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# It's time for justice to shine in DC Universe's 'Stargirl'

**BY JAY BOBBIN**

Television has proven it always has room for another DC Comics character, and "Stargirl" is the latest.

Prolific executive producer Greg Berlanti's new series debuts on the DC Universe streaming service Monday, May 18, then also premieres Tuesday, May 19, on The CW (which will remain the weekly pattern for each episode). Introduced to viewers briefly in the recent "Crisis on Infinite Earths" crossover event, Stargirl is the alias of angst-y teen Courtney Whitmore (played by multiple-Nickelodeon-show alum Brec Bassinger), who resents her stepfather (Luke Wilson) – until she discovers he was the sidekick of the late superhero Starman, whose magical staff gives her powers she uses to lead a new Justice Society of America against evil.

"I had no idea what I was getting into," the pleasant Bassinger laughs of landing the title part. "When I met with showrunner Geoff Johns for the first time and he explained who he was thinking of for some of the other roles, I was like, 'Oh, Brec, this is gonna be big. This is gonna be more than you've ever done before.' And there are a lot of expectations with that."

With Amy Smart also starring as Courtney's mother, "Stargirl" is based on a comic book Johns co-created (with Lee Moder), modeling the main character on his late sister. "He is one of the greatest people I've ever met," Bassinger maintains, "and this does mean a lot to him. I want to do good for the show, but mainly, I want to do good for him."

Being a veteran of cheerleading and gymnastics has helped Bassinger with the series' ample physicality, even before first donning the Stargirl costume. "During the week of training we did,

they'd say, "OK, we don't need you to work on any more of that," she muses, "but I do have to say my stunt double, Kristina Baskett, is amazing. She made Courtney look even better."

Getting the Stargirl outfit was a big event for Bassinger, both professionally and personally: "One of the most special parts of that for me was the fitting. To see the amount of people who worked on it just blew my mind. I think I had about 17 fittings for it, and I remember walking onto the set in it for the first time. It was so cool! I feel more like a superhero when I put it on, that's for sure."

As “Stargirl” arrives, Bassinger sums up the experience so far as “surreal. I remember being younger and going to (the amusement park) Six Flags and seeing all the DC characters ... and now, to think that I’m portraying one of them, I’m not sure my brain has wrapped around it.”



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Horoscopes

The luckiest signs this week:  
Gemini, Cancer and Leo

- ♈

**ARIES**

This is an excellent time to start thinking more seriously about buying or selling a property. You'll soon realize you have the means to make this dream a reality.
- ♉

**TAURUS**

You'll feel like you're being pushed around this week. Luckily, you'll be able to reach out to people and get things sorted. People will finally return your calls.
- ♊

**GEMINI**

Your imagination will be in overdrive. You'll start to create a masterpiece and see a show or exhibit that deeply moves you.
- ♋

**CANCER**

Your social life will be particularly busy this week. All your friends will want to spend time with you. You'll attend a few large gatherings where there will always be someone to talk to.
- ♌

**LEO**

You may start your own business. At the very least, you'll take a huge step toward an executive position at your current job. Once you settle in, you may enjoy this new position until you retire.
- ♍

**VIRGO**

Someone will confide in you or you'll discover a secret. Perhaps you'll decipher a message in another language or a cryptic comment made by your partner.
- ♎

**LIBRA**

Your emotions will run high this week, but you may only cry tears of joy. One of your children will accomplish something that moves you, even if it's something small.
- ♏

**SCORPIO**

Put your emotions to the side while you negotiate something important. You'll also have to respect rules and regulations carefully to avoid problems.
- ♐

**SAGITTARIUS**

You'll have a mountain of work to do and no time to relax. Plus, you may not feel very well. You'll need some rest before you feel like yourself again.
- ♑

**CAPRICORN**

Your self-esteem will get a boost after you accomplish something you didn't think was possible. This will help you uncover a new talent. Your family may impose some unnecessary stress.
- ♒

**AQUARIUS**

You'll spend a good part of the week at home, either painting a wall or taking care of other pressing repairs. You might make a last-minute decision to move.
- ♓

**PISCES**

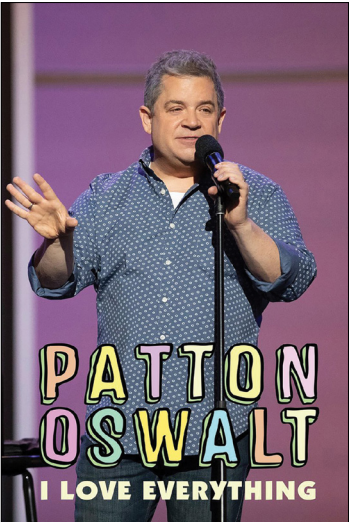
You won't keep your opinions to yourself this week. If you know something others don't, you'll have trouble staying quiet about it. You might let a secret slip out.

New Streaming Movies & Shows

NETFLIX



**"The Big Flower Fight"**  
Those with a green thumb will likely want to check out this competition series that pits 10 teams of florists, sculptors and garden designers as they face off to see who can build the biggest, most impressive garden sculptures. Vic Reeves and Nastasia Demetriou are the hosts. (ORIGINAL)



**"Patton Oswalt: I Love Everything"**  
The Emmy- and Grammy-winning actor and comedian reflects on turning 50, buying a house, getting remarried and experiencing existential dread at Denny's in this stand-up performance recorded earlier this year in Charlotte, N.C. (ORIGINAL)



**"Sweet Magnolias"**  
Based on a series of Harlequin novels by Sherryl Woods (who is an executive producer here), this drama series follows the adventures of three South Carolina women, best friends since high school, as they shepherd each other through the complexities of romance, career and family. JoAnna Garcia Swisher, Brooke Elliott and Heather Headley star. (ORIGINAL)



**"Movie: The Lovebirds"**  
Kumail Nanjiani and Issa Rae star as a couple on the outs who experience a defining moment in their relationship when they're unwittingly involved in a murder mystery in this action comedy from director Michael Showalter ("The Baxter," "The Big Sick"). Paul Sparks, Anna Camp and Kyle Bornheimer are also in the cast. (ORIGINAL)

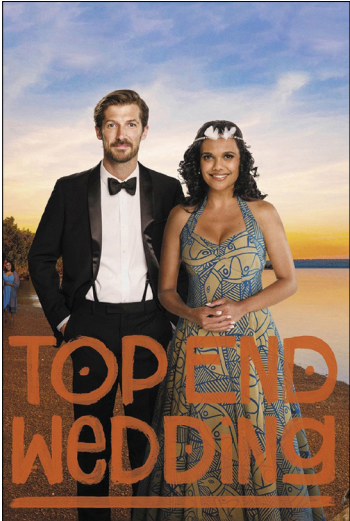
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**"Movie: Trial by Fire"**  
Edward Zwick ("Traffic," "Shakespeare in Love") directed this 2018 biographical drama that tells the true, tragic story of Cameron Todd Willingham (Jack O'Connell, "Unbroken"), who was put to death for killing his three children after evidence and testimony that would have exonerated him were suppressed. Laura Dern, Emily Meade ("The Deuce") and Chris Coy ("The Front Runner") also star.



