

Arts & Entertainment

Kam’s Kapsules: Movies Opening Friday, January 12

BIG BUDGET FILMS

The Commuter (PG-13 for profanity and intense violence) Liam Neeson stars in this suspense thriller as an insurance salesman who finds himself caught up in a criminal conspiracy on his way home from work after being offered \$100,000 by a mysterious stranger to uncover the identity of a passenger hiding on the train. With Vera Farmiga, Sam Neill, Elizabeth McGovern, Patrick Wilson and Jonathan Banks.

Condorito: La Pelicula (Unrated) Animated adaptation of the popular, Chilean comic strip



'Saturday Church'

revolving around the attempt of an anthropomorphic condor (Omar Chaparro) and his pals to save the planet from an evil alien, one plop at a time. Voice cast includes Jessica Cediell, Cristian de la Fuente and Jey Mammon. (In English and Spanish with subtitles)

Paddington 2 (PG for action and mildly rude humor) Kid-oriented sequel finds the anthropomorphic bear (Ben Whishaw) living with the Brown family until he's wrongfully arrested for stealing a valuable old book from an antiques shop. Ensemble cast includes Sally Hawkins, Hugh Grant, Imelda



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Staunton, Hugh Bonneville, Julie Walters and Michael Gambon.

Proud Mary (Unrated) Taraji P. Henson plays the title character in this tale of redemption, set in Boston, as a mob assassin who rethinks her line of work after accidentally orphaning a little boy (Jahi Di'Allo Winston) while performing a hit. With Danny Glover, Mar-

Gould) only to be pressured to put on a production starring residents of the Jersey retirement community. Featuring Annie Potts, Bebe Neuwirth, Ingrid Michaelson and Willie Carpenter.

Ku Qian (Unrated) The impact of modernization on Eastern China is examined in this documentary chronicling a day in the life of a migrant worker in the garment industry. (In Mandarin with subtitles)

Lover for a Day (Unrated) Third wheel drama, set in Paris, about a just-dumped, 23 year-old (Esther Garrel) who shows up at her father's (Eric Caravaca) looking for a place to crash, only to learn that he's already sharing the tiny apartment with a new girlfriend (Louise Chevillotte) half his age. Support cast includes Paul Toucan, Felix Kysyl and Michel Charrel. (In French with subtitles)

My Art (Unrated) Laurie Simmons wrote, directed and stars in this character-driven drama about a 65-year-old teacher craving recognition as an artist. With Lena Dunham, Parker Posey, Robert Clohessy and Grace Dunham.

The Room (R for sexuality, profanity and brief violence) Re-release of the 2003 flop which inspired "The Disaster Artist." The abysmal production revolves around a love triangle which arises when a successful banker's (Tommy Wiseau) best friend (Greg Sestero) starts sleeping with his girlfriend (Juliette Danielle). Featuring Philip Haldman, Carolyn Minnott and Robyn Paris. .

Saturday Church (Unrated) Poignant character study chronicling an



'Proud Mary'

effeminate, 14-year-old boy's (Luka Kain) struggle with his sexual identity until finding support at an LGBTQ support group in the transgender community. With Margot Bingham, Regina Tay-

lor and Evander Duck, Jr. **Vazante** (Unrated) 19th Century saga, set in Brazil's Diamantina Mountains, about a slave-trading plantation owner (Adriano Carvalho) who decides to marry his 12

year-old niece (Luana Nastas), after his wife dies during childbirth. Supporting cast includes Sandra Corveloni, Roberto Audio and Jai Baptista. (In Portuguese with subtitles)

Black Panther Movie Causing Excitement Around Country

Chadwick Boseman to star as the eponymous superhero

By **JESSE J. HOLLAND**
Associated Press

There's a Black Panther party going on all around the country. Superhero fans, movie fans and especially connoisseurs of Black culture — American and African — are eagerly awaiting the debut of Marvel's "Black Panther" movie starring comic books' first Black superhero with an enthusiasm not often seen in American cinema. "Black Panther" viewing parties are being scheduled around the country for its February release, smack dab in the middle of Black History Month. Clothing lines are being designed around the bright colors and Afro-futurism styles of Wakanda. And Grammy-winning rapper Kendrick Lamar was just named to produce the soundtrack.

And people are already calling the

still-unseen movie one of the most important of 2018, despite the fact that the character that has only appeared once on the silver screen and until now, has not occupied the same pantheon as stalwarts like Superman, Batman and Spiderman.

But for some fans, none of that matters.

"As the father of two little Black boys I'm super excited to have a superhero that looks like them on screen," said Glen Greezy of New York City, who plans to hit Times Square and see the movie on opening weekend along with more than 900 of his friends on Facebook.

"Other superheroes are great and I see their movies too, but something about having a Black man as the main character in a superhero movie is extra appealing."

"Black Panther," starring Chadwick

See **BLACK PANTHER** on page 9

SHOWTIMES

The Week of
Friday, Jan. 12 through
Thursday, Jan. 18

JUSTICE LEAGUE (PG-13) Fri-Thur: 4:10, 9:45	BLADE RUNNER 2049 (R) Fri-Thur: 11:20, 9:05
WONDER (PG) Fri-Thur: 11:40, 4:55	THE FLORIDA PROJECT (R) Fri-Thur: 2:35, 7:20
MURDER ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS (PG-13) Fri-Thur: 1:45, 6:40	CORALINE (PG) Fri-Thur: 11:30, 4:45, 9:35
THOR: RAGNAROK (PG-13) Fri-Thur: 2:05, 6:55	<i>\$4.00 adults, \$3.00 senior citizens (65+), \$3.00 for kids (12 & under)</i>

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Babysitting: Children 2 to 8 years old. Fri: shows starting between 3:30 pm and 8 pm. Sat - Sun: shows starting between 1 pm and 8 pm. \$9.50 per child for the length of the movie. Call to reserve a spot, no drop ins.

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