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Summer's gone, and though there's still sunshine, things are about to get dark. Pennywise makes a terrifying return in the final chapter of IT before we're back in the world of The Shining in Doctor Sleep. There's a new Blumhouse horror where people become prey in The Hunt and the return of everyone's favourite zombie slayers in Zombieland: Double Tap.

Prefer your frights more family-friendly? Look no further than America's spookiest neighbours as The Addams Family make their animated feature debut.

Angelina Jolie is back as iconic Disney villain Maleficent, while Shaun The Sheep faces a close encounter of the furred kind.

But it's not all ghouls and ghosts this autumn. Arnie's back as The Terminator, Stallone returns as Rambo, Will Smith faces himself in Gemini Man, Brad Pitt takes to the stars in Ad Astra, Joaquin Phoenix becomes the Joker, and best of all, Downton Abbey reopens its doors as the popular period drama gets the big-screen treatment.

Until next time!

Craig May Editor

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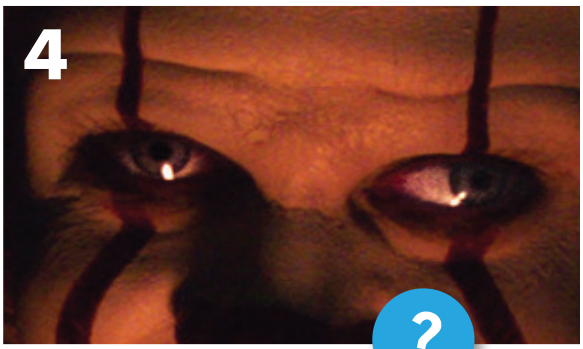
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The eyes have it! Can you spot the eight famous faces that appear in a September / October film release?





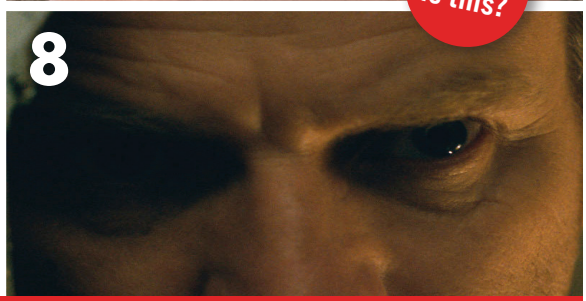












Answers: 1. Shaun The Sheep 2. Angelina Jolie 3. Will Smith 4. Pennywise 5. Renée Zellweger 6. Linda Hamilton 7. Joaquin Phoenix 8. Ewan McGregor

TERMINATOR
DARK FATE

He said he'd be back! Arnold Schwarzenegger returns to The Terminator franchise for a direct sequel to Terminator 2 that welcomes you to the day after Judgment Day. But before you see humans, machines, and human-machine hybrids go toe to toe, test your knowledge of Terminator: Dark Fate and the Terminator franchise with our trivia quiz.

1. What model number is Arnie's original Terminator?

2. Arnie isn't returning alone! Linda Hamilton is back as which badass action heroine?

3. What is the name of the sentient AI villain of the franchise?

4. Terminator: Dark Fate is directed by Tim Miller who previously helmed which R-rated superhero film?

5. Who stars as the new human-machine hybrid Grace?

6. Gabriel Luna joins the cast as a new, modified Terminator prototype that's made from what material?

7. How many years after T2 is Terminator: Dark Fate set?

8. Which legendary filmmaker returns to the franchise he created as writer and producer of Terminator: Dark Fate?







Answers... 1. T-800 2. Sarah Connor 3. Skynet 4. Deadpool 5. Mackenzie Davis 6. Liquid Metal 7. 27 8. James Cameron

WHAT'S ON

THE UNMISSABLE NEW RELEASES



ONE SMALL STEP FOR LAMB KIND

A SHAUN THE SHEEP MOVIE: FARMAGEDDON

RELEASE DATE 18 OCTOBER /
Directors Will Becher, Richard Phelan /
Starring Justin Fletcher, John Sparkes, Kate Harbour /
Genre Adventure, Family, Sci-Fi

Strange lights over the town of Mossingham herald the arrival of a mystery visitor from far across the galaxy. When an intergalactic visitor - an impish and adorable alien called Lu-La - crashlands near Mossy Bottom Farm, Shaun soon sees an opportunity for alien-powered fun and adventure and sets off on a mission to shepherd Lu-La home. Her magical alien powers, irrepressible mischief, and galactic-sized burps soon have the whole flock enchanted. Shaun takes his new extra-terrestrial friend on the road to Mossingham Forest to find her lost spaceship, unaware that a sinister alien-hunting agency is on their trail.
Can Shaun and the flock avert Farmageddon on Mossy Bottom Farm before it's too late?



THE ADDAMS FAMILY

RELEASE DATE 25 OCTOBER / Directors Greg Tiernan, Conrad Vernon **/ Starring** Charlize Theron, Oscar Isaac, Chloë Grace Moretz **/ Genre** Animation, Comedy, Horror

» Get ready to snap your fingers! The Addams Family is back on the big screen in the first animated comedy about this creepy and kooky clan. You may think your family is weird but the outlandish, bizarre, and completely iconic Addams Family will have you thinking again. Bringing the world's freakiest family bang up to date is an all-star voice cast including Oscar Isaac as Gomez Addams, Charlize Theron as Morticia Addams, Chloë Grace Moretz as Wednesday Addams, Finn Wolfhard as Pugsley Addams, and Nick Kroll as Uncle Fester.