**"Movie: Premature"**  
Zora Howard ("Gun Hill Road") co-wrote the script and stars in this 2019 coming-of-age drama about a 17-year-old girl whose summer before college is thrown for a loop when she meets and falls for a mysterious, slightly older record producer (Joshua Boone, "Wheels"). Michelle Wilson, Alexis Marie Wint and Imani Lewis also star.



**"Movie: Top End Wedding"**  
A couple have 10 days to find her mother, who has gone AWOL in the remote north of Australia, and reunite her with father before they can pull off their dream wedding in this 2019 romantic comedy from downunder. Brooklyn Doomadgee, Helena Johnson, Dan Collins and Antonio Tipiloura head the cast for director Wayne Blair ("The Sapphires").



**"Movie: The Painter and the Thief"**  
From Norway and director Benjamin Ree ("Magnus") comes this 2020 documentary that tells the story of an artist who takes over the full-time care of the thief who stole her paintings after he is badly injured in a car accident.

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**"Ramy" (Season 2)**

**"We Are Freestyle Love Supreme"**

**"Crossing Swords" (Season 1)**

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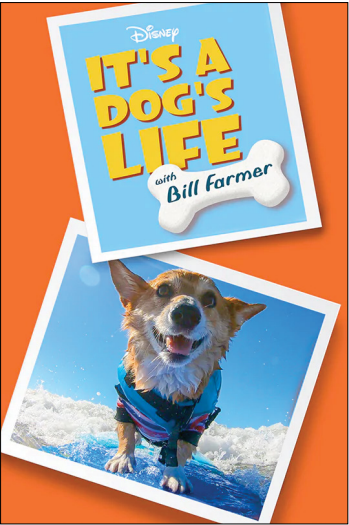




**"Homecoming"**  
Season 2 of this drama/thriller series opens with a new mystery, that of Jackie (Janelle Monáe, "Hidden Figures"), who awakens in a rowboat in the middle of a lake with no memory of how she got there or who she is. Her search for her own identity leads her to the Geist Group, the unconventional wellness company behind the Homecoming Initiative. Newcomers Chris Cooper and Joan Cusack join Stephan James and Hong Chau in the cast. (ORIGINAL)



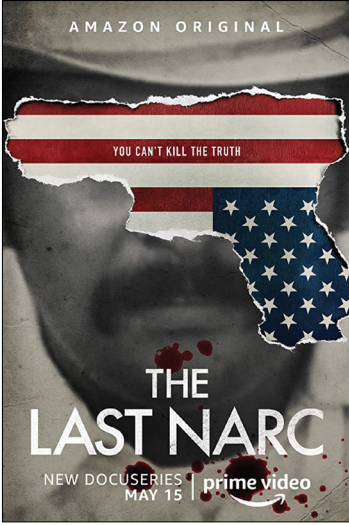
**"Movie: Rocketman"**  
British actor Taron Egerton won a richly deserved Golden Globe Award for his captivating portrayal of pop superstar Elton John in this Oscar-winning biographical musical, for which Egerton also provided his own vocals. The film charts John's rise from a musical prodigy at the Royal Academy of Music through his long professional partnership with lyricist Bernie Taupin (Jamie Bell), his cold mother (Bryce Dallas Howard) and his manipulative manager, John Reid (Richard Madden).



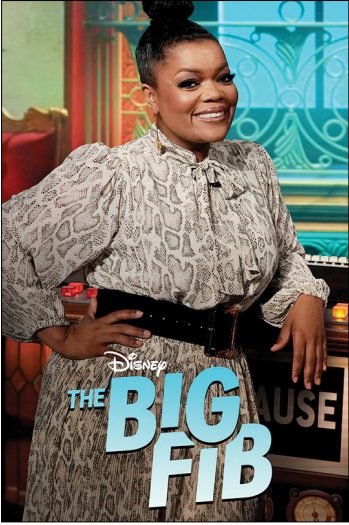
**"It's A Dog's Life with Bill Farmer"**  
The iconic voice of Goofy and Pluto for more than 30 years, Disney Legend Bill Farmer steps out from behind the microphone to meet his own favorite characters — dogs! Join Bill as he crosses the country meeting dogs doing all kinds of incredible jobs that make our lives better. (ORIGINAL)



**"Movie: Seberg"**  
Kristen Stewart ("Clouds of Sils Maria," the "Twilight" movie series) has the title role in this true story of French New Wave darling and "Breathless" star Jean Seberg, who in the late 1960s was targeted by the FBI because of her support of the civil rights movement and romantic involvement with black activist Hakim Jamal (Anthony Mackie), among others. Yvan Attal, Gabriel Sky, Margaret Qualley and Colm Meaney also star for director Benedict Andrews ("Una"). (ORIGINAL)



**"The Last Narc"**  
From director Tiller Russell ("Cockfight," "Bad Boys of Summer") comes this four-part documentary that tells the true story of Kiki Camarena, the DEA agent who was abducted, tortured and murdered while on assignment investigating drug cartels in Mexico. (ORIGINAL)



**"The Big Fib"**  
Ever thought you could spot a fib better than a kid? Find out on The Big Fib. A new Disney+ game show, hosted by Yvette Nicole Brown and featuring Rhys Darby as her robot sidekick, C.L.I.V.E. In each episode of this comedy game show, a kid starts by playing a warm-up round where a silly liar and an authentic expert share fabulous fibs and fun facts. (ORIGINAL)

COMING SOON

- "Hanna" (Season 2)
- "Invincible" (Season 1)
- "Invisible Life"

COMING SOON

- "Artemis Fowl"
- "The Falcon and the Winter Soldier" (Season 1)



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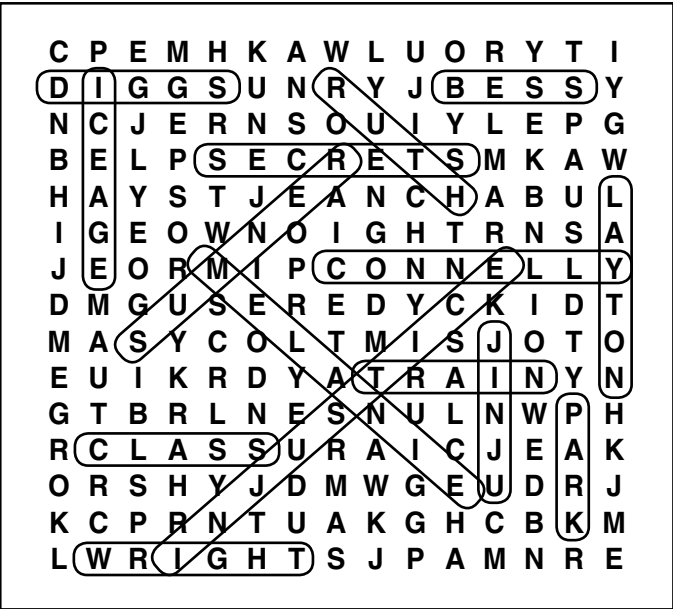
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"Snowpiercer" on TNT		
(Words in parentheses not in puzzle)		
Melanie	(Jennifer) Connelly	Train
Layton	(Daved) Diggs	Ice Age
Ruth	(Alison) Wright	Class (warfare)
Bess	(Mickey) Sumner	(Social) injustice
Jinju	(Susan) Park	Secrets

