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# The Summit Scene

## 'Palm Springs' becomes an inescapable destination for Milioti

BY JAY BOBBIN

If Palm Springs seems a great place to escape to, a comedy named for it makes it a place two people can't escape from.

The premise of "Groundhog Day," "Russian Doll" and other time-repeating tales gets a fresh workout in "Palm Springs," a recent Sundance Film Festival entry that makes its Hulu streaming debut Friday, July 10 – the same day it also becomes available to theaters. "Brooklyn Nine-Nine's" Andy Samberg (also a producer of the film) and "How I Met Your Mother" alum Cristin Milioti star as wedding attendees who can't get away from the event, since the day of the nuptials keeps rebooting itself for them.

"I'd never quite read anything like it," the friendly Milioti says of the movie, written by Andy Siara and directed by Max Barbakow. "I thought it was so strange and funny and weird and moving. It deals with

some really heavy things in its own unique, irreverent way, and that's the kind of stuff I'm drawn to. I really loved it."

Though "Palm Springs" has a cast that also boasts Oscar winner J.K. Simmons, Peter Gallagher, Meredith Hagner and Camila Mendes ("Riverdale"), Samberg is Milioti's principal acting partner. In the script, his character Nyles makes the point that "nothing matters" since almost everything is erased when the same day begins again, but working with Samberg mattered very much to Milioti.

"I was so fortunate to have a partner like him in this," reflects Milioti. "He is so generous and lovely, and we laughed our faces off. By the end of the shoot, I was wondering if we could do our version of two actors who just keep working together: 'Is there another movie we could be in?' I just adore him."

A 2012 Tony Award nominee for the musical "Once," Milioti attended the premiere of "Palm Springs" at what turned out to be one of the entertainment industry's last mass gatherings before the coronavirus pandemic hit. She recalls last January's Sundance event as "a blast. We saw the movie in a theater in Park City with about 400 people, and it was so incredible to experience it with an audience. It was so special, especially in the face of now not being able to convene in a giant group like that."

As with so many other shows, work on Milioti's next series was put on hold by the pandemic. "We have the last 30 percent of the shoot to finish" for HBO Max's "Made for Love," she reports, "but what's comforting is that everybody is in the same boat. It's not, like, just one production ... but I'm very much looking forward to getting back to that show and finishing it."

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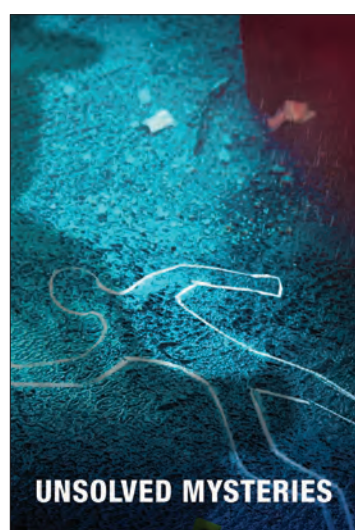
**The luckiest signs this week:**  
Aries, Taurus and Gemini