THE LEGEND BEHIND THE RAINBOW

JUDY

RELEASE DATE 2 OCTOBER / Director Rupert Goold / **Starring** Renée Zellweger, Jessie Buckley, Finn Wittrock / **Genre** Biography, Drama, Romance

Winter 1968 and showbiz legend Judy Garland arrives in Swinging London to perform in a sell-out run at The Talk of the Town. It's thirty years since she shot to global stardom in The Wizard Of Oz, but if her voice has weakened, its dramatic intensity has only grown. As she prepares for the show, battles with management, charms musicians, and reminisces with friends and adoring fans, her wit and warmth shine through. And yet Judy is fragile. After working for forty-five of her forty-seven years, she's exhausted; haunted by memories of a childhood lost to Hollywood; gripped by a desire to be back home with her kids. Will she have the strength to go on? Featuring some of her best-known songs, Judy celebrates the voice, the capacity for love, and the sheer pizzazz of the world's greatest entertainer.





POMS

RELEASE DATE 27 SEPTEMBER / Director Zara Hayes / **Starring** Diane Keaton, Jacki Weaver, Pam Grier / **Genre** Comedy, Drama

» From the studio that brought you Finding Your Feet and the producer of Book Club comes an uplifting comedy about Martha (Diane Keaton), an introverted woman who moves into a sunny retirement community where she reignites her childhood passion for cheerleading. With the help of her fun-loving fellow residents - Sheryl (Jacki Weaver), Olive (Pam Grier), and Alice (Rhea Perlman) - Martha comes out of her shell and starts a cheerleading squad of seniors. Together, they enter a national cheerleading competition, proving that it's never too late to follow your dreams.



Ad Astra

RELEASE DATE 18 SEPTEMBER /
Director James Gray **/ Starring** Brad Pitt, Tommy Lee Jones, Liv Tyler **/**
Genre Adventure, Mystery, Sci-Fi

After an apocalyptic event dubbed “the Surge” causes chaos on Earth, astronaut Roy McBride travels to the outer edges of the solar system to find his missing father and unravel a mystery that threatens the survival of our planet. His journey will uncover secrets that challenge the nature of human existence and our place in the cosmos.



The Goldfinch

RELEASE DATE 27 SEPTEMBER /
Director John Crowley **/ Starring** Ansel Elgort, Nicole Kidman, Jeffrey Wright **/**
Genre Drama

Theo Decker was just thirteen when his mother was killed in a bombing at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The tragedy sends him on a stirring odyssey of grief and guilt, reinvention and redemption, and even love. Through it all, he holds on to one tangible piece of hope from that terrible day...a painting of a tiny bird chained to its perch: The Goldfinch.



DOWNTON ABBEY

RELEASE DATE 13 SEPTEMBER /
Director Michael Engler **/ Starring** Hugh Bonneville, Maggie Smith, Michelle Dockery **/ Genre** Drama, History

» Reuniting the beloved cast from the acclaimed television series, Downton Abbey continues the story of life inside the Edwardian country house at the turn of the 20th century. Set in 1927, two years after the show’s finale, the Crawley family and their servants are preparing for a royal visit from King George V and Queen Mary, which will include a luncheon, a parade, and dinner.



Maleficent: Mistress Of Evil

RELEASE DATE 18 OCTOBER / Director Joachim Rønning **/**
Starring Angelina Jolie, Elle Fanning, Michelle Pfeiffer **/**
Genre Adventure, Family, Fantasy

Picking up several years after Maleficent, in which audiences learned of the events that hardened the heart of Disney’s most notorious villain and drove her to curse a baby Princess Aurora, Maleficent: Mistress Of Evil continues to explore the complex relationship between the horned fairy and the soon to be Queen. In this epic fantasy adventure, Maleficent and Aurora form new alliances and face new adversaries in their struggle to protect the moors and the magical creatures that reside within.



Abominable

RELEASE DATE 11 OCTOBER / Directors Jill Culton, Todd Wilderman **/ Starring** Chloe Bennet, Sarah Paulson, Eddie Izzard **/ Genre** Adventure, Comedy, Fantasy

When teenage Yi encounters a young Yeti on the roof of her apartment, she and her mischievous friends name him “Everest” and embark on an epic two-thousand-mile adventure from the streets of Shanghai to the breathtaking Himalayan snowscapes to reunite the magical creature with his family at the highest point on Earth. But the trio of friends will have to stay one step ahead of Burnish, a wealthy man intent on capturing a Yeti, and zoologist Dr Zara to help Everest get home.



THE WORLD WILL SHINE AGAIN

DOCTOR SLEEP

RELEASE DATE 31 OCTOBER / Director Mike Flanagan **/ Starring** Ewan McGregor, Kyliegh Curran, Rebecca Ferguson **/ Genre** Horror, Mystery, Thriller

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

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." Instinctively recognising that Dan shares her power, Abra has sought him out, desperate for his help against the merciless Rose The Hat and her followers, The True Knot, who feed off the shine of innocents in their quest for immortality. Forming an unlikely alliance, Dan and Abra engage in a brutal life-or-death battle with Rose. Abra's innocence and fearless embrace of her shine compel Dan to call upon his own powers as never before - at once facing his fears and reawakening the ghosts of the past.



Film Shorts

READY OR NOT

RELEASE DATE
27 SEPTEMBER

» Samara Weaving stars as a young bride who joins her new husband's rich, eccentric family in a time-honoured tradition that turns hide and seek into a lethal game with everyone fighting for their survival.

COUNTDOWN

RELEASE DATE 25 OCTOBER

» After downloading an app that predicts exactly when a person is going to die, a young nurse discovers that she is supposed to die in just three days and must figure out why her time is running out and who, or what is the mysterious figure following her.



Joker

RELEASE DATE 4 OCTOBER /
Director Todd Phillips **/ Starring** Joaquin Phoenix, Robert De Niro, Zazie Beetz **/ Genre** Crime, Drama, Thriller

The iconic Batman villain's origins are transformed into a standalone story that explores the world of, and according to, Arthur Fleck. A clown-for-hire by day and aspiring stand-up comic at night…but the joke always seems to be on him. Caught in a cyclical existence teetering on the precipice of madness, one bad decision brings about a chain reaction of escalating, ultimately deadly, events.