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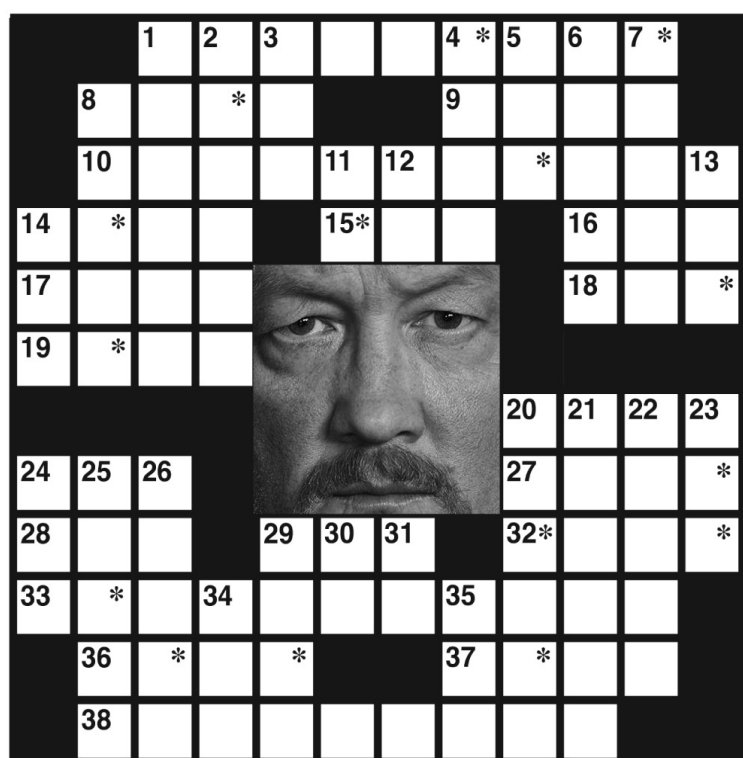
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# Crosswords



The identity of the featured celebrity is found within the answers in the puzzle. In order to take the TV Challenge, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

ACROSS

1. Jubal \_\_\_\_; role on "FBI"
  2. Biblical wedding miracle town
  3. Bewildered
  4. Role on "Station 19" (2)
  5. USNA or West Point: abbr.
  6. Actress/director Lupino
  7. Actress Kerr, to friends
  8. Gilbert, for one
  9. Linear measures: abbr.
  10. Annoyingly slow
  11. Rests
  12. Actor DeLuise
  13. Fruit drinks
  14. "Scent \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ Woman"; Al Pacino film
  15. Bit of soot
  16. "\_\_\_\_ '70s Show"
  17. "\_\_\_\_ Herrmann"; role on "Chicago Fire"
  18. "\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ want for Christmas is my two ..."
  19. James \_\_\_\_ Jones
  20. \_\_\_\_ Robinson; actress on "The Unicorn"
  21. Haifa's nation: abbr.
  22. Penniless
  23. Dog-\_\_\_\_; like a much-read book
  24. Tree with chocolaty pods
  25. Lois' comic strip hubby
  26. Bradley or Begley
  27. Stomach muscles
  28. Cleopatra's killer
  29. Fillion of "The Rookie"
  30. Cling; stick
  31. Bailey, for one
  32. Very fast jet, for short
  33. One of the Seven Dwarfs
  34. Slice \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_; meat on a sandwich, perhaps
  35. Actress Gibbs
  36. Kyrgyzstan's continent
  37. "\_\_\_\_. Elsewhere"
  38. Entertainer Don
  39. Suffix for heart or might
  40. Paper Mate product
- Solution**

E	N	N	E	A	L	Y	N	A	L	Y	A	M
L	E	A	R	I	L	I	T	I	A	L	I	M
R	E	P	O	P	E	S	T	O	P	E	S	C
T	H	A	V	T	H	A	V	T	H	A	V	O

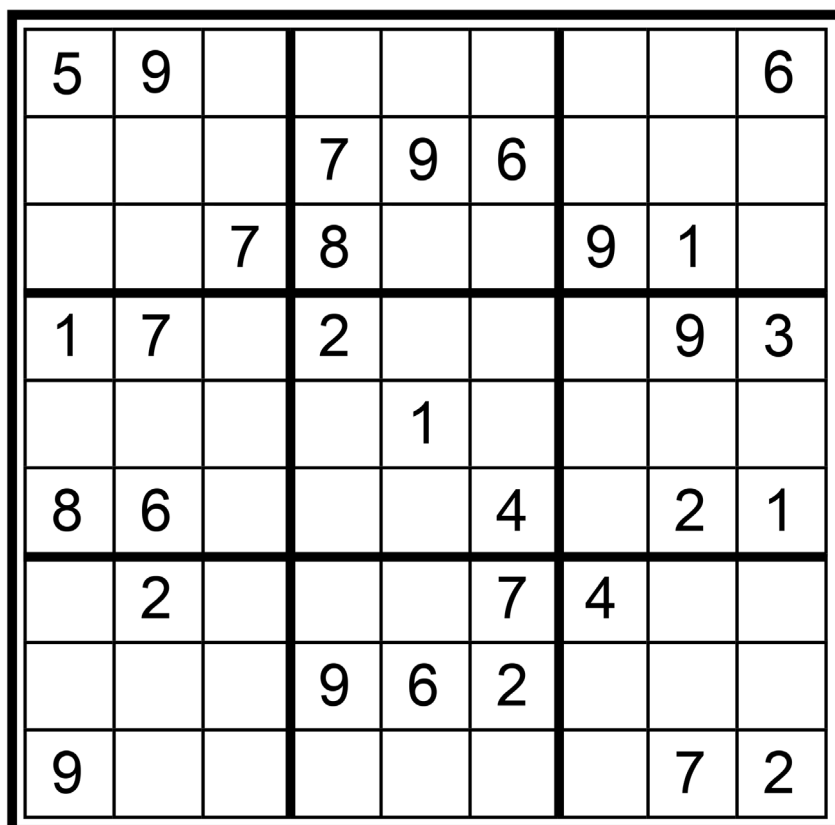
DOWN

1. Actress Joan \_\_\_\_
2. "Knight \_\_\_\_"; 2010 Tom Cruise movie
3. "\_\_\_\_ the Favorite"; 2012 film for Bruce Willis



# Sudoku

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To complete this puzzle, place the numbers 1-9 in the empty cells, so that every row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold outline) contains all nine digits.

Each number  
1-9  
may appear  
only once  
in each row,  
column and  
3-by-3 box.