- ♈ ARIES**  
You'll be responsible for an event that brings people together. Working as part of a team will help you be more productive. You'll need to devote a lot of attention to your friends this week.
- ♉ TAURUS**  
Make this summer a season of achievements. Start a new project or take your career in a new direction. Now is an ideal time to launch your own business.
- ♊ GEMINI**  
Hurry up and plan a vacation if you haven't already. Take the time to create an itinerary so you can make the most of the experience. It'll be an opportunity for discovery and happiness.
- ♋ CANCER**  
You need to make significant changes to your surroundings, which makes you feel like you're on an emotional roller coaster. While it might be stressful, taking on a large project will inspire you.
- ♌ LEO**  
You'll finally reach an understanding with someone at work or in your personal life. You'll be in an ideal position to request a loan or finalize an agreement.
- ♍ VIRGO**  
Work will require your full attention. A lot of details need to be considered. Take your time and be meticulous to ensure things get done properly.
- ♎ LIBRA**  
You'll be asked to take the reins on a particular project. It'll be demanding, but the experience will improve your self-esteem and give you more confidence.
- ♏ SCORPIO**  
Whether you're on vacation or at home, you'll need to spend most of the week indoors. Family matters will require your attention, and your body may need time to rest.
- ♐ SAGITTARIUS**  
You'll have trouble getting in touch with some people, and you may need to wait a while for them to return your calls. Even if the situation is urgent, you need to be patient.
- ♑ CAPRICORN**  
You may need to review your financial situation and reassess your budget. Carefully review your receipts as a mistake may have been overlooked. Doing so could result in considerable savings.
- ♒ AQUARIUS**  
You'll feel like you can conquer the world this week. You'll find the motivation to improve your circumstances and experience a new beginning of sorts.
- ♓ PISCES**  
You'll need to start this week by thinking before you act. Large projects will require more consideration. Once you get moving, you're sure to find the answers you're looking for.

# New Streaming Movies & Shows

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**"Unsolved Mysteries"**  
The iconic documentary series that aired from 1987 to 2010 is back, telling more tales of ordinary people and their experiences with extraordinary circumstances. From unexplained disappearances and shocking deaths to paranormal encounters, family members offer clues, present theories and identify suspects in the hopes that one viewer will hold the key to solving the mystery. (ORIGINAL)



**"Movie: Mucho mucho amor: The Legend of Walter Mercado"**  
The Puerto Rican astrologer and TV personality known for his long, flowing robes and flamboyant style on his programs in Latin America and the United States is the subject of this documentary from co-directors Kareem Tabsch ("The Last Resort") and Cristina Costantini ("Science Fair"), which was made before his passing last year at the age of 87. (ORIGINAL)



**"Stateless"**  
From Australia comes this drama series starring and co-created by Cate Blanchett that follows the stories of four people caught up in an immigration system that severely impacts their lives as they each confront issues regarding protection and border control in a different way. Dominic West, Yvonne Strahovski and Jai Courtney are also in the cast. (ORIGINAL)



**"Movie: The Old Guard"**  
Based on the graphic novel by Greg Rucka, this action movie stars Charlize Theron ("The Cider House Rules") as an immortal vigilante who leads a team of mercenaries that has protected the world throughout human history. Matthias Schoenaerts, Luca Marinelli, KiKi Layne and Marwan Kenzari play the rest of the mercenary team for director Gina Prince-Bythewood ("Love & Basketball"). (ORIGINAL)



**"Movie: Charlie's Angels"**  
Elizabeth Banks wrote, directed and co-produced this 2019 action film, the third entry in a film franchise that in turn was inspired by the 1976-81 TV series of the same title. Kristen Stewart, Naomi Scott and Ella Balinska star as the titular trio of formidable female agents dispatched by executive Charles Townsend. Patrick Stewart co-stars as John Bosley, Charlie's original assistant.



**"Movie: XX"**  
Four horrific tales of terror are part and parcel of this 2017 anthology movie that's made up of short films by Jovanka Vuckovic ("Riot Girls"), Annie Clark ("The Picture of Dorian Gray"), Roxanne Benjamin ("Body at Brighton Rock") and Karyn Kusama ("Jennifer's Body"). Melanie Lynskey, Breeda Wool, Peyton Kennedy and Natalie Brown are among the cast.



**"Movie: Miss Snake Charmer"**  
Though probably not for the squeamish, this 2018 documentary chronicles an unusual high-school beauty pageant in Sweetwater, Texas, that requires each contestant to kill and skin a live rattlesnake before they can don evening wear and show off their other talents. The winner then spends a weekend reigning over the pits at the the World's Largest Rattlesnake Roundup.