Hustlers

RELEASE DATE 13 SEPTEMBER /
Director Lorene Scafaria **/ Starring** Jennifer Lopez, Constance Wu, Cardi B **/ Genre** Comedy, Crime, Thriller

Inspired by the viral New York Magazine article "The Hustlers at Scores" by Jessica Pressler, this real-life revenge tale tells the story of Destiny, a down-on-her-luck stripper who teams up with her mentor Ramona to make millions. Together they form a crew of savvy former strip club employees who band together to turn the tables on their Wall Street clients.



IT CHAPTER TWO

RELEASE DATE 6 SEPTEMBER /
Director Andy Muschietti **/ Starring** James McAvoy, Jessica Chastain, Bill Skarsgård **/ Genre** Horror, Thriller

» Twenty-seven years after the Losers Club defeated Pennywise, IT has returned to Derry. Now adults, the Losers have gone their separate ways. However, kids are disappearing again, so Mike, the only one of the group to remain in their hometown, calls the others home. Damaged by the experiences of their past, they must each conquer their deepest fears to destroy Pennywise once and for all.



Rambo: Last Blood

RELEASE DATE 19 SEPTEMBER / Director Adrian Grunberg **/ Starring** Sylvester Stallone, Paz Vega, Sergio Peris-Mencheta **/ Genre** Action, Adventure, Thriller

Almost four decades after he drew first blood, Sylvester Stallone is back as one of the greatest action heroes of all time, John Rambo. Retired on his father's ranch in Arizona, Rambo's peace is disturbed when he discovers that a friend's young granddaughter has been kidnapped by the Mexican drug cartel. Now, Rambo must confront his past and unearth his ruthless combat skills to exact revenge on a final mission. This deadly journey of vengeance marks the last chapter of the legendary series.



Terminator: Dark Fate

RELEASE DATE 23 OCTOBER / Director Tim Miller **/ Starring** Linda Hamilton, Mackenzie Davis, Arnold Schwarzenegger **/ Genre** Action, Adventure, Sci-Fi

Twenty-seven years after the events of Terminator 2: Judgment Day, a new human-cyborg hybrid Grace protects a young girl who is being hunted by an advanced, modified liquid metal Terminator. Sarah Connor comes to their aid, as well as the original Terminator T-800, in a fight for the future. From producer James Cameron and Deadpool director Tim Miller, Terminator: Dark Fate sees Linda Hamilton, Edward Furlong, and Arnold Schwarzenegger return to their iconic roles.


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Zombieland: Double Tap

RELEASE DATE 18 OCTOBER /
Director Ruben Fleischer **/ Starring** Jesse Eisenberg, Woody Harrelson, Emma Stone **/ Genre** Action, Comedy, Horror

Through comic mayhem that stretches from the White House and through the heartland, Columbus, Tallahassee, Wichita, and Little Rock must face off against many new kinds of zombies that have evolved since the first movie, as well as some new human survivors. But most of all, they have to face the growing pains of their own family.



Hotel Mumbai

RELEASE DATE 27 SEPTEMBER /
Director Anthony Maras **/ Starring** Dev Patel, Armie Hammer, Jason Isaacs **/ Genre** Drama, History, Thriller

The astonishing true story of the devastating terrorist attacks on the famed Taj Hotel in Mumbai in 2008. Focusing on the heroic actions of the renowned chef, waiter, and hotel staff who risked their lives to save the lives of their guests, Hotel Mumbai is a gripping thriller that honours the humanity that can arise from moments of extreme adversity.



GEMINI MAN

RELEASE DATE 11 OCTOBER /
Director Ang Lee **/ Starring** Will Smith, Clive Owen, Mary Elizabeth Winstead **/ Genre** Action, Sc-Fi, Thriller

» Two-time Academy Award-winning filmmaker Ang Lee returns with an innovative action-thriller that uses sophisticated de-ageing visual effects to pit present-day Will Smith against a younger version of himself. Elite assassin Henry Brogan is targeted by a mysterious young operative that can seemingly predict his every move. After confronting his pursuer, he discovers that he's being hunted by his clone.



The Kitchen

RELEASE DATE 20 SEPTEMBER / Director Andrea Berloff **/ Starring** Melissa McCarthy, Tiffany Haddish, Elisabeth Moss **/ Genre** Action, Crime, Drama

New York City, 1978. The twenty blocks of pawnshops, porn palaces, and dive bars between 8th Avenue and the Hudson River owned by the Irish mafia and known as Hell's Kitchen was never the easiest place to live. Or the safest. But for mob wives Kathy, Ruby, and Claire things are about to take a radical, dramatic turn. When their husbands are sent to prison by the FBI the women take business into their own hands, running the rackets and taking out the competition…literally. Now they own the neighbourhood.



Official Secrets

RELEASE DATE 18 OCTOBER / Director Gavin Hood **/ Starring** Keira Knightley, Matt Smith, Matthew Goode **/ Genre** Biography, Drama, Thriller

It takes an act of courage to expose secrets. In 2003, as politicians in Britain and the U.S. angle to invade Iraq, GCHQ translator Katharine Gun leaks a classified e-mail that urges spying on members of the UN Security Council to force through the resolution to go to war. Charged with breaking the Official Secrets Act, and facing imprisonment, Katharine and her lawyers set out to defend her actions. With her life, liberty, and marriage threatened, she must stand up for what she believes in.


BAIT


THE FARWELL

ONSCREEN ON INDIE

We take a look at the best limited release, independent, documentary, and world cinema films showing on select screens in September / October.

Bait

RELEASE DATE 30 AUGUST / Director Mark Jenkin **/ Starring** Edward Rowe, Giles King, Mary Woodvine **/ Genre** Comedy, Drama

A Cornish fisherman is struggling to buy a boat while coping with family rivalry and the influx of London money, Airbnb, and stag parties to his harbour village. The summer season brings simmering tensions between the locals and newcomers to boiling point, with tragic consequences. Mark Jenkin's Bait is a timely and funny, yet poignant new film that gets to the heart of a community facing up unwelcome change.