## SOLUTION

5	9	2	4	3	1	7	8	6
4	1	8	7	9	6	2	3	5
6	3	7	8	2	5	9	1	4
1	7	4	2	5	8	6	9	3
2	5	3	6	1	9	8	4	7
8	6	9	3	7	4	5	2	1
3	2	5	1	8	7	4	6	9
7	4	1	9	6	2	3	5	8
9	8	6	5	4	3	1	7	2



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	SP	FT	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM	
LOCAL CHANNELS														
WIS	10	3	10	Little Big Shots "Endless Dreams That Are Reachable" (N)		Beverly Hills Dog Show: From the Fairplex in Pomona, Calif.			The Wall "Neangela and Marcus" (N)		WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:35) Full Court Press With Greta Van Susteren (N)	(12:05) Paid Program Paid programming.	
WLTX	19	9	9	60 Minutes (N)		** "Mission: Impossible" (1996, Action) Tom Cruise, Jon Voight, Henry Czerny. Treachery in Prague puts an agent on the run.			Man With a Plan Andi's doctor gives surprising advice.		News 19 at 11pm (N)	NCIS: New Orleans "Desperate Navy Wives" (Joined in Progress) Gregorio goes under cover at a club.		
WOLO	23	5	12	America's Funniest Home Videos (N) (DVS)		American Idol "316 (On With the Show: Grand Finale)" (Season Finale) (N)			Taylor Swift City of Lover Concert: Taylor Swift performs in Paris.		ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	Larry King Special Report	Elementary Holmes is asked to orchestrate a heist.	
WRJA	27	11	14	Touching the Sound: The life and career of Nobuyuki Tsujii.		Call the Midwife (Season Finale) Nonnatus House may lose funding. (N)		World on Fire on Masterpiece: Harry gets another chance to save Kasia.		Baptiste on Masterpiece Julien discovers the inside source. (N)		Growing a Greener World Composing and recycling.	Ecosense for Living "Innovation & Biomimicry"	Call the Midwife Nonnatus House may lose funding.
WACH	57	6	6	The Simpsons (DVS)	Bob's Burgers Animated. The Belchers go to the mall.	The Simpsons "The Way of the Dog"	Duncanville "Classless President"	Bob's Burgers "Prank You for Being a Friend"	Family Guy Animated. Brian sues Stewie.	WACH FOX News at 10 (N) (Live)	WACH FOX News Sunday at 10:30P: Special Edition (N)	Ring of Honor Wrestling (N)		The Big Bang Theory "The Weekend Vortex"
WKTC	39	4	22	How I Met Your Mother "The Naked Man"	How I Met Your Mother Ted and Barney pick a fight.	Movie			Leverage "The Future Job" A con man masquerades as a medium.		The Listener "Some Kinda Love" A girl is found dead.		Movie	
CABLE CHANNELS														
A&E	46	130	The First 48 A local criminal is fatally stabbed.		The First 48 "Brothers Down" Two brothers are shot in Tulsa, Okla.		The First 48 "Carnage in the Streets" Two young men are gunned down.		The First 48 "Jackpot" A man is shot dead in his driveway.		The First 48 Father gunned down in parking lot.		The First 48 "Brothers Down"	
AMC	48	180	(6:00) *** "G.I. Jane" (1997, Drama) Demi Moore, Viggo Mortensen, Anne Bancroft. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.				Killing Eve "End of Game" (N)		Killing Eve "End of Game"		*** "G.I. Jane" (1997) Demi Moore, Viggo Mortensen. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.			
ANPL	41	100	North Woods Law "In the Thick of It"		North Woods Law		North Woods Law "Bump in the Road"		(:01) Lone Star Law		To Be Announced		North Woods Law	
BET	61	162	(6:00) * "When the Bough Breaks" (2016, Drama) Morris Chestnut, Regina Hall. A surrogate mom becomes obsessed with the man who hired her.		Drama! Morris Chestnut, Regina Hall. A man who hired her.		** "Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married" struggle with the challenges of married life.		Too??" (2010, Comedy-Drama) Tyler Perry, Sharon Leal, Janet Jackson. Four couples				Martin	
BRAVO	47	181	The Real Housewives of Atlanta Kenya and Marc's relationship.		The Real Housewives of Atlanta "Reunion Part 2" Britten and Kendra bond.		Married to Medicine Los Angeles "Housewarming Home Wreckers" (N)		Watch What Happens Live		The Real Housewives of Atlanta "Reunion Part 2" Britten and Kendra bond.		Married to Medicine Los Angeles "Housewarming Home Wreckers"	
CNBC	35	84	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank (DVS)		Shark Tank (DVS)		Shark Tank		Shark Tank	
CNN	3	80	The Situation Room With Wolf Blitzer		CNN Tonight with Don Lemon (N)		CNN Tonight with Don Lemon (N)		"Scandalous: The Untold Story of the National Enquirer" (2019)				Newsroom	
COM	57	136	Chappelle's Show Jamie Foxx.		Chappelle's Show		Chappelle's Show Music guest DMX.		Chappelle's Show		Chappelle's Show		Chappelle's Show	
DISN	18	200	(:10) Liv and Maddie: Cali Style		(:35) Liv and Maddie: Cali Style		"Adventures in Babysitting" (2016) Sabrina Carpenter. Baby sitters and children spend a wild night in the city.		(:35) Jessie		Jessie Jessie writes a play.		(:25) Jessie Creepy Connie returns.	
DSC	42	103	Naked and Afraid: Uncensored (N)		Naked and Afraid (N)				Naked and Afraid XL "Pre-Show" (N)		Naked and Afraid		Survivalists take on the Amazon.	
ESPN	26	35	The Last Dance		The Last Dance		The Last Dance (N)		The Last Dance (N)		SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N)		The Last Dance	
ESPN2	27	39	The Last Dance		The Last Dance		The Last Dance (N)		The Last Dance (N)		Hey Rookie: Welcome to the NFL		The Last Dance	
FOOD	40	109	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives		Worst Cooks in America		Worst Cooks in America "A Day at the Races" (N)		Worst Cooks in America "A Day at the Races" (N)		Amy Schumer Learns to Cook		Worst Cooks	