**"Movie: Palm Springs"**  
A carefree bachelor (Andy Samberg, "Brooklyn Nine-Nine") and a maid of honor (Cristin Milioti, "How I Met Your Mother") have a chance encounter at a Palm Springs wedding but when they try to leave the venue they're unable to in this comedy movie from first-time feature filmmaker Max Barbakow. J.K. Simmons, Meredith Hagner, Camila Mendes, Tyler Hoechlin and Peter Gallagher round out the solid cast. (ORIGINAL)



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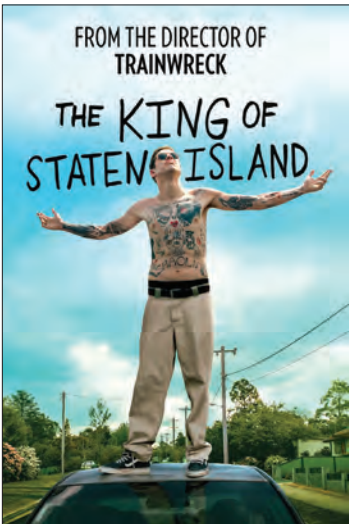
**"Movie: Scoob!"**  
This 2020 animated adventure movie finds Scooby, Shaggy and the gang facing their biggest threat yet — a plot to unleash the ghost dog Cerberus on the world. As the group grapples with how to contain the canine, they discover that Scooby has as epic destiny that's greater than any of them imagined. Will Forte, Mark Wahlberg, Gina Rodriguez and Jason Isaacs head the voice cast.



**"Movie: The High Note"**  
Nisha Ganatra ("Late Night") directed this 2020 musical drama about an egotistical superstar singer (Tracee Ellis Ross, "black-ish") and her overworked personal assistant (Dakota Johnson, "Fifty Shades of Grey") who devise a life-changing course of action when the manager presents a career-altering choice. Bill Pullman, June Diane Raphael, Ice Cube and Eddie Izzard are also in the cast.



**"Greatness Code"**  
Seven episodes that examine a pivotal moment in an athlete's career. Season one will feature three-time NBA champion LeBron James, six-time Super Bowl champion Tom Brady, U.S. Women's National Soccer Team co-captain Alex Morgan, and Olympic gold medalist snowboarder Shaun White. (ORIGINAL)



**"Movie: The King of Staten Island"**  
"SNL" regular Pete Davidson co-wrote this dramedy about a 20-something struggling with substance abuse in the wake of his father's death.



**"Dragnet"**  
Just the facts, ma'am. The first season of the iconic 1967-70 NBC series about a police detective and his partners investigating crime in L.A. is now available to stream.



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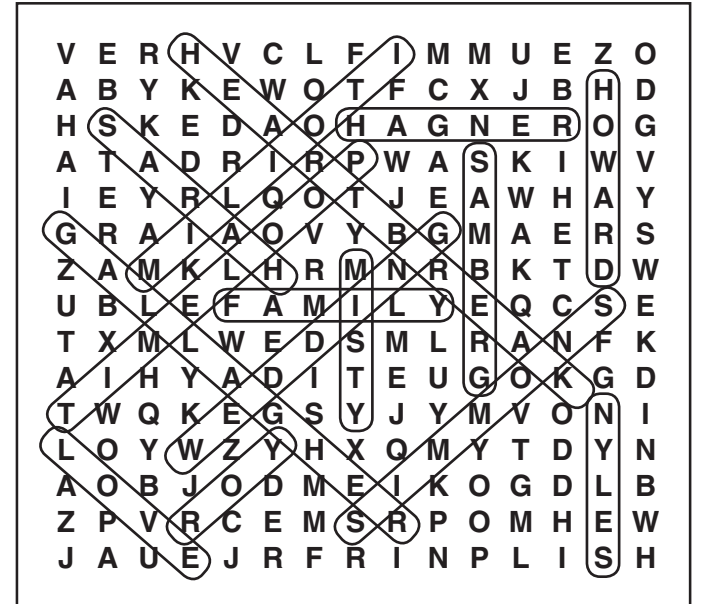
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"Palm Springs" on Hulu  
(Words in parentheses not in puzzle)

