

Kam's Kapsules: Weekly Previews That Make Choosing a Film Fun



MOVIE REVIEWS

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BIG BUDGET FILMS

Big Miracle (PG for mild epithets) Drew Barrymore and John Krasinski co-star in this romance drama about the resurrected relationship of a reporter and his environmentalist ex-girlfriend in the wake of their joining forces to save a family of gray whales trapped under the ice near the Arctic Circle. Supporting cast includes Ted Danson, Kristen Bell, Dermot Mulroney, Vines-

sa Shaw and Tim Blake Nelson.

Chronicle (PG-13 for profanity, mature themes, sexuality, teen drinking and intense violence) Sci-fi thriller about three well-meaning, high school buddies (Michael B. Jordan, Dane DeHaan and Alex Russell) who find themselves drawn to the dark side after developing such superpowers as invulnerability, mental telepathy and the ability to fly. With Michael Kelly, Ashley Hinshaw and Anna Wood.

The Woman in Black (PG-13 for violence, disturbing images and mature themes) Eerie ghost tale about a London lawyer (Daniel Radcliffe) who travels out of town to settle an estate only to find his recently-deceased client's (Alisa Khazanova) house haunted by a disembodied spirit (Liz White) bent on revenge. With Janet McTeer, Ciaran Hinds and Sophie Stuckey.



Chronicle



From *The Woman in Black*

INDEPENDENT & FOREIGN FILMS

Bad Fever (Unrated) Thought-provoking meditation on the compulsion for companionship revolving around a mean-spirited hussy (Eleonora Hendricks) with a video camera who cruelly exploits an awkward loner (Kentucker Audley) by filming his desperate efforts to win her heart. With Allison Baar, Hayward Buchanan and Scott Parisi.

The Innkeepers (R for profanity and bloody images) Harrowing horror flick about a closing country inn's only two employees' (Sarah Paxton and Pat Healy) ill-advised attempt to prove a persistent rumor that the desolate place is haunted. With Kelly McGillis, Lena Dunham and George Riddle.

Kill List (Unrated) Grisly crime caper about a hit man (Neil Maskell) who unwittingly agrees to perform assassinations for a cult which he has no idea worships him as the anti-Christ. With MyAnna Buring, Harry Simpson and Struan Rodger.

W.E. (Unrated) Madonna wrote and directed this flashback flick revisiting the forbidden romance of divorcee Wallis Simpson (Andrea Riseborough) and King Edward VIII (James D'Arcy) as reflected upon six decades later through the eyes of an American Southerner (Abbie Cornish) stuck in an abusive marriage. With Katie McGrath, Oscar Isaac and Richard Coyle.

Windfall (Unrated) Eco-expose' uncovering the ugly underbelly of the green movement as discovered by the naïve natives of a town in upstate New York scammed by a shady, wind-energy developer.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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If you have an event you want to share with the community, email it two weeks in advance to *The Skanner* at info@theskanner.com

Thursday February 2

MONEY AND SPIRITUALITY WRITER SPEAKS AT THE WASHINGTON HOUSE. Vigil Spiritual Reflections on Your Money and Sanity: Pastoral Financial Therapist Pamela Ayo Yetunde address these timely concerns. 6:30 p.m. For more information

please contact payetundee@gmail.com.

Friday February 3

FIRST FRIDAY NIGHT FREE. The first Friday night of every month is free at KidsQuest Children's Museum. Come explore, play and learn with us. KidsQuest Children's Museum, 4091 Factoria Mall SE. Bellevue.

Saturday February 4

THE SEATTLE PUBLIC LIBRARY HOSTS LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION. Join a Lunar New Year event celebrating the Year of the Dragon from 2 - 4 p.m. at the Central Library, 1000 Fourth Ave. This event is free and open to the public.

Thursday February 9

SWEETIES FOR YOUR SWEETIE. Ages 11-17. This

Valentines show your sweetie how much they mean with handmade candies and sweets. 4 - 6 p.m. Ravenna Eckstein Community Center, 6535 Ravenna Ave. NE For more info call 206-684-7534.

Saturday February 11

NEIGHBOR APPRECIATION DAY. Join the pool staffers as we celebrate our neighborhood and our swimming patrons. Festivities include: refreshments served in the lobby, noon - 2 p.m. and the free public swim from 1 - 2 p.m. Southwest Pool, 2801 SW Thistle St.

SAAY MEI - VALENTINE BOUTIQUE. Sassy Mei is a traveling chic boutique held in spec homes and other upscale business throughout the Northwest. Consists of several talented local artists. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Harbor Place at Cottesmores, Gig Harbor, WA