the power of the Infinity Gauntlet and unleashes devastation. Spoiler alert: With a snap of his fingers, half of the inhabitants of the universe were turned to dust. We watched in disbelief as one after another Avenger

disintegrated into the wind while those closest to them stood powerless.

It's a good thing, then, that the follow-up to that doozy is finally on its way to theatres. While filmmakers have been tight-lipped about the plotline, teasers have given us an inkling about the events that await us. Yes, Tony Stark aka Iron Man is stranded in space with oxygen running out, but on terra firma, his superhero colleagues have mourned their fallen comrades for long enough, and are ready to do something about it. Get ready for the Endgame.

MAMMOTH RUNTIME



The Russo brothers comment on the rumour that Endgame will clock up a three-hour runtime.

"This is a culmination film of 22 movies, it's a lot of storytelling to work into it. Emotion is an intrinsic part of that to us. When you have to tell a really complicated story and you want strong emotional moments with the characters, it just requires a certain amount of real estate. This one, in particular, feels like three hours worth of real estate.'









On November 12th, the world lost Stan Lee, comic book writer and creative leader at Marvel Comics for two decades. Stars leave their tributes:



ROBERT DOWNEY JR "I owe it all to you. Rest In Peace Stan"



CHRIS PRATT "Thanks for everything Stan Lee! What a life, so well lived. I consider myself extraordinarily lucky to have gotten to meet you and to have played in the world you created."



EVANGELINE LILLY "Stan... more than a master of stories, you always seemed like a master of living. I will look to you for inspiration for the rest of my life. You live on, xoxo Your Wasp"

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We know Guy Ritchie from massive action

films like Lock, Stock

and Two Smoking Barrels and Sherlock Holmes, and we can't wait to see what he'll bring to the liveaction adaptation of the Disney classic, Aladdin. Will Smith steps into the Genie role alongside stars Mena Massoud and Naomi Scott.

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MOVIE QUOTE

"ONLY ONE MAY
ENTER HERE, ONE
WHOSE WORTH
LIES FAR WITHIN.
A DIAMOND IN THE
ROUGH."



MEN IN BLACK: INTERNATIONAL

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Following their electrifying pairing in

Thor: Ragnarok, Chris

Hemsworth and Tessa Thompson unite once again in the spin-off of the sci-fi action films, which has them facing the biggest, most global threat to date: a mole in the Men in Black organisation. Emma Thompson reprises her role as Agent O, and Liam Neeson drops by for a friendly chat.



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JOHN WICK: CHAPTER 3 - PARABELLUM

JUN 06

In the first chapter, John Wick came out of retirement to track down the

gangsters that killed his dog and took everything from him. In chapter two. he returned to the criminal underworld to repay a debt. Now, Wick must face the deadly consequeces of a bounty being placed on his head in the third chapter starring Keanu Reeves, Halle Berry, Laurence Fishburne and Ian McShane.

TOLKIEN

EVERYONE IN THE

CITY WANTS A PIECE

OF IT. I'D SAY THE

ODDS ARE ABOUT

EVEN.



Lord of the Rings fans, rejoice! Nicholas Hoult and Lily Collins are set

to star in the biographical drama exploring JRR Tolkien's formative years as he finds friendship, love and inspiration among a group of fellow outcasts. This takes him into the outbreak of World War I, which threatens to tear the "fellowship" apart. All of these experiences would inspire Tolkien to write his famous Middle-Earth novels

X-MEN: DARK PHOENIX

JUN 06

The X-MEN face their most formidable and powerful foe: one of

their own, Jean Grey, in the new chapter that reunites the massive cast we've come to love, including James McAvoy, Michael Fassbender, Jennifer Lawrence, Nicholas Hoult, Sophie Turner and Jessica Chastain. MOVIE QUOTE

"YOU FEEL LIKE YOU DON'T BELONG HERE. YOU DON'T. THEY CAN'T BEGIN TO COMPREHEND WHAT YOU ARE."

DID YOU KNOW?

The Latin phrase "Ad astra" translates literally to "To the stars", and is often used as a shorter version of "Per aspera ad astra" ("Through hardships to the stars").

AD ASTRA

The "space odyssey" makes up an important part of every film afi-

part of every film aficionado's favourites, and we can't help but be moved by such stirring journeys as those taken in *Gravity, Interstellar, The Martian* and *2001: A Space Odyssey*, among others. In 2019, director James Gray, who brought us the fantastic *The Lost City of Z*, takes us on another quest.