Nyles	(Andy) Samberg	Wedding
Sarah	(Cristin) Milioti	Family
Misty	(Meredith) Hagner	Time Loop
Howard	(Peter) Gallagher	Heartbreak
Roy	(J.K.) Simmons	Love

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# Crosswords



The solution to the question is found within the answers in the puzzle. In order to discover this hidden solution, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

**ACROSS**

- 1. Effort needed for hard work (2)
- 10. Has a bug
- 11. Sign of fall
- 12. Deep tire wheel track
- 13. U.S. flag color
- 14. Plato's Ms
- 16. Calf coverers (2)
- 18. Fraternity letter
- 20. Lively dance
- 21. Part of the hand
- 22. Bakery purchase
- 23. Sean Taro \_\_\_ Lennon
- 24. Word attached to book or ball
- 25. Vulgar
- 27. Walk-\_\_\_; those without appointments
- 28. Space to work comfortably (2)
- 32. Teacher's fill-in
- 33. X's forerunners
- 34. Name for 13 popes
- 37. \_\_\_-\_\_\_-Roni; "The San Francisco Treat"
- 39. Two and three
- 40. Hilarious joke (hyph.)

- 7. Burstyn's initials
- 8. Knight's protection
- 9. Small pot
- 13. Hospital employee
- 15. Coils of yarn
- 16. One of the Kardashians
- 17. Winter toy
- 18. Discussion groups
- 19. Do a \_\_\_ \_\_\_; begin to seethe
- 21. Kraków native
- 24. That fellow
- 26. Old TV's "The Many Loves of \_\_\_ Gillis"
- 29. Kicks oneself for
- 30. Skating rink
- 31. Cry from a flu shot clinic
- 34. Cold sore site
- 35. Apple sampler
- 36. Anthem contraction
- 38. Initials for Eastwood
- 39. Late actor Prinze's initials

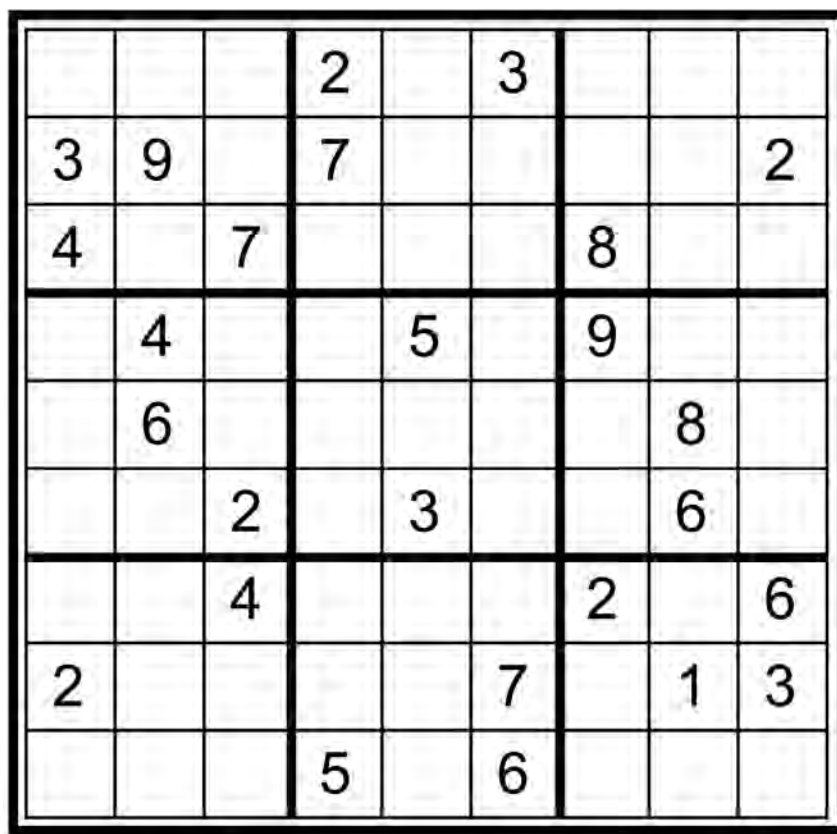
**DOWN**

- 1. Location of the malleus
- 2. Actress Lucy \_\_\_
- 3. Sandwich letters
- 4. Sharif's initials
- 5. Merriment
- 6. Amusement park draw