The Farewell

RELEASE DATE 20 SEPTEMBER / Director Lulu Wang **/ Starring** Awkwafina, Diana Lin, Shuzhen Zhao **/ Genre** Comedy, Drama

In this funny, uplifting tale based on an actual lie, Chinese-born Billi reluctantly returns to Changchun to find that, although the whole family knows their beloved matriarch, Nai-Nai, has been given mere weeks to live, everyone has decided not to tell Nai Nai herself. To assure her happiness, they gather under the joyful guise of an expedited wedding, where Billi must navigate a minefield of family expectations and proprieties.

The Day Shall Come

RELEASE DATE 11 OCTOBER / Director Christopher Morris **/ Starring** Marchánt Davis, Anna Kendrick, Jim Gaffigan **/ Genre** Comedy

Based on one-hundred true stories, the explosive new film from Brass Eye and Four Lions director Chris Morris is an emotionally gripping, laugh out loud thriller that exposes the dark farce at the heart of the homeland security project: it's harder to catch a real terrorist than it is to manufacture your own.

Black And Blue

RELEASE DATE 25 OCTOBER / Director Deon Taylor **/ Starring** Naomie Harris, Tyrese Gibson, Frank Grillo **/ Genre** Action, Crime, Thriller

When a rookie cop witnesses a corrupt officer murder a young drug dealer and inadvertently captures the crime on her body cam, she teams up with the one person from her community who is willing to help her as she tries to escape both the criminals out for revenge and the police who are desperate to destroy the incriminating footage.



ONE TO WATCH

Farming

RELEASE DATE 11 OCTOBER / Director Adewale Akinnuoye-Agbaje **/ Starring** Damson Idris, Kate Beckinsale, Gugu Mbatha-Raw **/ Genre** Biography, Crime, Drama

» Based on his own life story, Adewale Akinnuoye-Agbaje's Farming charts the extraordinary journey of a young fostered Nigerian boy who, struggling to find an identity, falls in with a skinhead gang in 1980's England. Told with brutal honesty, Farming is an unflinching autobiographical portrait of a young man who must battle the odds and realise that, in a world of hate, his toughest battle will be learning to love himself.


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An ageing assassin is hunted by a man who can predict his every move. To his horror, he realises he's facing his own young clone with all his strengths and skills, and none of his weaknesses.

WORDS **CHRIS WASEY**

RELEASE DATE 11 OCTOBER / Director Ang Lee **/ Starring** Will Smith, Clive Owen, Mary Elizabeth Winstead **/ Genre** Action, Sc-Fi, Thriller

Twenty-three-year-old Will Smith faces off against fifty-year-old Will Smith, and the result is breathtaking. After decades of uncanny valley, Hollywood has perfected de-ageing.

Languishing in development hell for over twenty years, Gemini Man was finally completed when the technology was ready to fully realise director Ang Lee's vision. A high-concept premise perfectly suited to his light, high-energy style, topped here with a charismatic leading man and heart-thumping action.

Henry Brogan, the greatest assassin of his generation, is done. But his one-time mentor Clay Verris (Clive Owen) has other ideas. Years earlier, Clay isolated Henry's DNA and created a clone of his prodigy. And the only way to truly test his creation - a twenty-three-year-old called Junior (also played by Smith, integrating mo-cap for a seamless result) - is to have him murder the original.

Facing a much younger and more resilient version of himself, Henry must use every skill borne from thirty years of experience to survive.

As cinema skews so heavily to monster carnage and Marvel superheroes, Gemini Man is set to be the most original action franchise of the decade. It's good to be excited about Will Smith again; now two for the price of one.


GEMINI MAN

Uncanny Valley

Will Smith's Junior is near-perfect. But there were a lot of attempts before we got there...

IAN MCKELLEN & PATRICK STEWART (X MEN: LAST STAND)
Great ambition, but creepy even in the wide shots. Super-powered waxworks.
★☆☆☆☆

JEFF BRIDGES (TRON: LEGACY)
This once-impressive example hasn't aged well. Cold, vacant eyes.
★★☆☆☆

ROBERT DOWNEY JR. (CAPTAIN AMERICA: CIVIL WAR)
Nearly there. Great at a distance, but close-ups & dialogue a little unsettling.
★★★☆☆

BRAD PITT (THE CURIOUS CASE OF BENJAMIN BUTTON)
Hugely impressive for the year. Fincher masterfully uses lighting to help hide any flaws.
★★★★☆

KURT RUSSELL (GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY VOL. 2)
Natural movement and real emotion, even in the eyes. Young, old, or CGI, we love you, Kurt.
★★★★☆



DOWNTON ABBEY

DRESS FOR THE OCCASION

British television royalty makes its long-awaited debut on the big screen, focusing on the continued exploits of the Crawley family.

WORDS **AARON POTTER**

RELEASE DATE 13 SEPTEMBER /
Director Michael Engler **/ Starring** Hugh Bonneville, Laura Carmichael, Maggie Smith **/ Genre** Drama

Few historical period dramas gripped the world as much as ITV's Downtown Abbey did during its original 2010-2015 run. That's why it should come as no surprise to learn that now, almost five years later, the eponymous English country estate and its inhabitants are the subject of a feature-length movie which serves as a direct continuation. What has the Crawley family been up to since we last saw them?

Picking up in autumn of 1927, the movie sees a prestigious visit to Downton Abbey made by King George V and Queen Mary. Everything needs to be prim and proper before they arrive, as you can imagine, but the estate is finding it harder to function with half its operating budget being cut. As such, everyone's favourite characters are forced to pull together to ensure the royal family's visit goes off without a hitch.

Julian Fellowes, the award-winning creator of the original show, is back to script Downton Abbey's first silver screen outing. Hugh Bonneville's Robert Crawley, Michelle Dockery's Lady Talbot, and Maggie Smith's Dowager Countess of Grantham also return, adding extra legitimacy to a celebrated TV show making the cinematic leap.

