

SPACE BALLS

Guardians is a stellar romp that sometimes alienates half its audience

Guardians of the Galaxy is, for the most part, exactly what you'd want from the Marvel Comics kind of movie in which a ragtag bunch of scoundrels save the world (or, at least, a world). The plot involves a pretty glowing purple rock that looks like something Link needs to collect in *The Legend of Zelda*. One character's hideout is on a space station that is built on the severed head of a massive cosmic creature. It's got scope and shiny effects and the kind of beautiful aerial battle sequences that give a nerd like me pretty intense goose bumps. It co-stars the usually insufferable Bradley Cooper as a talking raccoon who, along with his utterly magical sentient-tree buddy Groot (voiced by Vin Diesel), might nigh-on move you to unexpected tears.

It's also got lady problems.

There's a quiet moment in the final battle wherein Drax the Destroyer (Dave Bautista), a highly literal, rough-spoken sort of fellow, tells his new comrades that he's pleased they're his friends. Groot is the "dumb tree." Peter Quill (Chris Pratt), the everydude

reluctant leader, is just "Quill." Gamora (sci-fi goddess Zoe Saldana), a deadly assassin often required by the plot to be saved or taken hostage, is the "green whore."

We should have seen this coming: In Quill's initial escape sequence, he finds a young woman getting tossed about his ship. He'd forgotten she was there. (You're supposed to laugh.)

Even if you wanted to write off *Guardians* as just another comic book movie and therefore for dudes — you can't, really. Reportedly 44 percent of its opening weekend audience was female. The cultural myth that science fiction and comics are only for boys is long dead. So why does it seem like so much to ask that we not have to swallow a giant helping of casual sexism with our space action?

There's much to like in this movie; it's not brilliant, and the fate of the world is never really in danger, but it's clever and glossy and all the things you'd expect from Marvel's B-team. Adventurous and funny, occasionally beautiful and never too stupid until, that is, it reminds half of its audience that it's not for us at all. ■

BOYHOOD

Over the 12 years of making *Boyhood*, director Richard Linklater filmed his cast for a few days here, a few days there, capturing moments in the childhood of a boy named Mason — played throughout by Ellar Coltrane — and his family. The film flows so neatly from one moment to the next, from childhood bike rides to terrible stepfathers to high school girlfriends to the stumble into adulthood, that it's easy to forget what a risky endeavor the whole thing was. Nearly every scene in *Boyhood* is beautifully true to the moment it depicts, whether that moment involves teenage boys posturing toughness or a dad making his daughter cringe with a talk about condoms. Every year, Linklater and his actors did something beautiful. As a whole, the movie is observational, natural, likable — a ballsy project made life-sized by the mundane. [*Bijou Metro & Bijou Art Cinemas*]

BAD WORDS

In a performance full of subtle charm, Jason Bateman in his directorial debut plays a 40-year-old loser who finds a loophole in the rules and enters the national spelling bee, only to terrorize the other adolescent contestants with a barrage of foul, filthy insults that take your breath away — right before you start laughing hilariously. A refreshingly un-PC dark comedy with a sneaky big heart. [*David Minor Theater*]

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