In Ad Astra, Brad Pitt stars as an astronaut whose journey uncovers secrets that challenge the nature of human existence and our place in the cosmos.

TAGLINE MONTH

Long live the king



GODZILLA: KING OF THE MONSTERS

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If you enjoyed
Godzilla's massive comeback in

2014 (how good was that climactic showdown?), then you won't want to miss this. The new story follows the heroic efforts of the crypto-zoological agency Monarch as its members face off against a battery of god-sized



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to write The Lord of

the Rings

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LUCE

A nominee for the Grand Jury Prize at the Sundance Film Festival.

the acclaimed Luce reunites Naomi Watts and Tim Roth in the story of a couple's idealised view of their adopted son, a former boy soldier from war-torn Eritrea. After a school teacher (Academy Award

TIM ROTH UPON READING THE SCRIPT

"WHEN I READ IT, IT **MADE ME QUESTION** MY NOTION THAT I **HAD NEVER BEEN RACIST IN ANY WAY."**

winner Octavia Spencer, The Help) discovers the young man's alarming essay on the need for violent rebellion, his parents must face the skewed values of their society's prejudices and biases.



LONG SHOT

An unemployed journalist sets out to date his childhood crush, one of

the most unattainable women on the planet, in the comedy starring Seth Rogen and Charlize Theron.

DID YOU KNOW?

This is the third collaboration between director Jonathan Levine and star Seth Rogen following the Golden Globe-nominated dramatic comedy 50/50 (2011) and holiday movie *The Night Before* (2015), both co-starring Joseph Gordon-Levitt.

MORE **FAVOURITES**



In his second directorial feature, Vincent D'Onofrio casts Ethan

Hawke and Dane DeHaan in the story of a boy who witnesses Billy the Kid's encounter with Sheriff Pat Garrett.



THE HUSTLE

Two down-and-out con artists engage in a "loser leaves

town" contest in the remake of the 1988 comedy Dirty Rotten Scoundrels starring Anne Hathaway and Rebel Wilson.



YESTERDAY

How does an Ed Sheeran cameo sound to you? In the new

film from Danny Boyle, a struggling musician realises he's the only person on Earth who can remember The Beatles.





wo police detectives find themselves suspended when a video of their strong-arm tactics is leaked to the media. With little money and no options, the embittered policemen descend into the criminal underworld and find more than they wanted waiting in the shadows.

Starring Mel Gibson and Vince Vaughn, Dragged Across Concrete is director S. Craig Zahler's follow-up to the critically acclaimed Bone Tomahawk and Brawl in Cell Block 99. The tense action thriller was filmed over eight weeks on location in Vancouver and British Columbia during the fall of 2018. and Zahler takes us through the paces of his filmmaking process.

On his filmmaking style

■ Dragged Across Concrete was The first feature script that I wrote after the release of my directorial debut, Bone Tomahawk. Although challenged-and at times hobbled-by the limited resources at my disposal on

ACROSS

that western picture, it was incredibly satisfying to bring a script of mine from the white page to the silver screen. Much of my performance-showcasing directorial approach was reprised and better realised in my second motion picture,

the prison thriller Brawl in Cell Block 99. Both pieces exemplify my interest in making rich genre fiction that has multiple viewpoints, complex characters, scenes that breathe, and moments of drama, comedy, and surprise.

CONCRETE

For my third movie, I wanted to make a suspenseful crime drama with an ensemble like those found in Taxi Driver, Dog Day Afternoon... No script of mine better displays my continuing interests in complicated characters and unlikely plotting than Dragged Across Concrete. As is often the case in my novels and screenplays, the protagonists are in perilous circumstances against which they struggle in different and surprising-though logical-ways.

On the grey area between good and evil

At the start of this story, two long-time police partners Ridgeman (Mel Gibson) and Anthony (Vince Vaughn) are suspended for use of excessive force during the arrest of a known criminal. These two flawed but decorated officers are ostracised for their behaviour and soon find themselves reconsidering their moral codes. They are neither innocent good guys nor amoral bad guys, but human beings who do both commendable and dubious things: these two cops have no easy choices if they want to provide for their loved ones.

