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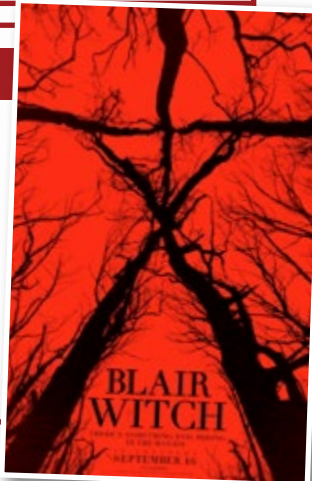
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With the summer winding down, it's time to relax a little bit from the spectacle and explosions of the Blockbuster season, and focus on the more dramatic and serious movies of the fall season. This time of year Hollywood likes to pull at our heartstrings, or chill our bones with fear, and this season will be no different. With Dramas, Biographies, and a little bit of Horror for Halloween, the fall is ready to bring the emotions, thrills, and scares for audiences to enjoy.



On September 9th, **Sully** lands in theaters. This is a biographical film about Captain Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger, who saved the lives of all 155 of his passengers and crew by landing his disabled plane in the Hudson River. Most of us have all heard of, read about, or seen the incredible landing by Captain Sully in the news, but this film seeks to delve deeper not only into the landing, but into the aftermath of his heroics. Tom Hanks stars in the lead role as Captain Sully, and from the trailer it already looks like another powerful performance from the acclaimed actor. With Clint Eastwood in the director's chair, **Sully** is shaping up to be a moving and emotional film, with some performances that may be Oscar-worthy.

On September 16th, horror fans get their first taste of terror this season, with **Blair Witch**. This is the sequel to the original **Blair Witch Project** film. In this latest installment a group of young adults seek to uncover the legend of the **Blair Witch**, and subsequently become the victims of an ominous presence stalking them. The **Blair Witch Project** was a trendsetter in terms of its style, so it'll be tricky for **Blair Witch** to recapture the mystery and fear of the first film. This version aims to go all out on the scares and gruesome imagery, so **Blair Witch** will definitely not be for the faint of heart, but brave horror fans may get a kick out of it.



On September 23rd, we head out to the old West with **The Magnificent Seven**. This remake of the classic 1960 film starring Steve McQueen is backed up by a great cast that includes Denzel Washington, Chris Pratt, Ethan Hawke, and Vincent D'Onofrio. While this film has a lot of excellent talent and potential, it will be hard not to compare this interpretation to the original. Only a handful of remakes have been able to be successful both financially and critically, and **The Magnificent Seven** will have to face this challenge. In addition, it will need to establish its own style to set it apart from other Westerns, as well as pay respect to the original to please the older generation of moviegoers. Hopefully, seven will be this movie's lucky number.



Moving on to October 7th, **The Girl on the Train** arrives in theaters. This thriller is based on the novel by Paula Hawkins, and stars Emily Blunt, who plays a woman suspected of a murder that she does not recall committing. The book this movie is based on has been hailed as the next *Gone Girl*, and the film aims to be as mysterious and heart-pounding as its source material. It looks like mystery and psychological thriller fans will get their money's worth with **The Girl on the Train**, in terms of suspense as well as twists and turns throughout. Grab your train ticket, and get ready for a wild ride.



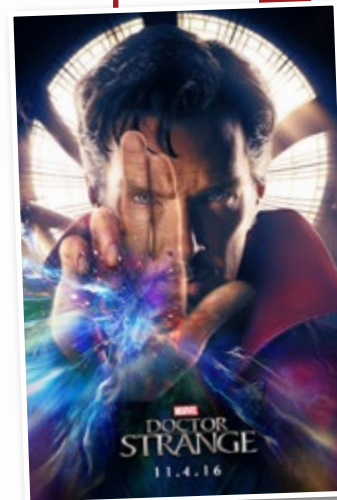
October 21st sees the return of **Jack Reacher** with **Jack Reacher: Never Go Back**. The first **Jack Reacher** film was a fairly straightforward but fun action movie, with Tom Cruise being praised for his charismatic performance. With new characters joining in, including Cobie Smulders in the leading lady role, **Jack Reacher: Never Go Back** aims to continue the trend of mindless entertainment, and take the action and one-liners to the next level.



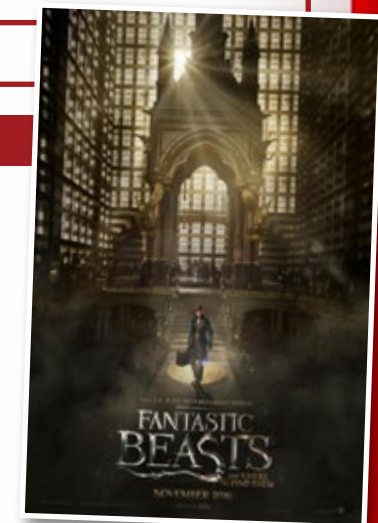
On October 28th, **Inferno** makes its way to theaters. **Inferno** is the third installment of the Robert Langdon series, based on the books by Dan Brown. Tom Hanks returns once again as Professor Robert Langdon who must use clues based on **Dante's Inferno** in order to stop a deadly virus from spreading across the world. The Robert Langdon series is quite a popular series, and the tale of **Dante's Divine Comedy** is always interesting. Two compelling series coming together in one film sounds like a recipe for success, and Tom Hanks looks to be in top acting form once again. With Felicity Jones and Irrfan Khan included in the cast, **Inferno** appears to have the tools to be a powerhouse mystery tale.



On November 4th, we return to the Marvel Cinematic Universe with **Doctor Strange**. This film tells the story of Dr. Stephen Strange, a brilliant surgeon who learns how to use the mystic arts to fight evil after a car accident ruins his career. Marvel's track record of films thus far has been nearly perfect. **Doctor Strange** boasts an all-star cast of Benedict Cumberbatch, Rachel McAdams, Chiwetel Ejiofor, and Tilda Swinton. With mind-bending special effects and action, **Doctor Strange** hopes to continue the successful run of Marvel movies and warp our sense of reality in the theaters.



On November 18th, the magic of J.K. Rowling brings us **Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them**. This is a prequel to the original **Harry Potter** series, and follows Newt Scamander as he tries to round up several magical creatures that have been set loose in New York City. Needless to say, **Harry Potter** is hugely popular, and **Fantastic Beasts** will take us to never-before-seen places in the Wizarding World. With stars such as Eddie Redmayne and Colin Firth leading the charge, expect fans around the world to don their robes, grab their wands, and pack theaters to experience J.K. Rowling's magical world once again.



Overall, the 2016 summer movie season has plenty of variety when it comes to its films. There will be a lot of choices this year and a good amount of competition at the box office to be #1 each weekend. It's shaping up to be an exciting summer so when you're finished being baked in the sun, grab your popcorn and soda and head to an air-conditioned theater for some fun at the movies!