BRITISH TV GOES TO THE MOVIES

MR BEAN'S HOLIDAY (2007)
This wasn't the first time Rowan Atkinson's loveable buffoon went Hollywood, but it certainly felt the truest. His trip through France sees calamity always one step away as Bean disastrously tries to reunite a lost boy and his father.

THE INBETWEENERS MOVIE (2011)
If you thought Will, Simon, Jay, and Neil couldn't get into any more scrapes, their trip to Malia proves you wrong. From awkward breakdancing to skinny-dipping mishaps, this delivers gross-out hilarity on an international scale.

ABSOLUTELY FABULOUS: THE MOVIE (2016)
Turns out knocking Kate Moss into the River Thames has its consequences, as the Ab Fab crew discovered when they were forced into hiding. Luckily the South of France isn't all terrible, providing you can keep your head down.

THE WICKED WILL RISE

Maleficent has found a loving existence alongside Goddaughter Aurora. But with an impending wedding and a magical new threat, her darkness rises once again - and the human/magical war becomes inevitable.

WORDS **CHRIS WASEY**

RELEASE DATE 18 OCTOBER / Director Joachim Rønning **/ Starring** Angelina Jolie, Elle Fanning, Michelle Pfeiffer **/ Genre** Adventure, Family, Fantasy

A movie is only as good as its villain. In Sleeping Beauty, Maleficent was one of cinema's most enigmatic and foreboding, bringing genuine terror to a generation of children. Made front and centre, her live-action 2014 origin story was a worldwide hit.

Reframing a fifty-year-old story to give a brand-new perspective, the film marked the first time Disney had re-worked one of its classics. Revealing the pain caused by a cruel first love, Maleficent's immeasurable power was rivalled only by her regret for the curse she placed in the throes of that heartbreak. But having battled to save Aurora, a fragile truce stands between the kingdoms of man and magic.

With Aurora set to marry Prince Phillip, we are introduced to his parents - King John and Queen Ingrith (Michelle Pfeiffer), who seem openly hostile to magical beings. Manipulated and antagonised, Maleficent snaps, setting off a chain of events that sets them on a course for all-out human/magical war.

Although 2019's Disney hype may have gone to live-action re-skins and a low-key superhero team up, Mistress Of Evil presents a complex, vulnerable antihero. And this is where the real Disney magic lies.

WICKED VILLAINY

Other Disney villains ripe for live-action origin stories. What might they look like?

CRUELLA DE VIL (101 DALMATIONS)
Passionate animal rights activist Cruella is bitten by her boyfriend's dalmation, contracting Pasteurella, which ravages her body. Life savings are drained to pay medical bills. She resorts to extreme measures.

SCAR (THE LION KING)
The intellectual firstborn heir to Pride Rock is disdained by his father, and instead his brutish younger brother rules "everything the light touches" with an iron paw. Scar gathers the hyena underclass. The rebellion begins.

MAN (BAMBI)
A Wall Street banker loses everything in the financial crash. Moving in to his father's hunting lodge, the two loathe each other's politics and values. Relentlessly tormented as a "snowflake millennial," he vows to prove his father wrong…and makes a terrible choice.



IT CHAPTER TWO

FLOAT ON

Twenty-seven years after Pennywise's defeat at the hands of The Losers' Club, the ancient evil has reawakened from its slumber beneath the sleepy town of Derry to once again feed upon the fear of its inhabitants.

WORDS **BRODY ROSSITER**

RELEASE DATE 6 SEPTEMBER / **Director** Andy Muschietti / **Starring** James McAvoy, Jessica Chastain, Bill Skarsgård / **Genre** Horror, Thriller

Following the cinematic revival of Stephen King's IT franchise back in 2017, a grinning face of fear rose from the sewers of Derry and besieged audiences around the world with a series of spine-tingling antics.

This September, the second chapter of Pennywise's reemergence finds the wicked force once again wreaking havoc upon the town and hungering for a rematch with those who dealt the dancing clown defeat years ago.

After departing from their childhood home following the events of Chapter One, The Losers' Club receive a startling message and must return to where it all began. Can they bring an end to Pennywise once and for all?

Alongside the much-loved original cast, a star-studded line-up has joined the franchise to portray The Losers' Club adult incarnations. Jessica Chastain, James McAvoy, and Bill Hader are just three of the names signed up for Pennywise's next chilling performance.

Liberally splattered with shocking set pieces, insidious scares, and revelatory moments, IT Chapter Two looks set to be a fitting finale to the eerie events that have plagued generations. However, before it ends, you'll have to float again.

FROM PAGE TO SCREEN

Given IT's celebrated literary origins, it only makes sense that even more of Stephen King's prose should rise to the surface for the second instalment of the franchise. Trailers have hinted at a selection of King's most iconic and controversial scenes taking shape on the big screen. From the reintroduction of long-lost characters, to an infamous moment featuring otherworldly fortune cookies, to a deeply unsettling glimpse into Pennywise's origins, King's signature is perhaps clearer than ever upon the film's content. Easter eggs have also hinted at the arrival of Maturin the Turtle, a benevolent godlike creature who may well prove pivotal in the fight against IT, while hinting at the inclusion of the author's wider universe being folded into the story.

WELCOME BACK TO ZOMBIELAND

Double-tap: two shots fired in rapid succession. Although ten years between a film and its sequel can hardly be considered "rapid"…it's Zombieland, where they play by their own rules.

WORDS **ROBB SHEPPARD**

RELEASE DATE 18 OCTOBER / Director Ruben Fleischer / **Starring** Jesse Eisenberg, Woody Harrelson, Emma Stone / **Genre** Action, Comedy, Horror

This follow-up to 2009's zom-com finds our gang of four expertly traversing post-apocalyptic America, trouncing the undead as they go and taking up residency in the White House. Woody Harrelson's Tallahassee as the makeshift President? No comment.

Tallahassee and the returning crew - Columbus (Eisenberg) and Wichita (Stone) - become all protective over Little Rock (Breslin) when she takes off on a road trip with a new hippy boyfriend (nicknamed Berkeley). Once in pursuit, the action ups the ante from the original with enough slo-mo explosions to keep Michael Bay's interest piqued. The zombies themselves have evolved into a greater challenge, and then there's the appearance of some very familiar-looking survivors.