# 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**

6	5	8	2	9	3	1	7	4
3	9	1	7	8	4	6	5	2
4	2	7	1	6	5	8	3	9
8	4	3	6	5	1	9	2	7
9	6	5	4	7	2	3	8	1
7	1	2	8	3	9	4	6	5
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## Lawrence and Pratt find romance in the stars as intergalactic 'Passengers'

BY JAY BOBBIN

Movies set aboard big spaceships for long journeys, such as "2001: A Space Odyssey" and "Silent Running," can make you wonder how the folks on board spend their time. Yes, it's a lot of space, but it is still confined space.

The 2016 fantasy-drama "Passengers" – which FX shows Monday and Tuesday, July 6 and 7 – addresses that issue, with Jennifer Lawrence and Chris Pratt as the major characters awakened from a deep slumber after an asteroid hits their vessel that's destined for a colonized planet.

Actually, Pratt is the one revived by the collision; he's an engineer alone in being conscious, and he decides he needs company, so he wakes up the journalist played by Lawrence. More than 5,000 other passengers remain dozing, so these two pretty much have the run of the place, for better and for worse.

Their trek is supposed to span 120 years, and since they can't go back to their previous state

of sleep, they probably won't live to tell others about it. They bond – closely – over their shared situation, with an android played by Michael Sheen on hand for some comic relief. However, he also knows some things that make for a tense race to the finish line.

Even more emotionally than visually, though the visuals are stunning at times, "Passengers" succeeds in merging the basics of sci-fi with the roots of a romance. And Lawrence and Pratt work well together, which is a good thing, since this movie would be doomed instantly were that not the case.

While they're not the only actors on hand here (Laurence Fishburne and Andy Garcia also turn up), they certainly are the focus. They have a tightly interlocked arc to go through, demanding lightness as well as tougher stuff, and they make that trip together quite successfully.

Also, the film gives director Morten Tyldum

the opportunity to try something that seems vastly different from the picture he still may be best-known for, "The Imitation Game." At the same time, this still is a relationship story principally, so he's on familiar territory there ... just with a lot more technology to handle, and clearly with a more sizable budget that reportedly netted Lawrence and Pratt very big paydays.

If you debate booking passage for "Passengers," thanks to the intriguing premise and the effective acting, the advice is simple: Do it.



## Chris Pratt's Top 10 Movies

BY JAY BOBBIN

**"Passengers" (2016):** Pratt and Jennifer Lawrence make an involving duo as (just about) the only two humans awake on a space station that's making a very long voyage.

**"The Magnificent Seven" (2016):** Though this Western remake doesn't displace the classic original, it's fun to watch Pratt hold his own against the likes of Denzel Washington as the village-saving gunslingers.

**"Jurassic World" (2015):** The fun spirit Pratt brings to his role as a "raptor whisperer" brings fresh energy to the franchise.

**"Guardians of the Galaxy" (2014):** A star was born with Pratt's hugely likable portrayal of Peter Quill, the leader of an offbeat band of Marvel superheroes.

**"Her" (2013):** Though the picture really belongs to Joaquin Phoenix and the voice of Scarlett Johansson, Pratt offers reliable supporting work.

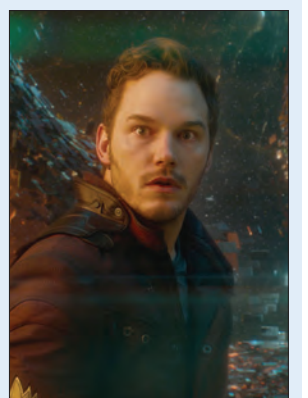
**"The Five-Year Engagement" (2012):** Again cast as the best pal, Pratt solidly supports top-billed stars Jason Segal and Emily Blunt.