FOXN	37	90	FOX News Sunday With Chris Wallace		Life, Liberty & Levin (N)		The Next Revolution With Steve Hilton		Watters' World		Life, Liberty & Levin		Revolution	
FREE	20	131	(6:55) *** "Zootopia" (2016, Children's) Police rabbit Judy Hopps joins forces with a wily fox.		Voices of Ginnifer Goodwin, Jason Bateman, Shakira. Animated.		(:25) *** "Shrek" (2001, Children's) Voices of Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy. Animated.		A monster and a donkey make a deal with a mean lord.		*** "The Jungle Book" (2016, Children's) Neel Sethi.			
FSS	21	47	(6:00) Hawks Classics (N)		Fight Sports: Boxing		Sports Stars		Silver Kings		Hawks Classics From Dec. 6, 2013.			
HALL	52	183	"Love, Fall & Order" (2019, Romance-Comedy) Drew Fuller, Trevor Donovan, Erin Cahill. A woman heads back to her hometown.		Good Witch "The Clock" Stephanie's ex-husband comes to town. (N)		The Golden Girls		The Golden Girls		The Golden Girls "Sick and Tired"		The Golden Girls	
HGTV	39	112	Celebrity IOU (DVS)		House in a Hurry		(:01) Celebrity IOU (N) (DVS)		Beach Bargain		Caribbean Life (N)		Celebrity IOU	
HIST	45	110	The Men Who Built America		The Men Who Built America: Frontiersmen		America turns to General Andrew Jackson. (Part 3 of 4)		Beach Bargain		Caribbean Life (N)		Frontiersmen	
ION	13	18	NCIS: Los Angeles "Deliverance" The search for an elusive book.		NCIS: Los Angeles "Disorder" Investigating a deadly dispute.		Chicago P.D. "What Could Have Been" Intelligence investigates a murder.		Chicago P.D. "Sacrifice" The team tracks drug robberies. (DVS)		Chicago P.D. "Confession" Antonio struggles with his conscience.		Chicago P.D. "Reckoning"	
LIFE	50	145	(6:00) "The Twisted Twin" (2020) Jennifer Taylor, Lorynn York.		"The Au Pair Nightmare" (2020, Suspense) Anne Heise, Tristan Thomas. Premiere. A young au pair uncovers a wealthy couple's dark secret.		(:03) "Married to a Murderer" (2017, Suspense) Anna Hutchison, Aaron Arnold, Austin Arnold. Emma thinks she has found her soul mate.		(:12) *** "The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift" (2006, Action) Lucas Black, Zachery Ty Bryan.		(:12) *** "The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift" (2006, Action) Lucas Black, Zachery Ty Bryan.		(12:01) "The Au Pair Nightmare"	
MSNBC	36	92	Kasie DC (N)		Dateline Extra		Dateline Extra "Plot Twist"		Friends		Friends		Dateline Extra	
NICK	16	210	The Loud House		** "Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 2" (2013) Voices of Bill Hader.		Friends		Friends		Friends		Friends	
PARMT	64	153	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue "All Twerk & No Pay"		Bar Rescue "Reckless Roundhouse"		Bar Rescue (N)		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	58	152	(6:30) *** "John Wick" (2014, Action) Keanu Reeves. An ex-assassin hunts down the gangsters who ruined his life.		*** "John Wick: Chapter 2" (2017, Action) Keanu Reeves, Common, Laurence Fishburne. Legendary hit man John Wick takes on deadly killers in Rome. (DVS)		Harley Quinn "L.O.D.R.S.V.P."		Harley Quinn "A Seat at the Table"		Harley Quinn "Bensonhurst" (N)		Harley Quinn "Bensonhurst" (N)	
TBS	24	156	(5:30) *** "We're the Millers" (2013, Comedy) Jennifer Aniston. (DVS)		The Big Bang Theory		The Big Bang Theory		The Big Bang Theory		Snowpiercer A grisly murder stokes class division. (DVS)		(12:06) *** "Game Night"	
TCM	49	186	(6:15) *** "Niagara" (1953) Marilyn Monroe, Joseph Cotten.		*** "The Purple Rose of Cairo" (1985) Mia Farrow. A 1930s movie star steps off the screen to join a waitress.		(:45) *** "Moonstruck" (1987, Romance-Comedy) Cher, Nicolas Cage, Vincent Gardenia. A Brooklyn bookkeeper falls for her fiancé's brother.		90 Day Fiancé: Before the 90 Days (N)		Find Love LIVE "Episode 2" (N)		90 Day Fiancé	
TLC	43	157	90 Day Fiancé: Before the 90 Days		90 Day Fiancé: Before the 90 Days David continues his quest for Lana. (N)		(:06) Snowpiercer A grisly murder stokes class division. (DVS)		(:06) Snowpiercer A grisly murder stokes class division. (DVS)		(:12) ** "The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift" (2006, Action) Lucas Black, Zachery Ty Bryan.		90 Day Fiancé	
TNT	23	158	(6:30) *** "Black Panther" (2018, Action) Chadwick Boseman, Michael B. Jordan. Black Panther springs into action when an old enemy returns. (DVS)		Snowpiercer (Series Premiere) A grisly murder stokes class division. (N)		ImpRACTICAL Jokers		ImpRACTICAL Jokers		ImpRACTICAL Jokers		ImpRACTICAL Jokers	
TRUTV	38	129	ImpRACTICAL Jokers		ImpRACTICAL Jokers		ImpRACTICAL Jokers		ImpRACTICAL Jokers		ImpRACTICAL Jokers		ImpRACTICAL Jokers	
TV LAND	55	161	Love- Raymond		Love- Raymond		Love- Raymond		Love- Raymond		Love- Raymond		Love- Raymond	
USA	25	132	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit Benson helps an assaulted teenager.		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit SVU investigates a pop star's assault.		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A Muslim is assaulted in a synagogue.		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A girl dies; Benson suspects Rob Miller.		Modern Family (DVS)		Modern Family "Hawaii"	
WE	68	166	Law & Order "We Like Mike"		Law & Order "Passion"		Law & Order "Past Imperfect"		Law & Order "Terminal"		Law & Order "Thrill"		Law & Order	
WGNA	8	172	Last Man Standing		Last Man Standing		Last Man Standing		Last Man Standing		Married ... With		Married ... With	