Ruben Fleischer returns to direct, fresh off the back of Venom, along with Deadpool writers Paul Wernick and Rhett Reese, so you're bound to walk out with some new favourite quotes. Throw in Dave Callaham, who's on screenplay duties for the MCU's Shang-Chi And The Legend Of The Ten Rings, and you're right to be dead excited.

As always, keep your eye out for the odd cameo here or there. You never know who's going to come back from the dead.

Onscreen's Rules For Survival

DOUBLE TAP

How many times has a zombie jumped back up from the dead? Too many times, by our count. That's why the team at Onscreen double-check everything: under our bed, in the wardrobe, locking our doors. It just makes sense.

ASSEMBLE A TEAM

Zombieland's four slayers assign themselves nicknames based on their place of origin to avoid emotional attachments. Which makes us "Leicester," "Bristol," and "Redruth." Doesn't quite have the same ring to it, does it?

CARDIO (STARTING TOMORROW)

Here at Onscreen Magazine, we spend our days in the cinema and we survive on popcorn, pretzels, and Pepsi. If there's ever a zombie apocalypse, let's hope they're George Romero's dawdling type…rather than the sprinting variety of Zombieland.



FEATURE

SNOW PLACE LIKE HOME

When a young girl discovers a yeti on the rooftop of her building, she must set off on an abominable adventure to take him back to the Himalayan mountains.

WORDS **HARRY FAINT**

RELEASE DATE 11 OCTOBER /
Directors Jill Culton, Todd Wilderman **/**
Starring Chloe Bennet, Sarah Paulson, Eddie Izzard **/ Genre** Adventure, Comedy, Fantasy

This latest adventure from DreamWorks Animation takes us to Shanghai, China where we meet Yi, a talented teenage violinist who longs to leave the mundanity of everyday life to see the world as her father wished for her. One evening, as Yi plays her violin on the rooftops, she realises she has an unusual audience of one: a fluffy magical yeti.

Having nicknamed him Everest, after the world's tallest mountain, Yi and her friends must venture out into the wilderness and journey through beautiful yet dangerous terrain to return him to his family. To make things harder, hot on their tails are two threats to Everest's life: a fiendishly wealthy animal collector and a clever zoologist, both hoping to capture the yeti for their own benefit.

This film marks DreamWorks' final feature animation of the decade, and the studio deliberately collaborated with Shanghai-based Pearl Animation Studio to make Shanghai authentic. Abominable is sure to touch the hearts of many, as Yi learns that while wishing to travel and have adventures around the world is great, sometimes going home is the biggest adventure.



READY FOR YETI

The folklore surrounding the yeti has fascinated western society for years, with the term "abominable snowman" being coined in 1921 by explorer Charles Howard-Bury. Here are some yeti-inspired animated characters that have hit our screens:

MONSTERS INC. (2001)
Mike and Sulley meet the yeti in the Himalayas and in the prequel Monsters University, we find out he was banished to the mountains for messing with the mail.

SMALLFOOT (2018)
Last year, the yeti myth was turned on its head. Channing Tatum stars as a yeti who comes across a human, when they had thought man to be myth.

MISSING LINK (2019)
Just this year, audiences met Mr Link, a real gentle giant who led us on a hair-raising adventure to find his long-lost relatives.

ABOMINABLE (2019)
In this latest offering, the adorable abominable Everest doesn't speak but can be understood through his grunts and groans.


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FORTHCOMING FILMS TO GET EXCITED ABOUT



THE GANG IS BACK, BUT THE GAME HAS CHANGED

JUMANJI: THE NEXT LEVEL

RELEASE DATE 13 DECEMBER / Director Jake Kasdan **/ Starring** Dwayne Johnson, Kevin Hart, Karen Gillan **/ Genre** Action, Adventure, Comedy

When Spencer is sucked back into Jumanji, his friends Fridge, Martha, and Bethany go back in to save him. But on their return, they discover that nothing is as they remember. While Martha returns to her role as Ruby Roundhouse (Karen Gillan), Spencer and Bethany are both missing, Fridge is now playing as Professor Shelly Oberon (Jack Black), and Spencer's grandfather Eddie (Danny Devito) and his friend Milo (Danny Glover) have accidentally joined the game as Dr Smolder Bravestone (Dwayne Johnson) and Franklin "Moose" Finbar (Kevin Hart).

Now the teens must navigate their new characters, find Spencer and Bethany, and ensure the two confused senior citizens survive the game that's deadlier than ever. Jumanji: The Next Level will see the players brave parts unknown and unexplored, in order to escape the world's most dangerous game.



STAR WARS: THE RISE OF SKYWALKER

Star Wars: The Rise Of Skywalker

RELEASE DATE 19 DECEMBER / Director J.J. Abrams **/ Starring**: Daisy Ridley, Adam Driver, John Boyega **/ Genre**: Action, Adventure, Sci-Fi

No one's ever really gone. Picking up after the dramatic events of The Last Jedi, The Rise Of Skywalker concludes the story of Rey, Finn, Poe, and Kylo Ren as the surviving Resistance face the First Order in the final chapter of the Skywalker saga.


FROZEN II


CHARLIE'S ANGELS

Frozen II

RELEASE DATE
22 NOVEMBER / Directors Chris Buck, Jennifer Lee / **Starring** Idina Menzel, Kristen Bell, Josh Gad / **Genre** Adventure, Fantasy, Musical

Why was Elsa born with magical powers? The answer is calling her and threatening her kingdom. Together with Anna, Kristoff, Olaf, and Sven, she sets out on a dangerous but remarkable journey beyond Arendelle to find the origins of her powers. In Frozen, Elsa feared her powers were too much for the world. In Frozen II, she must hope they are enough.