On the importance of a subtle visual style

The scope and amount of plotting of this large movie required a of this large movie required a more detailed visual style than the handheld kind that I used on my previous pictures, but the overall approach had the same end goal: never distract the audience from the characters and the story. Although there are many highly stylised movies that I adore, my own approach to filmmaking is performance-centric. I never want the camera choices that I make to get between the actors and the audience. I want the audience to connect as directly







long lenses work against this idea, as do using close ups as the default shot size (most things in life are not viewed in close up and people often express themselves with their hands). Still, the look of Dragged Across Concrete was carefully planned in terms of lighting, colour palette, and use of shadows in order to create strong atmospheres and expressive tones.

On creating the soundtrack to an urban thriller

My approach to music was also non-intrusive and precise. Because I have faith in the script and the actors, I don't need to tell the audience how to feel about what is happening. The emotions should come from the content of the film, and if they don't, I don't want to force it down somebody's orchestra illustrates the many hues of Ridgeman and the others who struggle to find their melodies.

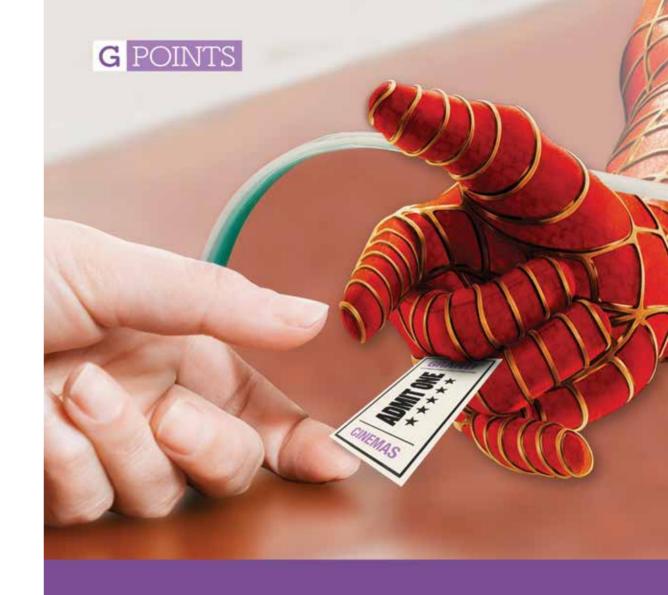
On his influences

Cinematic reference points are difficult outside of my own two Cinematic reference points are movies, but I can point to some favourites of mine that achieve my ultimate goal through very, very different means. Prince Of The City, Hana Bi (Fireworks). The Cook, The Thief, His Wife, And Her Lover, The Killing, Heat, Bridge On The River Kwai, Ping Pong, Nashville, The Sweet Smell Of Success, Taxi Driver, Gun Crazy, and The Wild Bunch all achieve something more than the mere telling of a story. Each of these pictures has distinct characters, narrative momentum, and moral complexity, but the sum of these elements is a far

greater thing. Each of these movies is a vivid fictional world. Whenever I watch these pictures, I have a sense of a world and the lives beyond the events shown in the movie. These are the movies that turned me into a committed movie fan and works of art that will survive and make people ask questions rather than spoonfeed them answers like so many didactic movies do today.

On what gets him through the difficult filmmaking process

The actors' faith in my script and direction, and my dependable cinematographer Benji Bakshi, helped me navigate this difficult production and create Dragged Across Concrete, which I [was] thrilled to premiere in Venice.



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Se3a w Noss w 5amseh

Abbas Chahine races the clock once again in the sequel to the comedy smash Se3a w Noss



bbas Chahine has literally 1hr35m to get hold of a promised amount cash enabling

him to immigrate with his fiancée Rima to Copenhagen. The odds are stacked against them and their crazy friends onboard a "flying" minibus as they race to the money. It's one obstacle after another-ultimately bringing them face to face with a very dangerous gang of outlaws.

Will Abbas make it happen this time? To find out, you need to spend One Hour and 35 Minutes at the movies, in real time!





in cinemas april 4 director NADIME MEHANNA also starring JAMAL HAMDAN, WADAD JABBOUR, GHAZAROS ALTUNIAN, MARCELLE JABBOUR, CHADY RICHA, ELIE SABA **genre** DRAMEDY 95 MINS

















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Lahon w Habs

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in cinemas march 7 director shady hanna cast hicham haddad, Jad Bou Karam, Chef ANTOINE, RACHELLE KARAM, ELIE HAWSHAN, SOULAYMA HARB, WALID DOUMIATY, NAJI HANNA ISSAM ABDELNOUR, SAMER ZOUEIN, ALBERTO KASSABIAN, ELIAS ABBOUD **genre** COMEDY

iding high on the success of Lahon w Bass, Hicham Haddad is a popular prime time TV host with incredible ratings. That all changes when he receives countless lawsuits, turning his life upside down as he faces life imprisonment. Now left with nothing, Hicham must find a way to get back to the top by facing off against his own co-host,

Hicham Haddad is about to face off with the person he least expected in a showdown that will test loyalties and his own sanity

Jad Bou Karam, and anyone who stands in the way of his future.