**"Moneyball" (2011):** Pratt gets to show off his athleticism as one of the Oakland Athletics players assessed for success by the team's general manager and a consultant (Brad Pitt, Jonah Hill).

**"Bride Wars" (2009):** Pratt was still trading on his goofy-funny television image ("Everwood," "The O.C.") in playing the fiancé of Anne Hathaway's character.

**"Wanted" (2008):** Pratt's future in action fare was foreshadowed by his part opposite Angelina Jolie and James McAvoy in this furiously paced espionage tale.

**"Strangers With Candy" (2005):** While it isn't a huge role for him, Pratt makes his mark – in a script co-written by star Amy Poehler and Stephen Colbert – as a suitor of a middle-aged ex-con (Poehler) who tries to resume her high-school life.



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# Getting 'Tough as Nails' – Phil Keoghan hosts new competition on CBS

BY GEORGE DICKIE

When Phil Keoghan created "Tough as Nails," he didn't foresee it being even more apt by the time it aired.

A producer as well as the host of "The Amazing Race," he also fills both roles on his new CBS competition series that begins Wednesday, July 8. The contestants are workers whose regular occupations – from a deputy sheriff and a firefighter to a welder and a farmer – help keep America running and qualify them for the show's challenges, with physical and mental strength among the traits needed for tasks they perform at various job sites.

With his wife Louise a fellow executive producer of "Tough as Nails," the friendly Keoghan notes "the timing of the nature of the show" is quite appropriate. "We didn't know when we were shooting the series, which is about essential workers, just how pertinent and how relevant it was going to be in terms of what's in the zeitgeist now. We're honoring these very people, and as someone said to me, never have we been so appreciative of people who make \$15 an hour.

"I don't know if any of us will look at somebody stocking shelves in a grocery store the same way again," adds



"Tough as Nails" premieres Wednesday on CBS

Keoghan. "We understand the value of everybody who contributes to society and the world that we had taken for granted."

"The Amazing Race" is expected to return to CBS later this year with its already taped 32nd season. Keoghan is satisfied to have "Tough as Nails" on first, recognizing – and, in fact, hoping for – the added significance its theme could have in this time of social distancing and face coverings.

In a sense, the show is something of an immediate throwback to an age that may

not come back again, at least not fully. "We don't know what world we're inheriting after all of this, or how it's going to work," the clearly well-traveled Keoghan reasons. "There will definitely be changes and as we always have done, we'll just adapt."

"Are we going to shake hands again? I don't know. I wonder if that common courtesy will become more of a Japanese type of gesture, where it's doing to be more of a nod ... or maybe it will be a fist bump or elbow bump. And how will it be in restaurants, or on airplanes?"

# HBO Max is "Expecting Amy" Schumer's pregnancy documentary

BY JAY BOBBIN

Many people give birth. Most don't have a series made about it.

But then, most people aren't Amy Schumer.

The comedian-actress and husband Chris Fischer welcomed son Gene David in May 2019. Their path to parenthood – which turned out to be quite challenging – is traced in "Expecting Amy," an unscripted three-part HBO Max series she produced for the nascent streaming service, which debuts Thursday, July 9. The documentary traces Schumer's continuation of performances on tour during her pregnancy, eventually covering 42 cities and 60 shows en route to the planned taping of a special in Chicago.

