

Kam’s Kapsules: Movies Opening Friday, July 25

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BIG BUDGET
FILMS

And So It Goes (PG-13 for sexual references and drug use) Romantic comedy revolving around a narcissistic realtor (Michael Douglas) who enlists the help of his carefree next-door neighbor (Diane Keaton) when the 9 year-old granddaughter (Sterling Jerins) he never knew existed is suddenly dropped at his doorstep. With Frankie Valli, Yaya DaCosta, Annie

Parisse and Austin Lysy.

Hercules (PG-13 for sensuality, pervasive violence, partial nudity and brief profanity) Dwayne “The Rock” Johnson follows in the footsteps of Ferrigno, Schwarzenegger and Reeves as the latest incarnation of the Greek legend. This episode, set in 1400 B.C., finds the muscle-bound demigod and five faithful companions hired by the King of Thrace (John Hurt) and his daughter (Irina Shayk) to subdue a tyrannical warlord. With Rebecca Ferguson, Ian McShane and Joseph

Fiennes.

Lucy (R for sexuality, disturbing images and graphic violence) Scarlett Johansson stars in the title role of this sci-fi adventure, set in Taipei, as an unwilling drug mule who morphs into a merciless, revenge-minded warrior after inadvertently developing superhuman powers. Cast includes Morgan Freeman, Analeigh Tipton and Min-sik Choi.

Magic in the Moonlight (PG-13 for smoking and a suggestive comment) Woody Allen wrote and directed this comedy, set on the French Riviera in the Roaring Twenties, revolving around a British illusionist (Colin Firth) hired to expose a conniving clairvoyant (Emma Stone) staying at the estate of a wealthy family. Ensemble cast includes Hamish Linklater, Marcia Gay Harden, Jacki Weaver and Eileen Atkins.

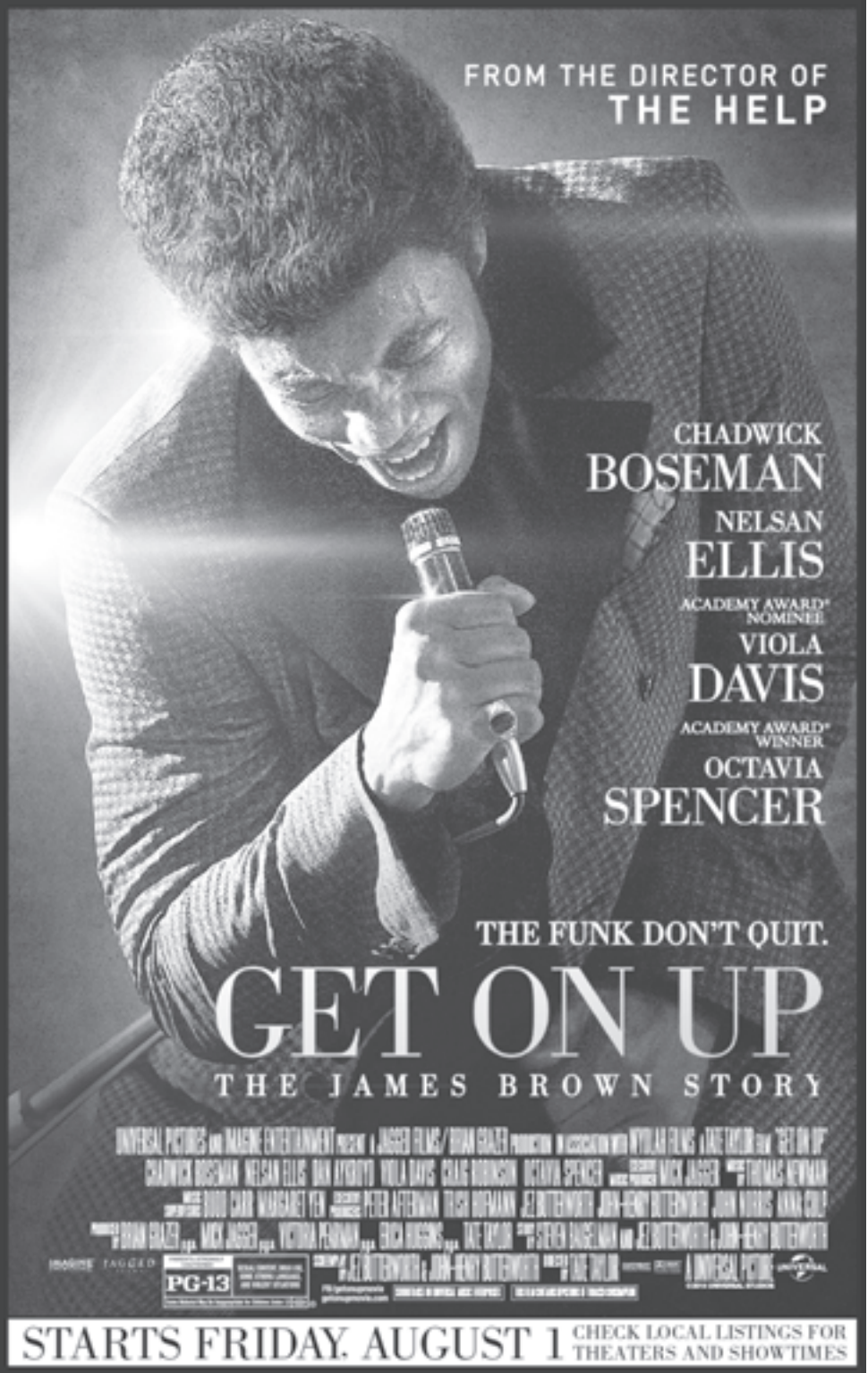
**INDEPENDENT
& FOREIGN FILMS**
Cannibal (Unrated) Romantic thriller about a