They're on the war path, and what happens next will defy belief.









Pupille

Fate and love bring together an orphaned child and a woman determined to become a mother

bandoned at birth, baby
Theo's uncertain future
lies in the hands of the
Child Welfare Services.

Jean, who is no stranger to the foster system, is given the responsibility of temporarily looking after Theo,
while the members of the Adoption
Agency have the difficult task of finding him a home. Meanwhile Alice,
unable to have children of her own,
has never stopped fighting to be a

mother. After facing many setbacks, Alice is finally ready to welcome a child, just when the Adoption Service is seeking a home for Theo. Thanks to the dedicated members of social services, the paths of Alice and Theo will cross with Jean's and the rest of the team along the way.

IN CINEMAS APRIL 25

director Jeanne Herry Cast Sandrine Kiberlain, Gilles Lellouche, Elodie Bouchez genre Drama 107 Mins

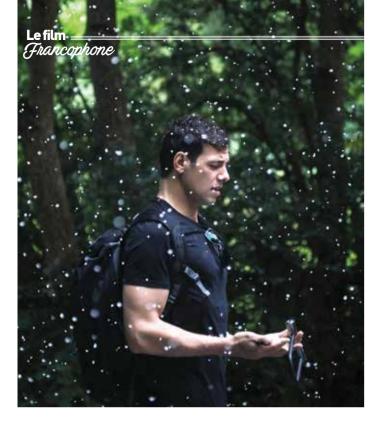


A different side of adoption

"I don't think it's a subject that cinema tends to tackle." savs director Jeanne Herry, "the moment when the baby is put up for adoption. A friend who went down the adoption road left me a message that set the whole thing off. She said, 'They called me, they've got a baby for me, a French baby. I'm going to see him in four days, and if everything goes well the baby will be at home with me in eight days.' The mixture of euphoria and panic in her voice was fascinating. The way she was experiencing the event lit me up inside."

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L'heure de la sortie

A professor suspects his students of foul play

> hen professor Capadis jumps out of the classroom window before the stunned eyes of

some pupils, a group of six students remain strangely indifferent. Pierre Hoffman, the man in charge of taking over the French classes as a substitute teacher, will immediately notice these kids' disconcerting behaviour and start to become obsessed with them, convinced that they are concocting something extremely dangerous.

IN CINEMAS MARCH 7

director sébastien marnier cast LAURENT LAFITTE, EMMANUELLE BERCOT, PASCAL GREGGORY **genre** THRILLER

COMING SOON

Facteur Cheval

At the end of the 19th century, Joseph Ferdinand Cheval (Jacques Gamblin), is a simple postman who travels every day along the Drôme. When his union with the love of his life, Philomena (Laetitia Casta), produces a child, he will devote 33 years to building her an extraordinary structure: "The Ideal Palace".

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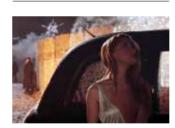
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ABOVE SUSPICION

DIRECTOR PHILLIP NOYCE CAST EMILIA
CLARKE, JOHNNY KNOXVILLE, JACK HUSTON
GENRE CRIME THRILLER OUT MAR 7

In the chilling true story, a newly married FBI poster boy assigned to an Appalachian mountain town is drawn into an illicit affair with an impoverished local woman who becomes his star informant. She sees in him her means of escape; instead, it's a ticket to disaster for both of them.



LONDON FIELDS

DIRECTOR MATHEW CULLEN CAST AMBER
HEARD, BILLY BOB THORNTON GENRE
THRILLER 118 MINS OUT MAR 7

Clairvoyant femme fatale Nicola Six has a premonition about her impending murder. Yet rather than try to save herself, she engages in the elaborate seduction of three men, one of whom she knows will be her murderer. One, an author, decides her story will form the basis of his final novel.