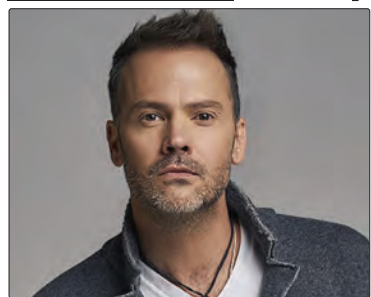
The program traces that from the moment she posted her social-media announcement that she was "with child." However, "Expecting Amy" (directed and edited by Alexander Hammer, who worked with Beyoncé on Netflix's "Homecoming") also backs up to show events that set the stage for Schumer to become a mother, tracing earlier times in her relationship with Fischer, whom she married in February 2018.



Their wedding vows are shown in the series, and their pledge to stick by each other soon would face a big test from Schumer's pregnancy complications. She battled hyperemesis gravidarum, a side effect that Kate Middleton also experienced with all three of her pregnancies. It's marked by continual nausea and vomiting, dehydration and loss of weight, and Schumer noted in an Instagram post that she "felt sick mostly every day of my pregnancy."

Nevertheless, she also has said that she and Fischer were thinking about having a second child before the coronavirus pandemic hit. While they're waiting on that for the time being, "Expecting Amy" serves as a video diary of what already has made them Mom and Dad.

## In Focus Deeper "Into the Dark" on Hulu

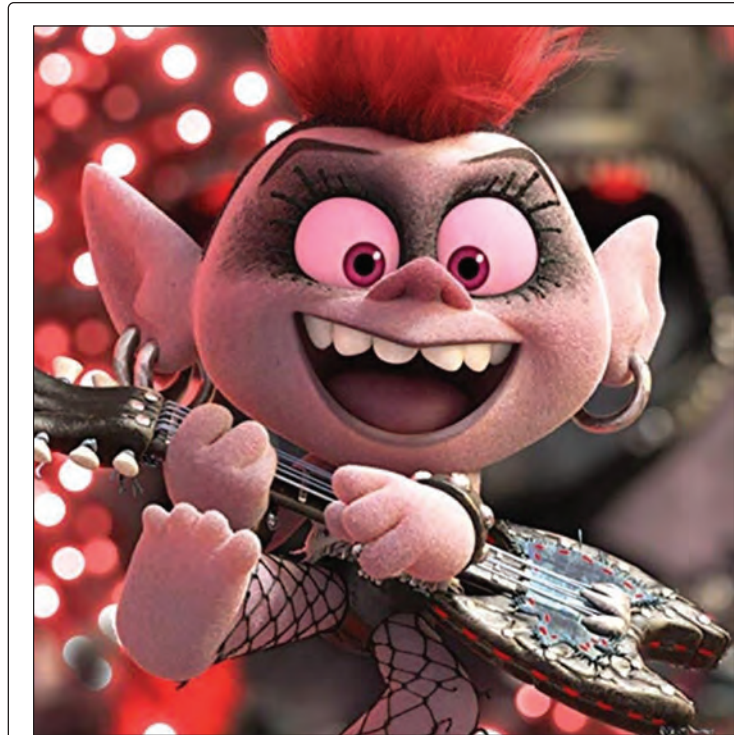


Movie: "The Current Occupant" (Hulu, July 17)

This installment of the "Into the Dark" series of original horror feature movies tells the story of a man with no memory in a mysterious psychiatric ward who comes to believe he is the president of the United States and the target of a diabolical political conspiracy. Julius Ramsay ("Midnighters") directs a cast headed by Barry Watson ("The Loudest Voice"), Sonita Henry ("Krypton"), Lilli Birdsall ("Doom Patrol") and Kate Cobb ("Scandal").