MONDAY EVENING MAY 18

	SP	FT	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM
LOCAL CHANNELS													
WIS	10	3	10	WIS News 10 at 7 (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	The Voice "Finale Part 1" The final artists perform. (N)			(:01) Songland "Florida Georgia Line" Florida Georgia Line hears song pitches. (N)		WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon	
WLTX	19	9	9	News 19 at 7pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	The Neighborhood "Welcome to the New Pastor"	Bob Hearts Abishola "Randy's a Wrangler"	All Rise "I Love You, You're Perfect, I Think" Lola learns a secret about Judge Benner.	Bull "Flesh and Blood" Bull helps defend an old friend.		News 19 at 11pm (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert	
WOLO	23	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "California Coast"	Jeopardy! (N)	The Bachelor Presents: Listen to Your Heart "Week 6 -- Finale" (Season Finale) (N)			The Baker and the Beauty "Side Effects" Vanessa ignites a scandal. (N)		ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N) (12:06) Nightline (N)	
WRJA	27	11	14	Travels With Darley "South Korea"	The Farmer and the Foodie	Antiques Roadshow "Little Rock" Charles Schulz Snoopy sketch. (Part 3 of 3)		"Created Equal: Clarence Thomas in His Own Words" (2020, Documentary) Clarence Thomas. Premiere. Justice Clarence Thomas recounts his extraordinary life story.		Amanpour and Company (N)		Antiques Roadshow "Little Rock"	
WACH	57	6	6	The Big Bang Theory "The Geology Methodology"	The Big Bang Theory Raj designs a scavenger hunt.	9-1-1 "Kids Today" A teenager speeds out of control. (DVS)		9-1-1: Lone Star "Texas Proud" Owen helps Michelle.		WACH FOX News at 10 (N) (Live)		WACH FOX News:Coronavirus Pandemic	DailyMailTV (N) TMZ (N)
WKTC	39	4	22	Last Man Standing "Home Security"	Last Man Standing Mike establishes strict house rules.	The Doctors		Judge Jerry Litigants feud over a puppy's health.	Judge Jerry Litigants dispute property damage.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Vulnerable" A sadist tortures a senile old woman.		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Disappearing Acts" Suspect assumes a new identity. The Game Malik has trouble with the coordinator.	
CABLE CHANNELS													
A&E	46	130	Live PD Presents: PD Cam		Live PD Presents: PD Cam		Live PD Presents: PD Cam		Live PD Presents: PD Cam		Live PD Presents: PD Cam		Live PD Presents: PD Cam
AMC	48	180	(5:00) ** "Fantastic Four" (2005)		*** "Dawn of the Dead" (2004, Horror) Sarah Polley, Ving Rhames, Jake Weber. Milwaukee residents fight zombies in a mall.		Creepshow Trick-or-treaters; a man in a suitcase. (N)		(:02) Creepshow Trick-or-treaters; a man in a suitcase.		(12:04) "Dawn of the Dead" (2004)		
ANPL	41	100	Alaska: The Last Frontier		Alaska: The Last Frontier		Alaska: The Last Frontier: Open Season A predator attacks the homestead. (N)		Raising Wild "Sarah Get Your Gun"		Last Frontier		
BET	61	162	(6:00) ** "Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too?" (2010) Tyler Perry, Sharon Leal. Four couples struggle with the challenges of married life.		Below Deck Sailing Yacht "Behind the Episode 115" (N)		Below Deck Sailing Yacht "DOPE!" Captain Glenn confronts Jenna. (N)		Camp Getaway "Camp Fire'd" It's Camp Getaway's LGBTQ weekend. (N)		Watch What Happens Live Below Deck Sailing Yacht "DOPE!" Captain Glenn confronts Jenna.		
BRAVO	47	181	Special Report: Markets (N)		Shark Tank		Shark Tank (DVS)		Shark Tank		Shark Tank Jay Leno's Garage		
CNBC	35	84	Erin Burnett OutFront (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight with Don Lemon (N)		CNN Tonight with Don Lemon (N) Anderson Cooper		
CNN	3	80	The Daily Show With Trevor Noah		The Office		The Office		The Office		The Office South Park		
COM	57	136	(:05) Bunk'd		Big City Greens		(:25) Big City Greens		(8:50) Bunk'd (:40) Raven's Home		(:05) Gabby Duran & the Unstables Coop & Cami Ask the World (10:55) Sydney to the Max (:20) Bunk'd (12:10) Jessie		
DISN	18	200	Street Outlaws: Memphis: Full Throttle		Street Outlaws: Memphis (N)		Fast N' Loud "Hot for Firebirds" (N)		(:01) Car Kings (N)		(:01) Fast N' Loud Street-Memphis		
DSC	42	103	Peyton's Places		Peyton's Places		NFL Football 2018 Week 4. From Oct. 1, 2018.		SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N)		SportsCenter		
ESPN	26	35	The Last Dance		The Last Dance		The Last Dance		The Last Dance		NFL Live World of X Games		
ESPN2	27	39	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Grocery Games		Bakeaway Camp With Martha Stewart		Amy Schumer Learns to Cook (N)		Amy Schumer Learns to Cook Bakeaway Camp		
FOOD	40	109	The Story With Martha MacCallum (N)		Tucker Carlson Tonight (N)		Hannity (N)		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News at Night With Shannon Tucker Carlson		
FOXN	37	90	(6:00) *** "The Jungle Book" (2016) Neel Sethi. Young Mowgli meets an array of animals in the jungle.		* "Grown Ups" (2010, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Kevin James, Chris Rock. Five friends learn that age and maturity do not, necessarily, coincide.		3 Wide Life Sports Stars		MLB Baseball From June 10, 2019.		** "A Cinderella Story" (2004)		
FREE	20	131	MLB Baseball From June 10, 2019.		3 Wide Life Sports Stars		MLB Baseball From June 10, 2019.		The 700 Club				
FSS	21	47	(6:00) "A Novel Romance" (2015, Romance) Amy Acker, Dylan Bruce.		"Falling for Vermont" (2017, Romance) Julie Gonzalo, Benjamin Ayres, Peter Benson. A woman with amnesia finds refuge with a doctor in Vermont.		The Golden Girls		The Golden Girls		The Golden Girls		
HALL	52	183	Home Town "A Vacation Every Day"		Celebrity IOU (DVS)		Celebrity IOU "A Mom Renner-vation!"		(:01) Home Town (N)		(:01) Home Town "Fire and Water" Celebrity IOU		
HGTV	39	112	American Pickers (DVS)		American Pickers "Mr. Whizzer"		American Pickers "Wild West Gold" (N)		(:03) Pawn Stars "Saints and Winners"		(:01) Pawn Stars "I Don't Give a Dime" American Pickers		
HIST	45	110	Criminal Minds "Mr. & Mrs. Anderson" A pair of murder suspects.		Criminal Minds "Gabby" A 4-year-old girl goes missing. (DVS)		Criminal Minds "Persuasion" Several drowned people are discovered.		Criminal Minds "Rabid" Three bodies with bite marks are found.		Criminal Minds "The Edge of Winter" Questions about a stabbing case arise.		
ION	13	18	The First 48 "Stray Shot" Young thugs terrorize a neighborhood.		The First 48 "Stray Shot" Young thugs terrorize a neighborhood.		(:03) The First 48 A teen is killed in a robbery gone bad.		(:03) The First 48 A high school graduate is gunned down.		(:03) The First 48 A 911 caller is found covered in blood. (12:01) The First 48 "Stray Shot"		
LIFE	50	145	MSNBC Live: Decision 2020 (N)		All In With Chris Hayes (N)		The Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word		The 11th Hour With Brian Williams (N) Rachel Maddow		
MSNBC	36	92	SpongeBob		SpongeBob		Friends		Friends		Friends		
NICK	16	210	Cops		Cops		Cops		Cops		Cops		
PARMT	64	153	(6:00) *** "John Wick: Chapter 2" (2017, Action) Keanu Reeves, Common, Laurence Fishburne. (DVS)		** "The Hitman's Bodyguard" (2017, Action) Ryan Reynolds, Samuel L. Jackson, Gary Oldman. A bodyguard and a hitman must bring down a dictator. (DVS)		American Dad (N) (DVS)		American Dad "The Long March"		(:04) Futurama (:34) Futurama "Zapp Dingbat" (12:03) Futurama		
SYFY	58	152	Family Guy "Lottery Fever"		Family Guy (DVS)		Family Guy (DVS)		Family Guy "Back to the Pilot" Family Guy "Thanksgiving"		Conan (N) Seinfeld "The Opera" Seinfeld "The Virgin" (DVS)		
TBS	24	156	(6:00) ** "The Terminal Man" (1974) George Segal.		** "Girl Crazy" (1943, Musical Comedy) Mickey Rooney, Judy Garland, Gil Stratton. Playboy eyes dean's granddaughter at male night school.		** "She's Working Her Way Through College" (1952) Virginia Mayo, Ronald Reagan. A burlesque queen decides to get a college education.		Magnificent! "Mermaid Fantasy"		Self-Quarantined		
TCM	49	186	90 Day Fiance: Before the 90 Days		90 Day Fiance: Self-Quarantined		90 Day Fiance: Self-Quarantined (N)		90 Day Fiance: What Now? (N)				
TLC	43	157	(5:00) *** "Black Panther" (2018) Chadwick Boseman. (DVS)		*** "Ant-Man" (2015, Action) Paul Rudd, Michael Douglas, Evangeline Lilly. Ant-Man uses his shrinking skills to battle Yellowjacket. (DVS)		Snowpiercer A grisly murder stokes class division. (DVS)		(:36) ** "Allied" (2016) Brad Pitt, Marion Cotillard. Premiere. (DVS)				
TNT	23	158	Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers		Impractical Jokers		Tirdy Works Impractical Jokers		
TRUTV	38	129	Love-Raymond		Love-Raymond		Love-Raymond		Love-Raymond		King of Queens King of Queens King of Queens		
TV LAND	55	161	Chicago P.D. "Don't Read the News" A young woman is found shot to death.		WWE Monday Night RAW (N) (Live)		Criminal Minds "Brothers in Arms"		Criminal Minds "Normal"		Criminal Minds "Bloodline" Criminal Minds		
USA	25	132	Criminal Minds "52 Pickup"		Criminal Minds "Brothers in Arms"		Criminal Minds "Normal"		Criminal Minds "Soul Mates"		Criminal Minds "Bloodline" Criminal Minds		
WE	68	166	Last Man Standing		Last Man Standing		Last Man Standing		Almost Paradise "Lone Wolf" (N)		Last Man Standing		
WGNA	8	172	Last Man Standing		Last Man Standing		Last Man Standing		Almost Paradise "Lone Wolf" (N)		Last Man Standing		