The Beach Bum follows the hilarious misadventures of Moondog (Matthew McConaughey), a rebellious rogue who always lives life by his own rules. Co-starring Snoop Dog, Zac Efron, and Isla Fisher, it's a refreshingly original and subversive new comedy from Harmony Korine, the director who brought us *Spring Breakers*.



THE INFORMER

DIRECTOR ANDREA DI STEFANO CAST JOEL KINNAMAN, ROSAMUND PIKE, CLIVE OWEN GENRE CRIME DRAMA 113 MINS OUT MAR 21

Honorably discharged Special Ops soldier Pete Koslow's world is turned upside-down when he is jailed after a fight to protect his wife. He's given a chance for early release by becoming an informant for the FBI to take down the most powerful crime boss in New York. But when the FBI sting results in the death of an NYPD cop, Koslow is caught in a world of impossible choices.

BETWEEN
POWER,
CORRUPTION
AND
VENGEANCE,
EVERY MOMENT
AS AN FBI
INFORMANT
COULD BE PETE
KOSLOW'S LAST

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A VIGILANTE

DIRECTOR SARAH DAGGAR-NICKSON CAST OLIVIA WILDE, MORGAN SPECTOR, TONYE PATANO GENRE CRIME THRILLER OUT MAR 14

A once abused woman, Sadie (Olivia Wilde), devotes herself to ridding victims of their domestic abusers while hunting down the husband she must kill to truly be free. A Vigilante is a thriller inspired by the

strength and bravery of real domestic abuse survivors and the incredible obstacles to safety they face.

"OLIVIA WILDE IS FEARLESS IN THE BEST PERFORMANCE OF HER CAREER." ROGEREBERTCOM



FIVE FEET APART

DIRECTOR JUSTIN BALDONI CAST HALEY LU RICHARDSON, COLE SPROUSE, CLAIRE FORLANI, MOISES ARIAS, PARMINDER NAGRA, CLAIRE FORLANI GENRE ROMANCE DRAMA OUT MAR 28

Stella is every bit a seventeen-year-old... she's attached to her laptop and loves her best friends. But unlike most teenagers, she spends much of her time living in a hospital as a cystic fibrosis patient. Her life is full of routines, until she meets an impossibly charming fellow patient named Will Newman. There's an instant flirtation, though restrictions dictate that they must maintain a safe distance between them. As their connection intensifies, so does the temptation to throw the rules out the window and embrace that attraction.



AFTER

DIRECTOR JENNY GAGE CAST HERO FIENNES TIFFIN, JOSEPHINE LANGFORD, SELMA BLAIR GENRE ROMANCE OUT APR 11

Tessa is a dedicated student, dutiful daughter and loyal girlfriend as she enters her first semester in college.

Armed with grand ambitions for her future, her guarded world opens up when she meets Hardin Scott, a brood-

ing rebel who makes her question all she thought she knew about herself and what she wants out of life.

DID YOU KNOW? After is based on author Anna Todd's best-selling novel, which became a publishing sensation on social storytelling platform Wattpad.



LITTLE

DIRECTOR TINA GORDON CHISM CAST REGINA HALL, ISSA RAE, MARSAI MARTIN GENRE COMEDY OUT APR 11

Regina Hall and Marsai Martin both star as Jordan Sanders — Hall as the take-no-prisoners tech mogul adult version of Jordan and Martin as the 13-year-old version of her who wakes up in her adult self's penthouse just before a do-or-die presentation. Jordan's long-suffering assistant, April, is the only one in on the secret that her daily tormentor is now trapped in an awkward tween body just as everything is on the line. Little is an irreverent new comedy about the price of success, the power of sisterhood and having a second chance to grow up — and glow up — right.



CAPTIVE STATE

DIRECTOR RUPERT WYATT CAST JOHN GOODMAN, VERA FARMIGA, ASHTON SANDERS, JONATHAN MAJORS GENRE SCI-FI THRILLER 109 MINS OUT APR 11

Ten years ago, they took our planet. Today, we take it back. Set in a Chicago neighbourhood nearly a decade after an occupation by an extra-terrestrial force, the sci-fi thriller *Captive State* explores the lives on both sides of the conflicts — the collaborators and the dissidents.



ESCAPE PLAN 3: DEVIL'S STATION

DIRECTOR JOHN HERZFELD CAST
SYLVESTER STALLONE, DAVE BAUTISTA,
JAIME KING, 50 CENT, RUSSELL WONG
GENRE ACTION OUT MAR 21

The daughter of a Hong Kong tech executive goes missing. Soon Ray Breslin and his crew discover the culprit is the deranged son of one of their former foes, who also kidnapped Breslin's love and is holding her inside the massive prison known as Devil's Station.



