



Top Films of 2024: Hollywood Reporter Critics' Choices

Description

Movies faced challenges in 2024 as they continued their recovery from the pandemic. The pipeline was affected by strikes in the previous year, resulting in a lackluster summer release schedule. However, the year saw a resurgence in studio animation with hits like *Inside Out 2* and *Despicable Me 4*. Critics also praised films like *Flow* and *The Wild Robot* for their innovative storytelling.

While sequels dominated the box office, original films like *Conclave* and *Sing Sing* stood out with exceptional performances from talented casts. First-time directors like RaMell Ross and Annie Baker also made waves with their debut films. Overall, the year showcased a mix of established franchises and emerging talent.

Top Films of 2024:

1. **All We Imagine as Light** by Payal Kapadia - A moving narrative set in Mumbai.
2. **Queer** by Luca Guadagnino - A haunting adaptation of a classic novel.
3. **The Brutalist** by Brady Corbet - A sweeping drama about an architect's rise and fall.
4. **La Chimera** by Alice Rohrwacher - A whimsical tale of grave-robbers in Italy.
5. **Hard Truths** by Mike Leigh - An intimate exploration of family dynamics.

These films, along with several honorable mentions, made 2024 a year of diverse and compelling cinema. Critics and audiences alike enjoyed a mix of genres and styles, showcasing the range of storytelling in the industry.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Resurgence** /rɪ'sɜːrdʒəns/ (noun): An increase or revival after a period of little activity or popularity.
2. **Innovation** /ˌɪn.ə'veɪ.ʃən/ (noun): The introduction of new ideas methods or products.
3. **Outstanding** /aʊt'stændɪŋ/ (adjective): Exceptionally good or impressive.
4. **Diverse** /daɪ'vɜːs/ (adjective): Showing a great deal of variety; very different.
5. **Compelling** /kəm'pɛlɪŋ/ (adjective): Evoking interest attention or admiration in a powerful way.
6. **Dynamics** /daɪ'næmɪks/ (noun): The forces or properties that stimulate growth development or change within a system or process.

Comprehension Questions



Multiple Choice

1. What challenges did movies face in 2024?
 - Option: Lackluster summer release schedule
 - Option: Success in box office
 - Option: Innovation in storytelling
 - Option: High demand for sequels

2. Which films were praised for their innovative storytelling in 2024?
 - Option: Inside Out 2
 - Option: Despicable Me 4
 - Option: Flow
 - Option: The Wild Robot

3. Which type of films stood out with exceptional performances in 2024?
 - Option: Sequels
 - Option: Original films
 - Option: Action films
 - Option: Comedy films

4. Who made waves with their debut films in 2024?
 - Option: RaMell Ross
 - Option: Annie Baker
 - Option: Mike Leigh
 - Option: Payal Kapadia

5. What made 2024 a year of diverse cinema?
 - Option: Sequels dominating the box office
 - Option: Successful summer releases
 - Option: Mix of established franchises and emerging talent
 - Option: Lack of new filmmakers

6. Which film showcased an intimate exploration of family dynamics in 2024?
 - Option: All We Imagine as Light
 - Option: Queer
 - Option: The Brutalist
 - Option: Hard Truths



True-False

- 7. Movies in 2024 had a smooth recovery from the pandemic.
- 8. Inside Out 2 was a flop in 2024.
- 9. Critics praised The Wild Robot for its innovative storytelling.
- 10. Sing Sing was an original film in 2024.
- 11. All We Imagine as Light was set in New York.
- 12. La Chimera was a serious drama film in 2024.

Gap-Fill

- 13. The year 2024 saw a resurgence in _____ animation.
- 14. The film Conclave in 2024 received exceptional performances from talented _____.
- 15. First-time directors RaMell Ross and Annie Baker made waves with their debut _____.
- 16. Critics and audiences enjoyed a mix of genres and styles, showcasing the range of storytelling in the _____.
- 17. The film Queer was directed by _____ Guadagnino in 2024.
- 18. The film The Brutalist was about an architect's rise and _____.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Lackluster summer release schedule 2. Flow 3. Original films 4. RaMell Ross 5. Mix of established franchises and emerging talent 6. Hard Truths

True-False: 7. False 8. False 9. True 10. True 11. False 12. False

Gap-Fill: 13. studio 14. casts 15. films 16. industry 17. Luca 18. fall



Answer

CATEGORY

1. Entertainment - LEVEL3

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