

Opening This Week — Aug. 24

BIG BUDGET FILMS

The Apparition (PG-13 for terror, frightening images and sensuality) Haunted house horror flick about a young couple (Ashley Greene and Sebastian Stan) who enlist the help of an expert in the supernatural (Tom Felton) to rid their home of a ghost that arrived in the wake of an experiment in parapsychology gone amuck. Cast includes Julianna Guill, Rick Gomez and Anna Clark.

Hit and Run (R for sexuality, violence, drug use, graphic nudity and pervasive profanity) Romantic



KAM'S CAPSULES

Movie Reviews by Kam Williams

road comedy about a getaway driver (Dax Shepard) in the Witness Protection Program who risks blowing his cover to drive his girlfriend (Kristen Bell) cross-country while being chased by both the Feds and the gang he's scheduled to testify against. Featuring Bradley Cooper, Tom



'Samsara'

Arnold, David Koechner and Kristin Chenoweth.

Premium Rush (PG-13 for violence and profanity) Peripatetic action thriller about a Manhattan bike messenger (Joseph Gordon-Levitt) being chased all over New York City after picking up an envelope at Columbia University containing incriminating evidence about a corrupt cop (Michael Shannon). With Dania Ramirez, Jamie Chung and Aasif Mandvi.

INDEPENDENT & FOREIGN FILMS

Death by China (Unrated) Outsourcing expose explaining why America has been in economic decline since the Peoples' Republic joined the World Trade Organization in 2001 at the behest of Congress and multinational corporations.

General Education (PG-13 for sexuality and a drug reference) Teen comedy about a high school senior (Chris Sheffield) who has to hide from his parents (Janeane Garofalo and Larry Miller) that he still has to complete a science

course over the summer in order to graduate and enter college in the fall on a tennis scholarship. With Bobby Campo, Elaine Hendrix and Maiara Walsh.

Hermano (Unrated) Overcoming-the-odds saga about a couple of siblings (Fernando Moreno and Eliu Armas) from the slums of Caracas who make the most of the opportunity of a lifetime when they are offered a tryout with their hometown's pro soccer team. Featuring Beto Benites, Gonzalo Cubero and Marcela Giron. (In Spanish with subtitles)

Knight Knight (Unrated) Medieval comedy about a couple of knights in training (Tom Eykelhof and David Wayman) who embark on a zany adventure in search of cash and comfortable underwear. With Jonathan Hansler, Christina Bucher and Mingus Johnston.

Somewhere Between (Unrated) Roots documentary about the struggle of four teenagers to make sense of their lives after being adopted in China and raised in the U.S. from

infancy.

Little White Lies (Unrated) Ensemble dramedy about a Parisian restaurateur (Francois Cluzet) whose annual summer getaway to Bordeaux with his wife (Valerie Bonneton) and friends turns confessional after one of the guests (Jean Dujardin) is left near death by an auto accident. Cast includes Marion Cotillard, Benoit Magimel and Gilles Lellouche. (In French with subtitles)

Samsara (PG-13 for sexuality and disturbing images) Non-narrative meditation exploring assorted wonders of the world from the mundane to the miraculous while delving into the unfathomable depths of humanity's spirituality.

The Revenant (R for graphic violence, pervasive profanity, drug use, sexuality and graphic nudity) Horror comedy about a recently-deceased Iraq War vet (David Anders) who comes back to life as a bloodthirsty zombie. With Annie Abbott, Senyo Amoaku and Amy Correa. **Teddy Bear** (Unrat-

ed) Asian bride drama about a lonely, 38 year-old body-builder (Kim Kold) desperate for true love who travels from Copenhagen to Thailand to find the girl of his dreams (Lamaiporn Hougaard). With David Winters, Elsebeth Steentoft and Barbara Zatler. (In Danish, Thai and English with subtitles)

The Victim (R for profanity, drug use, graphic sexuality and gruesome violence) Psychological thriller about a woman (Jennifer Blanc) who comes to rely on help from a hermit (Michael Biehn) she meets in the middle of the woods while being chased by the perpetrators (Ryan Honey and Denny Kirkwood) of a murder she's just witnessed. With Danielle Harris, Tanya Newbould and Dana Daurrey.