Hercules



My Man is a Loser



serial killer (Antonio de la Torre) who feels no remorse about devouring his victims until he falls in love with the sister (Olimpia Melinte) of his last meal. With Maria Alfonsa Rosso, Florin Filidan and Manolo Solo. (In Romanian and Spanish with subtitles)

The Fluffy Movie (PG-13 for suggestive material and sexual references) Concert flick, shot onstage in San Jose earlier this year, featuring the standup act of Chicano comedian Gabriel “Fluffy” Iglesias.

Happy Christmas (R for profanity, drug use and sexuality) Mumblecore maven Joe Swanberg wrote, directed and co-stars in this Windy City dramedy about a slacker (Anna Kendrick) who moves in with her filmmaker big brother (Swanberg), his novelist wife (Melanie Lynskey) and their 2 year-old son. With Lena Dunham and Mark Webber.

The Kill Team (Unrated)

Whistleblower documentary examining the fallout visited upon U.S. Army Private Adam Winfield after he snitched on fellow soldiers who were slaying innocent Afghan civilians and saving some of their body parts as trophies.

A Master Builder (Unrated) Oscar-winner Jonathan Demme (for Silence of the Lambs) directed this screen version of the Henrik Ibsen play about an architect (Wallace Shawn) with a very jealous wife (Julie Hagerty) who finds himself seduced by a flirtatious houseguest (Lisa Joyce) he’d propositioned a decade earlier when she was only 14. Supporting cast includes Larry Pine, Andre Gregory and Jeff Biehl.

A Most Wanted Man (R for profanity) Screen adaptation of the John le Carre’ espionage thriller of the same name, set in Hamburg, Germany, about a Chechen Muslim (Grigoriy Dobrygin) seeking political asylum who might actually

be a radical Islamist in sheep’s clothing. Featuring Rachel McAdams, Willem Dafoe, Robin Wright, Nina Hoss and Philip Seymour Hoffman.

My Man Is a Loser (R for sexuality, graphic nudity and pervasive profanity) Makeover comedy about two married guys (Michael Rapaport and Bryan Callen) who come to regret asking a bachelor buddy (John Stamos) for advice about how to spice up their love lives. With Sean Young, Tika Sumpter and Diane Guerrero.

Very Good Girls (R for profanity and sexuality) Bawdy bildungsroman, set in NYC, about BFFs (Dakota Fanning and Elizabeth Olsen) who enter a pact to lose their virginity before heading off to college, only to fall for the same, hunky street artist (Boyd Holbrook). Cast includes Demi Moore, Richard Dreyfuss, Ellen Barkin and Peter Sarsgaard.

ENTERTAINMENT NEWS BRIEFS

Register Now for Portland Youth Theater Summer Workshops

In anticipation of their upcoming production of “Smoldering Fires,” March 13-April 12, 2015, PassinArt: A Theatre Company and Portland playwright, director and actor Shalanda Sims offer a series of interactive youth theatrical workshops for ages 10 - 15 from 5:30 -7:30 p.m., Aug. 4-6, and 11-13 2014 at the Ethos/IFCC 5340 N Interstate Ave.
For more information or to reserve a spot email passinart@yahoo.com. Space is limited so reserve your spot now.

Auditions for St. Helens, Oregon ‘Haunted Tours’

The ShoeString Community Players will be holding auditions for the St. Helens Haunted Tours, Aug. 6-7 at 7 p.m. and Aug. 9 at 5 p.m. The auditions are at Bertucci’s, 2017 Columbia Blvd. in St. Helens.
SSCP is looking for actors and actresses ages 16 to 99 for both speaking and non-speaking roles. Rehearsals will be held in the evenings and occasionally on weekends, beginning in late August and running through early October. The exact schedule will be posted after all roles have been cast mid August.
Haunted Tours performances will be held Oct. 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, and Nov. 1 from 7 to 10pm.
SSCP is also looking for people to help out behind the scenes with make-up, costumes, concessions, house management, publicity, lighting, special effects, sound effects, handlers and security and crowd control.
For more information on the Haunted House Tours, visit www.sscpmusicals.com or email brian@sthelenshauntedtours.com.