Charlie's Angels

RELEASE DATE
29 NOVEMBER / Director Elizabeth Banks / **Starring** Naomi Scott, Kristen Stewart, Ella Balinska / **Genre** Action, Adventure, Comedy

Kristen Stewart, Naomi Scott, and Ella Balinska are the new generation of private detectives 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.

Spies In Disguise

RELEASE DATE
26 DECEMBER / Directors Nick Bruno, Troy Quane / **Starring** Will Smith, Tom Holland, Karen Gillan / **Genre** Action, Comedy, Sci-Fi

Super spy Lance Sterling is smooth, suave, and debonair. Walter is…not. But what Walter lacks in social skills he makes up for in smarts and invention. But when events take an unexpected turn, and the world's best spy is turned into a pigeon, Walter and Lance suddenly have to rely on each other in a whole new way.

The Aeronauts

RELEASE DATE
8 NOVEMBER / Director Tom Harper / **Starring** Felicity Jones, Eddie Redmayne, Tom Courtenay / **Genre** Action, Adventure, Thriller

In 1862, wealthy young widow Amelia Wren and headstrong scientist James Glaisher mount a balloon expedition to fly higher than anyone in history. As their perilous ascent reveals their true selves, this unlikely pair discover things about each other - and themselves - that helps each of them find their place in the world they have left behind.


ONE TO WATCH

Cats

RELEASE DATE 20 DECEMBER / Director Tom Hooper / **Starring** Judi Dench, James Corden, Francesca Hayward / **Genre** Comedy, Fantasy, Musical

» Featuring iconic music, world-class dancers, and an all-star ensemble - James Corden, Judi Dench, Jason Derulo, Idris Elba, Jennifer Hudson, Ian McKellen, Taylor Swift, Rebel Wilson, and Francesca Hayward - Andrew Lloyd Webber's legendary stage musical is reimagined for a new generation with spectacular production design, state-of-the-art technology, and various dance styles ranging from ballet to contemporary, hip-hop to jazz, street to tap.


KNIVES OUT


LE MANS '66

Knives Out

RELEASE DATE
27 NOVEMBER / Director Rian Johnson **/ Starring** Daniel Craig, Chris Evans, Jamie Lee Curtis **/ Genre** Comedy, Mystery, Thriller

When renowned crime novelist Harlan Thrombey is found dead at his estate, the inquisitive and debonair Detective Benoit Blanc is enlisted to investigate. From Harlan's dysfunctional family to his devoted staff, Blanc sifts through a web of red herrings and self-serving lies to uncover the truth in Rian Johnson's tribute to mystery mastermind Agatha Christie - a fun, modern-day murder mystery where everyone is a suspect.

Le Mans '66

RELEASE DATE
15 NOVEMBER / Director James Mangold **/ Starring** Matt Damon, Christian Bale, Tracy Letts **/ Genre** Action, Biography, Sport

The true story of visionary American car designer Carroll Shelby and British driver Ken Miles, who together battled corporate interference, the laws of physics, and their own personal demons to build a race car for Ford Motor Company and take on the dominating race cars of Enzo Ferrari at the 24 Hours of Le Mans in France in 1966.

Last Christmas

RELEASE DATE
15 NOVEMBER / Director Paul Feig **/ Starring** Emilia Clarke, Henry Golding, Emma Thompson **/ Genre** Comedy, Romance

Inspired by a George Michael beat, this romantic Christmas comedy follows Kate and Tom, an unlikely pair who meet during the holiday season. 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.

Midway

RELEASE DATE
8 NOVEMBER / Director Roland Emmerich **/ Starring** Ed Skrein, Patrick Wilson, Luke Evans **/ Genre** Action, Drama, War

The epic, real-life saga about an undermanned American fleet and the brave Navy leaders and pilots who triumphed, against the odds, over a powerful adversary. With democracy and freedom at stake, these U.S. brothers-in-arms conquered the Imperial Japanese Navy at the Battle of Midway, a most stunning clash by air and sea which marked a heroic feat of naval warfare and pivoted the Allies toward victory.


BRAHMS: THE BOY 2

Film Shorts

BRAHMS: THE BOY 2
RELEASE DATE 6 DECEMBER
» Unaware of its terrifying history, a young family moves into the Heelshire Mansion where their young son makes an unsettling new friend, an eerily life-like doll he calls Brahms.

SORRY WE MISSED YOU
RELEASE DATE 1 NOVEMBER
» The team behind I, Daniel Blake return with a powerful exploration of the contemporary world of work, the gig economy, and the challenges faced by one family trying to hold it all together.



CATS

PICTURE PURR-FECT

Prepare for the dazzling stage spectacle of Cats brought to the big screen, featuring Dame Judy Dench, Sir Ian McKellen, Taylor Swift, Idris Elba, and many more feline friends.

WORDS **WORDS JIM ROBERTS**

RELEASE DATE 20 DECEMBER /
Director Tom Hooper **/ Starring** Judi Dench, James Corden, Francesca Hayward **/**
Genre Comedy, Fantasy, Musical

Based on T. S. Eliot's Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats and the beloved Andrew Lloyd Webber musical, Cats depicts a clan of felines called Jellicles, based in London's cobbled streets and alleys. Oscar-winning director Tom Hooper (The King's Speech, Les Misérables) brings the tribe to life through a combination of CGI, live-action, and "digital fur technology."

On the night of the Jellicle Ball, Old Deuteronomy (Judi Dench) will pick one cat to ascend to the Heaviside Layer and be reborn into a new life. She's not short of contenders, with Bombalurina (Taylor Swift), Rum Tum Tugger (Jason Derulo), and Victoria (Royal Ballet Principal Francesca Hayward) showing off their skills. Cat criminal Macavity (Idris Elba) watches from the gutters, ready to cause chaos, while comedy relief is supplied by James Corden and Rebel Wilson.

A stunning exhibition of song and dance is promised wherein Hooper can call upon the talents of Hamilton's Tony-winning choreographer Andy Blankenbuehler. And of course, the Jellicle Ball wouldn't be complete without the hit song "Memory," performed on the big screen by outcast cat Grizabella (Jennifer Hudson).