STOCKHOLM

DIRECTOR ROBERT BUDREAU CAST NOOMI RAPACE, ETHAN HAWKE, MARK STRONG, CHRISTOPHER HEYERDAHL GENRE CRIME COMEDY 92 MINS OUT MAR 21

Based on the 1973 case that originated the term "Stockholm Syndrome", Rob Budreau's Stockholm starring Ethan Hawke recounts the absurd true story that sent psychologists scrambling to explain why a group of bank clerks insisted on defending the thief who had taken them hostage.



TEEN SPIRIT

DIRECTOR MAX MINGHELLA CAST ELLE FANNING, MILLIE BRADY, REBECCA HALL, ELIZABETH BERRINGTON GENRE DRAMA MUSIC 92 MINS OUT APR 11

Violet (Elle Fanning) is a shy teenager, living in the Isle of Wight, who dreams of pop stardom as an escape from her small town and shattered family life. With the help of an unlikely mentor, Violet enters an international singing competition that will test her integrity, talent and ambition.



TRIPLE THREAT

DIRECTOR JESSE V. JOHNSON CAST CELINA
JADE, SCOTT ADKINS, MICHAEL JAI WHITE
GENRE ACTION THRILLER OUT APR 18

In the actioner starring Scott Adkins, when a hit contract is taken out on a billionaire's daughter intent on bringing down a major crime syndicate, it's time to bring in the big guns. A down and out team of mercenaries must take on a group of deadly professional assassins and stop them before they kill their target.



HURRICANE

DIRECTOR DAVID BLAIR CAST IWAN RHEON, MILO GIBSON, STEFANIE MARTINI GENRE WAR DRAMA 107 MINS OUT APR 25

Equipped with the almost-obsolete Hurricane, a group of brave Poles wage battle in the skies over England in WW2, not just to keep Britain free from the Nazis, but also to keep alive the very idea of their own country, which had existed in its modern form for barely twenty years before it was caught in the jaws of Germany and Russia.

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ISSING

When fearless explorer Sir Lionel Frost discovers a creature once thought to be myth, it's only the beginning of a great adventure



his April, meet Mr. Link: 8 feet tall, 630 lbs, and covered in fur, but don't let his appearance fool you... he is funny, sweet, and adorably literal, making him the world's most lovable legend at the

heart of Missing Link, the globe-trotting family adventure from LAIKA. Tired of living a solitary life in the Pacific Northwest, Mr. Link recruits fearless explorer Sir Lionel Frost to guide him on a journey to find his long-lost relatives in the fabled valley of Shangri-La. Along with adventurer Adelina Fortnight, our fearless trio of explorers encounter more than their fair share of peril as they travel to the far reaches of

the world to help their new friend. Through it all, the three learn that sometimes you can find a family in the places you least expect.



IN CINEMAS APRIL 18

DIRECTOR CHRIS BUTLER CAST HUGH JACKMAN, ZOE SALDANA, ZACH GALIFIANAKIS, TIMOTHY OLYPHANT, DAVID WALLIAMS, EMMA THOMPSON, MATT LUCAS, CHING VALDES-ARAN. STEPHEN FRY, AMRITA ACHARIA





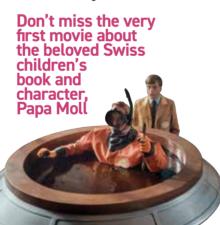
Mr Moll and the Chocolate **Factory**

DIRECTOR MANUEL FLURIN HENDRY CAST STEFAN KURT, ISABELLA SCHMID, MARTIN RAPOLD 90 MINS OUT APR 25



r Moll is working overtime at the chocolate factory and it's all hands on deck! But when the kids get

into a feud with the nasty boys next door, Mr Moll needs to step in and take charge. Is he up to the task? After all, the fight was only about cotton candy, homework and the most famous circus dog in the world.





UglyDolls

STARRING WANDA SYKES, JANELLE MONÁE, GABRIEL IGLESIAS OUT APR 25



n the adorably different town of Uglyville, weird is celebrated and strange is special. But Moxy's

curiosity about all things leads her to wonder if there's something anything - on the other side of the mountain which nestles Uglyville. Setting off with her friends, she discovers another world - Perfection - a town where more conventional dolls are trained in protocols before they graduate to the "real" world to find the love of a child. In Perfection, Moxy and her crew are subject to the manipulations of Lou, the perfect doll in charge of training recruits. Here, the UglyDolls will confront what it means to be different, struggle with their desire to be loved, and ultimately discover that you don't have to be perfect to be amazing.