# Tom Cruise's Top 10 Movies

BY JAY BOBBIN

**"Mission: Impossible – Fallout" (2018):** Deemed by many to be the best entry in the action series thus far, this chapter has Cruise's Ethan Hunt revisiting aspects of his past while trying to find missing plutonium before it can be used for evil purposes.

**"Magnolia" (1999):** Cruise is dynamic as a motivational speaker who has a strained relationship with his dying father (Jason Robards).

**"Jerry Maguire" (1996):** Arguably Cruise's best-rounded performance, his portrayal of a sports agent who's eventually driven by more than profit is, in a word, great.

**"The Firm" (1993):** Cruise is a fine match for novelist John Grisham's hero Mitch McDeere, a young attorney who learns evil lurks behind the doors of the Memphis law office he's just joined.

**"A Few Good Men" (1992):** Cruise packs power as a military lawyer trying to determine who's ultimately responsible for an enlisted man's death by hazing.

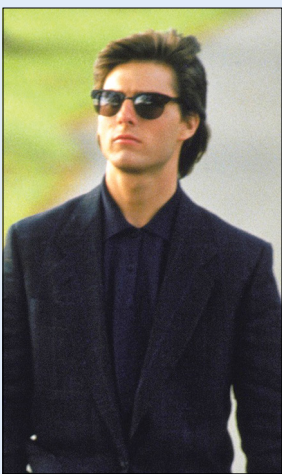
**"Born on the Fourth of July" (1989):** Gambling with his image to play Vietnam War veteran and activist Ron Kovic, Cruise is superb.

**"Rain Man" (1988):** Cruise reacts as much as acts against Dustin Hoffman's sterling work as an autistic savant, and the result is stunning.

**"The Color of Money" (1986):** Cruise holds his own as a young pool shark who takes on the king of hustlers, "Fast Eddie" Felson (Paul Newman).

**"Top Gun" (1986):** As impulsive pilot Maverick, Cruise felt the need for speed. So did millions of moviegoers who made this adrenaline-charged drama one of the biggest hits in screen history – and a sequel is forthcoming.

**"Risky Business" (1983):** The movie that really got things rolling for Cruise remains one of his very best, as enterprising student Joel ends up running a makeshift brothel for a night and learning the wisdom of the phrase, "What the f... ."



## Tom Cruise's first "Mission" success made numerous sequels possible

BY JAY BOBBIN

Tom Cruise clearly has enjoyed a lot of success in his career, and one of those successes has continued to refresh itself over a quarter-century.

When the superstar first was married to "Mission: Impossible" in 1996, it was a virtual guarantee of a double triumph ... one of the movies' top personalities matched to one of television's most famous franchises. Five follow-ups have resulted to date, with the seventh and eighth editions now in the works – and to see how far the films have come, it's worth revisiting the original one (which CBS broadcasts Sunday, May 17).

Having Brian De Palma as its director also was a huge plus for the first picture, which does get mired a bit in its narrative of who is double-crossing who and why. The premise means a huge twist for one of the TV series' staple characters that enraged many fans (and, reportedly, the performer who initially played the part).

The Impossible Missions Force that includes Cruise's Ethan Hunt is sent on an

assignment that lands them in and around an elegant event in Prague, with Hunt using one of the famous "Mission" face masks to pose as someone else (and try as hard as the makeup masters do, not for one second do you believe it's anyone other than Cruise). A betrayal leaves Hunt the only apparent survivor, and he goes on the run himself when he's suspected of being the orchestrator of the ambush.

To clear himself and set things right, he assembles a team of his own, notably including tech wizard Luther Stickell (Ving Rhames, who has reprised the part in every other "Mission" movie since). Also on board is literally shift-eyed pilot Franz Krieger (Jean Reno), who has a mistrustful relationship with Hunt from the start.

A lot of talk about computer downloads and illegal arms sales ensues, but what really count – and remain memorable – are the action set pieces, the most imitated one involving Hunt's infiltration of an office at CIA headquarters by descending into it from the ceiling. The overhead shots of his spidery silhouette against

a very bright floor have a mesmerizing effect, and the scene also affirms how much suspense a single bead of sweat can generate.

Also great fun is the stunt-packed climax that pits Hunt against the chief villain aboard a speeding train in Europe's Channel Tunnel (or "Chunnel"), ultimately involving a pursuing helicopter and an especially effective stick of supposed chewing gum. Jon Voight, Vanessa Redgrave, Kristin Scott Thomas, an unbilled Emilio Estevez and Henry Czerny (who will return for the next two "Missions") also are in on the brains and brawn.

(Side note: It likely won't be heard at the end of the CBS telecast, since networks love to run ads for their other shows over closing credits, but U2's Larry Mullen and Adam Clayton contributed a terrific take on Lalo Schiffrin's "Mission" theme to the soundtrack.)

The "Mission: Impossible" movies have come a long way since the first, but that opener still has its rewards, both unto itself and as the set-up for all that would follow it.



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# Class warfare engulfs post-apocalyptic survivors aboard ‘Snowpiercer’ in TNT sci-fi drama

BY GEORGE DICKIE

An attempt to stem climate change backfires, plunging Earth into a new ice age and some of its inhabitants into a struggle to survive aboard an enormous train circling the frozen globe in a sci-fi series debuting on TNT.

In “Snowpiercer,” premiering Sunday, May 17, those survivors wind up on an ark-like supertrain of the same name, created

by a rich visionary named Mr. Wilford, who foresaw the impending apocalypse and wanted to ensure humanity’s survival. It is here on this 1,001-car juggernaut where the haves, the have-nots and the unlawful are segregated into separate sections.

While the commoners in the back of the train cope with overcrowding and dwindling

food rations, the biggest problem the rich face in the elegant front is body-shaming in the sauna. But when a murder occurs that could upend life on board, former homicide detective Layton (Daveed Diggs, “black-ish”) is plucked from the back or “the tail” to investigate.

Among those aboard are the head of hospitality Melanie (Jennifer Connelly, “A Beautiful Mind”) and her right hand, Ruth (Alison Wright, “The Americans”); Bess (Mickey Sumner, “Frances Ha”), a member of the train’s police force; Jinju (Susan Park, “Ghostbusters”), the train’s head agricultural officer; Bennett (Iddo Goldberg, “Peaky Blinders”), an engineer who knows the train end to end; and LJ (Annalise Basso, “Oculus”), the nihilistic teen daughter of a powerful family.