## View from the Couch BY JAY BOBBIN

AS Adult situations	Family Viewing Ratings	GV Graphic Violence
P Profanity	V Violence	N Nudity



"Trolls World Tour"

This animated sequel made news when it kept its original release date during the coronavirus pandemic, but debuted on On Demand as well as in any theaters that still wanted (and were open) to book it ... and it fared quite well financially in its first wave of home viewing. Anna Kendrick and Justin Timberlake reprise their voice roles from the first "Trolls" as Queen Poppy and Branch, who fight a plot to quiet all other music in their kingdom by a "Rocker Troll" who wants her sound to be the only one. Kelly Clarkson, Rachel Bloom ("Crazy Ex-Girlfriend"), "Saturday Night Live's" Kenan Thompson, James Corden, Oscar winner Sam Rockwell and Ozzy Osbourne also are heard. DVD extras: two "making-of" documentaries; audio commentary by director Walt Dohrn, co-director David P. Smith and producer Gina Shay; "Trolls Dance Academy" and "Trolls World Tourist Map" features; "Dance Party Mode." »» (PG: AS) (Also on Blu-ray, 4K Ultra HD and On Demand)

"Hope Gap"

Writer-director William Nicholson's ("Shadowlands") drama boasts an obviously fine acting duo in Annette Bening and Bill Nighy, playing a couple whose family reunion takes an even more emotional course than anticipated. The husband intends to end his 30-year marriage, of which he informs his son (Josh O'Connor) during a

weekend visit, resulting in great stress and greatly amped-up feelings for all concerned. The coastal atmosphere of Sussex, England, adds greatly to the overall effect of the film ... which, as with so many recent releases, had its theatrical run compacted by the coronavirus pandemic. »» (PG-13: AS, P) (Also on Blu-ray and On Demand)

"Go Go Mania"

During the 1960s, movies showcasing some of the decade's most popular music acts were big draws produced relatively inexpensively. Having the artists pretty much just stand there and lip-sync to their hits, this is one such film – though it's particularly notable for the concert performances by The Beatles that open and close the picture. "Twist and Shout" and "She Loves You" are their selections, and in-between are appearances by such other "British Invasion" stars as The Animals ("House of the Rising Sun"), Peter and Gordon ("A World Without Love"), Herman's Hermits ("I'm Into Something Good"), The Honeycombs ("Have I the Right?") and Billy J. Kramer and the Dakotas ("Little Children"). The host is Jimmy Savile, at the time a popular television and radio presenter of such shows as "Top of the Pops" in England. »» (Not rated) (Also on Blu-ray)

"Gordon Lightfoot: If You Could Read My Mind"

One of the most enduring of all modern singer-songwriters, Lightfoot has had quite a storied life, as conveyed through his own recollections in this documentary made for CBC Television in his native Canada. He remembers his early years touring as a teenage musical discovery and playing coffee houses, but he ultimately would render such hits as "Sundown," "Carefree Highway," "The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald," "Rainy Day People" and (of

course) "If You Could Read My Mind" before packed arenas – with health challenges sometimes threatening to end his career prematurely. Friends, peers and admirers including Anne Murray, Alec Baldwin, Randy Bachman, Rush's Geddy Lee and Sarah McLachlan offer their perspectives on Lightfoot's personal and professional times. »» (Not rated: AS, P)

"Love on Iceland"

Now, see if you can guess which cable network this was made for: For a trek to Iceland, a woman regathers the friends she often traveled with during college, and her ex unexpectedly shows up. Yes, you probably guessed it ... it was done for Hallmark Channel, and it's actually quite charming, thanks largely to an engaging lead performance by Kaitlin Doubleday and expectedly lovely scenery. "Chicago Med" alum Colin Donnell plays the surprise attendee, and another co-star – Patti Murin – probably kept close watch on him during the romantic sequences, since in real life, she's his wife. »» (Not rated: AS)

"Tooth Fairy: The Root of Evil"

Typically, a visit from the Tooth Fairy is quite welcome by the recipient, who cashes in (often literally) by leaving a certain something that came out of their mouth under the pillow ... but not so in this case, as the title of the horror tale probably suggests. A man (Jake Watkins) tries to get past his terrifying memories of an encounter he and his family had years ago

with a sinister incarnation of the Tooth Fairy – which frames him by targeting his friends at a reunion, extracting (take a wild guess here) the victims' teeth as an especially sinister calling card. Katie McKenna and AJ Blackwell also are featured. »» (Not rated: AS, P, V)

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