Get ready to purr in amazement, delight, and even a little fright.

CATS FROM ALL CORNERS OF ENTERTAINMENT

This exciting ensemble comprises cats from all entertainment backgrounds:

MUSIC

Lloyd Webber has played a big role in the adaptation, including writing a brand-new song. Taylor Swift jumped straight in from a stadium tour, and Jennifer Hudson plans to stand cat hairs on end with her passionate performance.

STAGE

British stage royalty Sir Ian McKellen & Dame Judi Dench (forced out of the 1981 stage show by a snapped Achilles tendon) play Jellicle elders.

COMEDY

Rebel Wilson as Jennyanydots and James Corden as Bustopher Jones will bring light-hearted entertainment to the Ball's serious proceedings.

DANCE

Along with outstanding ballet talent in Hayward, Hooper's brought in breakdancers Les Twins for some street-smart dance moves, and tap specialists for beat/rhythm.

COMPETITION

GREAT PRIZES



A SHAUN THE SHEEP MOVIE: FARMAGEDDON

WIN SHAUN THE SHEEP PRIZES

Strange lights over the quiet town of Mossingham herald the arrival of a mystery visitor from far across the galaxy.

When the intergalactic visitor - an impish and adorable alien called LU-LA - crashlands near Mossy Bottom Farm, Shaun soon sees an opportunity for alien-powered fun and adventure and sets off on a mission to shepherd LU-LA home.

Her magical alien powers, irrepressible mischief, and galactic-sized burps soon have the whole flock enchanted. Shaun takes his new extra-terrestrial friend on the road to Mossingham Forest to find her lost spaceship, unaware that a sinister alien-hunting agency is on their trail.

Can Shaun and the flock avert Farmageddon on Mossy Bottom Farm before it's too late?





To celebrate the release of A Shaun The Sheep Movie: Farmageddon, on Friday 18th October, we're offering you the chance to win some prizes.

For a chance to win, simply answer the question below:

Q What is the name of Shaun's new alien companion?

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WE COME IN FLEECE

Everyone's favourite mischievous lamb returns to the big screen in an alien-filled romp that sees Shaun and his flock receive a close encounter of the furred kind.

WORDS **AARON POTTER**

RELEASE DATE 18 OCTOBER / Directors Will Becher, Richard Phelan / **Starring** Justin Fletcher, John Sparkes, Kate Harbour / **Genre** Adventure, Family, Sci-Fi



While most modern animated features seek to dazzle audiences with what they're able to concoct on a computer, Bristol-based studio Aardman Animation continues to prove that there's an inherent charm to old-school stop motion. And proving this yet again is A Shaun The Sheep Movie: Farmageddon - an all-new adventure which works as a Men In Black-style caper to follow on from the wildly successful 2015 movie.

It all kicks off when new character Lu-La (an alien from another world) crash-lands near the sleepy borough of Mossy Bottom Farm, forcing Shaun and friends to return their intergalactic guest back home by journeying into space. They'll need to do so while escaping the clutches of a shady government organisation that is in constant hot pursuit.

Farmageddon sees children's TV show presenter Justin Fletcher return as the voice of Shaun and is the directorial debut of veteran animators Will Becher and Richard Phelan. Going galactic is a concept that hasn't been explored in a feature-length Aardman film before, so you can expect to see a whole new spin from the masters of claymation.



A SHAUN THE SHEEP MOVIE: FARMAGEDDON

PAST BIG-SCREEN AARDMAN ANTICS

CURSE OF THE WERE-RABBIT

Wallace and Gromit starred in three shorts before taking to the big screen with Curse Of The Were-Rabbit. Luckily, the wait was worth it. Their world was expanded, the scope increased, and Peter Kay and Ralph Fiennes were great cast additions.

CHICKEN RUN

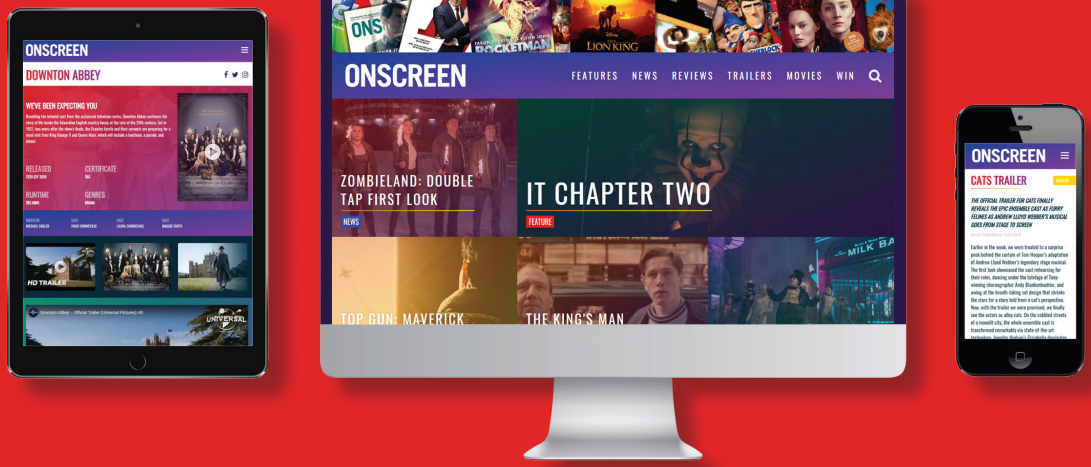
A love letter to classic war films, Aardman's big-screen debut proved that the stop-motion magic worked wonders on a cinematic level. Mel Gibson's Rocket was a convincing circus rooster, while the Yorkshire setting kept the film inherently British.

EARLY MAN

What if Neanderthals played football to resolve their issues? That's essentially the pitch for 2018's Early Man - an animated sports film for the ages. It didn't do gangbusters at the box office but is still truly charming.

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