The story, which is based on the graphic novel series and the 2013 film from director Bong Joon Ho (who is also an executive producer here), is heavy on class warfare and social injustice as the politics of survival play out and everyone tries to keep their secrets under wraps.



That is especially true of Connelly’s character Melanie, as the actress told a recent gathering of journalists in Pasadena, Calif.

“I felt like the person that you first meet in Episode 1 is very different from the person you come to know by the end of the first season,” she says. “And it’s a kind of gradual unfolding as you come to understand what she’s been hiding, what she’s been carrying, things that she’s been compartmentalizing. I think a lot of that is ... brought

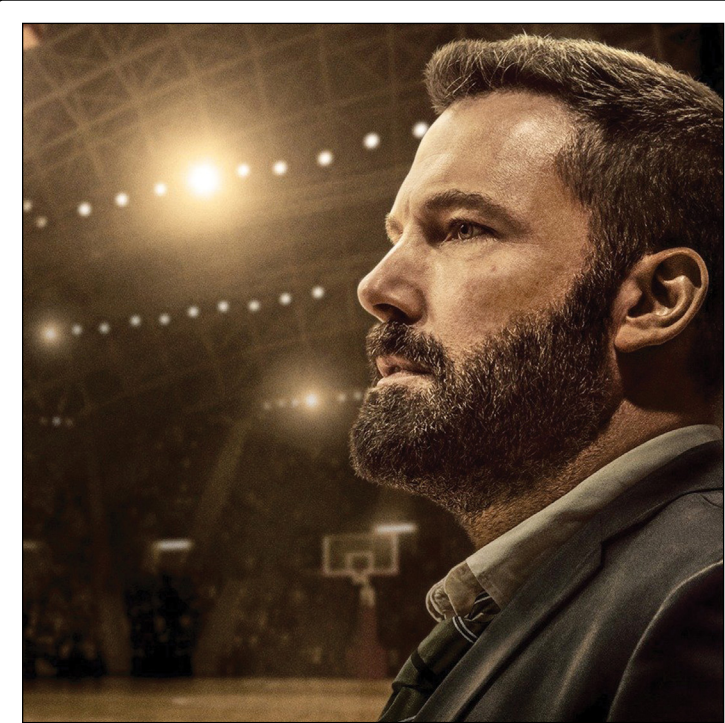
about by her relationship with Layton. She’s forced to confront choices that she’s made and who she is, and who she’s become.

“And that’s sort of a gradual process and also is not entirely linear,” she continues. “And I found that a very rewarding process going through that and watching that character unfold ... .”

Similarly, Diggs’ character of Layton also has some skeletons in his closet.



## View from the Couch BY JAY BOBBIN



**“The Way Back”**

It might be argued that in this drama, Ben Affleck isn’t giving a performance so much as tapping heavily into his own life experience. The Oscar-winning actor-writer-director has been candid about struggles he has faced, one of them being drinking – and that’s the albatross of his character here, a construction worker who’s on a direct path to rock bottom. His possible salvation comes with an offer for him to become the coach of the basketball team at his former high school, where he was a star athlete himself. If this sounds predictable ... well, it largely is, but that doesn’t mean it can’t also be affecting. Affleck is very much that here, and it also helps that he reunites with a director he’s worked with successfully before: Gavin O’Connor, who steered him through the underrated thriller “The Accountant.” The cast also features younger performers who supply a good deal of appeal as the ballplayers, most of whom really need their new coach’s guidance, but there’s no question that the film is primarily a solid vehicle for Affleck. Michaela Watkins, Janina Gavankar and veteran actor Glynn Turman also appear. DVD extra: “making-of” documentary. »» (R: AS, P) (Also on Blu-ray)

**“Sonic the Hedgehog”**

Jim Carrey’s naturally animated persona lends itself to live-action versions of projects that originated in cartoonish form, and it proves valuable again in this entertaining take on a long-popular video-game series.

Wanted in another world for his amazing powers, Sonic (still animated here, and voiced by Ben Schwartz) comes to Earth to hide out from pursuers, then jeopardizes his secluded and peaceful life in Montana by unwittingly setting off a power outage that alerts the sinister

Dr. Robotnik (Carrey) to his presence. Sonic then finds allies in a small-town sheriff and the lawman’s wife (James Marsden, Tika Sumpter) as he flees toward San Francisco. Adam Pally (“Indebted”) and Neal McDonough also are featured. »» (PG: AS, P, V) (Also on Blu-ray, 4K Ultra HD and On Demand)

**“Onward”**

With its run cut short by the coronavirus pandemic, this Disney-Pixar teaming made its way to streaming platforms only two weeks after its release, and it now adds other home-video platforms. The computer-animated tale puts two elf siblings (who have the voices of Tom Holland and Chris Pratt) on a mission to bring their deceased father back, using a magical staff that he left behind – but the instrument is only partially successful, restoring just half of the deceased party’s body. In trying to complete their quest, the brothers embark on a quest to find something that can finish the spell, but colorful characters and dangerous creatures threaten to stand in their way. Still, as might be expected, they learn many valuable lessons about themselves and each other. The voice cast also includes Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Octavia Spencer, Mel Rodriguez, Kyle Bornheimer, Lena Waithe, Tracey Ullman and Wilmer Valderrama. »» (PG: AS) (Also on Blu-ray, 4K Ultra HD and On Demand)

**“Downhill”**

If you had to name the genre that is the specialty of Will Ferrell and Julia Louis-Dreyfus, it would be comedy. Often,

though, they try to infuse something more into their humor – and it’s there in longtime creative partners Jim Rash and Nat Faxon’s remake of the Swedish film “Force Majeure,” with Mother Nature taking its toll on a couple’s relationship. They’re vacationing in the Alps with their sons when an avalanche strikes ... and rather than stay behind to protect his family, Ferrell’s character turns tail and runs. His wife (Louis-Dreyfus) is not very happy with him in the aftermath, especially the more he tries to deny that he fled to save his own hide, and the discord between them plays out in a number of ways. “Saturday Night Live” alums both, the two stars certainly are agreeable performers, and their teaming is something of an event ... but this is not a comfortable movie, and that may be its point. The duo surely is skilled enough to pull it off, but you’re not likely to say you had a particularly good time with them here; Miranda Otto co-stars, and “Succession’s” Jesse Armstrong co-wrote the script with directors Rash and Faxon. »» (R: AS, P) (Also on Blu-ray and On Demand)

**“Emma.”**

The Jane Austen novel about a self-propelled matchmaker has had a number of screen workouts both classic and contemporary, and this latest version goes back to the “classic” realm with Anya Taylor-Joy in the title role. During the 19th century, the wealthy Emma makes others’ love lives her business, manipulating

those while ignoring her own emotional needs ... until she becomes enchanted by the brother (Johnny Flynn) of her sister-in-law, who doesn’t seem to have much interest in reciprocating. Mia Goth, Miranda Hart, Bill Nighy, Callum Turner and Rupert Graves also star in the lavish production, another film released early to streaming platforms because their theatrical runs were shortened by theaters closing due to the coronavirus pandemic. »» (PG: AS, N) (Also on Blu-ray and On Demand)

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