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Blake Shelton as OX







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Wonder Park

DIRECTOR DYLAN BROWN **CAST** JENNIFER GARNER, MATTHEW BRODERICK, JOHN OLIVER, MILA KUNIS, KEN JEONG OUT MAR 14

One day, June is running through the woods when she finds herself in Wonderland, an amusement park she had created in her mind and put aside. But all of her rides are falling into disarray. With the help of her lovable characters, she will put the wonder back in Wonderland.





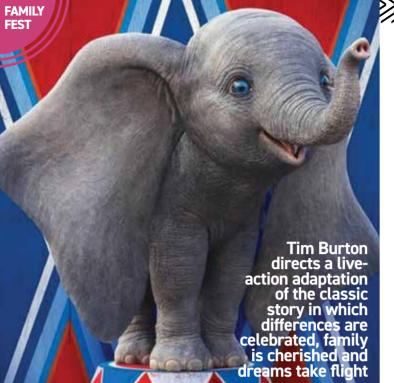
Manou the Swift

OUT MAR 21 Willem Dafoe and Kate Winslet provide the voices in the story of Manou, a little swift who grows up believing he's a seagull.



Up and Away

OUT APR 18 Hodja borrows a flying carpet to see the world and winds up on a mission to return return Diamond to her grandfather.





Dumbo

DIRECTOR TIM BURTON CAST COLIN FARRELL, DANNY DEVITO, MICHAEL KEATON, EVA GREEN. ALAN ARKIN OUT MAR 28



ircus owner Max Medici (Danny DeVito) enlists former star Holt Farrier (Colin Farrell) and his chil-

dren to care for a newborn elephant whose oversized ears make him a laughingstock in an already struggling circus. But when they discover that Dumbo can fly, the circus makes an incredible comeback, attracting persuasive entrepreneur V.A. Vandevere (Michael Keaton), who recruits the peculiar pachyderm for his newest, larger-than-life entertainment venture. Dreamland. Dumbo soars to new heights alongside a charming and spectacular aerial artist, Colette Marchant (Eva Green), until Holt



The Kid Who **Would Be King**

DIRECTOR JOE CORNISH **CAST** LOUIS ASHBOURNE SERKIS. REBECCA FERGUSON. PATRICK STEWART OUT APR 18

Alex thinks he's just another nobody, until he stumbles upon the mythical Sword in the Stone, Excalibur, Now, he must unite his friends into a band of knights and, together with the legendary wizard Merlin, take on the wicked enchantress Morgana.







With so many family adventures releasing, you'll be spoiled for choice this Easter at Grand Cinemas. We pull open our diary to remember the sweetest moments.





Easter Bunny and the GC crew are all set for a fun fest!









The Queen's Corgi

OUT JUN 6 Rex, the British monarch's favourite dog, embarks on an unforgettable journey on which he will find love, friendship and himself in this fabulous adventure.



Inspired by Queen Elizabeth's love of corgis, the comedy stars comedian Jack Whitehall.



Trouble

While trying to escape from his former owner's greedy children, a pampered dog named Trouble finds himself in the real world and learning to survive in the new adventure.



Musical stars Big Sean, Snoop Dogg and Jason Mraz lend their vocal talents to *Trouble*.



Toy Story 4

OUT JUN 20 In the fourth entry starring Tom Hanks and Tim Allen, a new toy called "Forky" joins the gang as they discover how big the world can be for a toy. What a guest list!



Toy Story 4 features epic new cast members, including Keanu Reeves and Michael Keaton



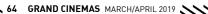
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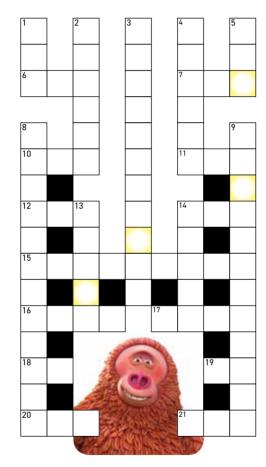
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- 6 Despicable dad (not really)
- 7 Which character plays the teacher to the group in the Winnie the Pooh animated series?
- 10 The star of Ratatouille is this cute little creature.
- 11 In Hoodwinked!, who does Red Puckett visit in the woods?
- 12 Garfield is one.
- 14 Mr. Elliot supplied the voice of Butch in The Good Dinosaur.
- 15 This Pixar movie won the 9 DOWN in 2016.
- 16 Mater suffers from this problem in Cars.