Wild Horse, Wild Ride (PG for profanity) Equine whisperer documentary chronicling the efforts of entrants in an annual bucking bronco competition to tame wild mustangs in a hundred days or less.



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choose just one.

KW: Dante Lee, author of "Black Business Secrets," asks: What was the best business decision you ever made, and what was the worst?

DR: Oh wow! I couldn't answer what was the worst right now. I'd have to go through my entire life. I'm sure I made a lot of mistakes. [Laughs] But my best business decision was to become an actress.

KW: When you look in the mirror, what do you see?

DR: A strong woman.

KW: If you could have one wish instantly granted, what would that be for?

DR: That I could disap-

pear whenever I wanted to.

KW: The Kerry Washington question: If you were an animal, what animal would you be?

DR: Wow! Maybe a jaguar.

KW: The Ling-Ju Yen question: What is your earliest childhood memory?

DR: Singing carols at Christmas for my family along with all of my cousins.

KW: The Melissa Harris-Perry question: How did your first big heartbreak impact who you are as a person?

DR: The thing about a heartbreak, especially when you have a big heart, is that

you're in a lot of pain and that shapes you. But I think that if you can get over it, you can get over anything.

KW: The Judyth Piazza question: What key quality do you believe all successful people share?

DR: Confidence.

KW: The Nancy Lovell Question: Why do you love doing what you do?

DR: Because I have a gift, and I want to share it with the world in the best possible way I can do it.

KW: Attorney Bernadette Beekman asks: What is your favorite charity?

DR: My father has Parkinson's disease, so I'm hoping to start working with

Michael J. Fox's charity. But I'm not a part of it yet.

KW: The Laz Alonso question: How can your fans help you?

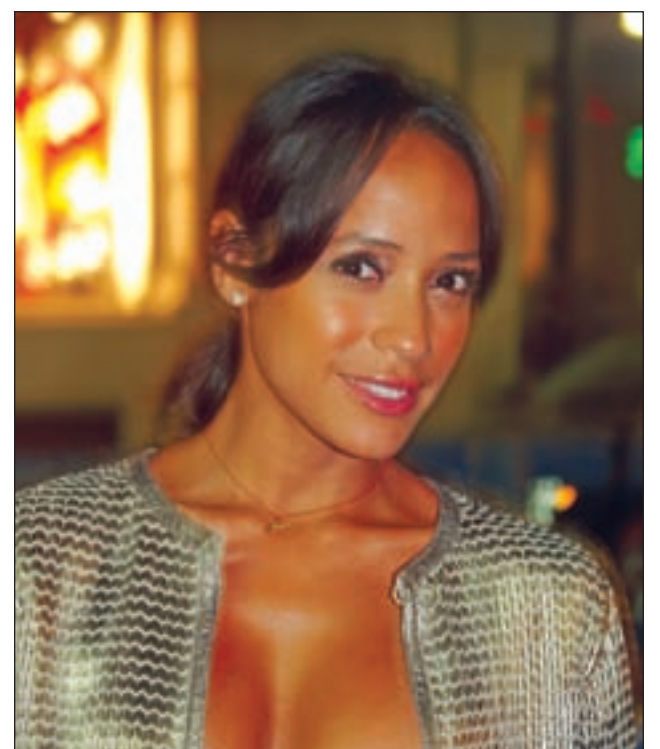
DR: By supporting me.

KW: The Tavis Smiley question: How do you want to be remembered?

DR: As someone who persevered and never gave up, and as someone who was full of love and who loved life.

KW: Thanks again for the interview, Dania, and best of luck with the film.

DR: Thank you so much, Kam. Bye.



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