- 17 In one episode of The Simpsons, Bart catches a three-____ fish.
- 18 Who Framed Roger Rabbit? was filmed in this city.
- 19 Memorable quote from 4 DOWN: "__, everyone. I'm Olaf and I like warm hugs!"
- 20 ____ to Train Your Dragon
- 21 He gives Jerry a really hard time, but the poor guy never wins.



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SOLUTION Mystery star: LINK

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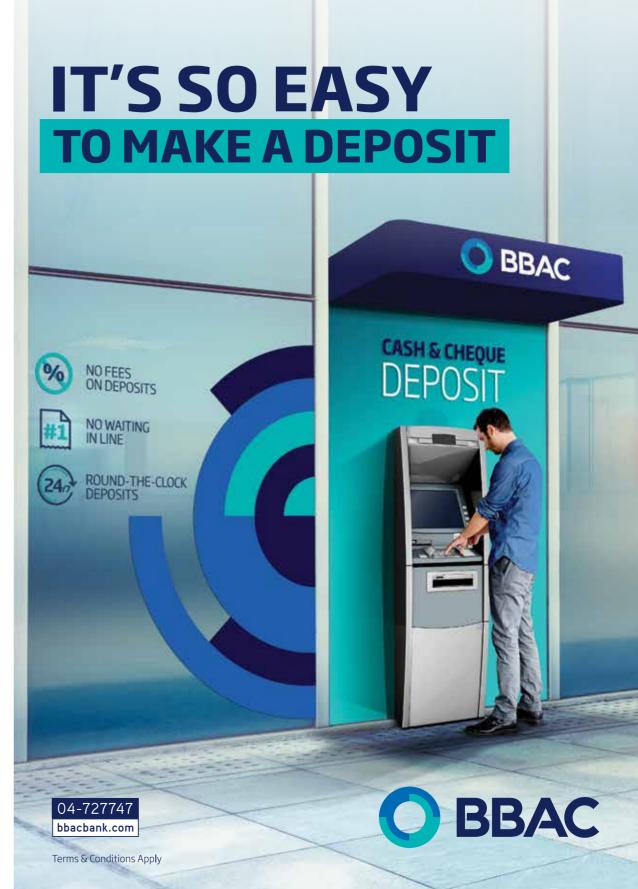
- 1 Another word for Aladdin's mode of transportation
- 2 Michael J. Fox provided the voice for ____ Little.
- 3 Jack Black unleashed his awesomeness to voice this big tub of fun.
- Guess the movie.

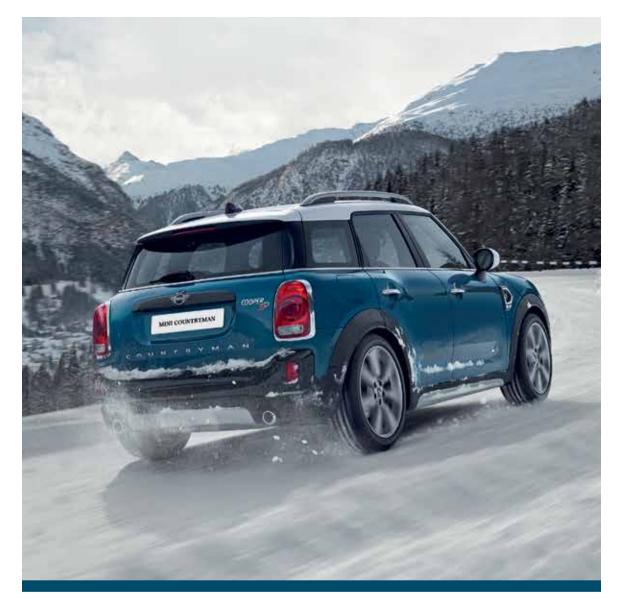


- 5 This is the transparent sheet used to draw traditionally animated movies.
- 8 In 2012, this character set out to be the Good Guy of his arcade game, and in 2018 he broke the internet.
- Oscar category for feature-length cartoons (2 words)
- 13 Manny of Ice Age has the biggest, whitest ones in town.



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