



Will Tom Cruise's 'Mission Impossible' Dazzle Cannes and Venice?

Description

EXCLUSIVE: As one of Europe's premier film festivals reaches its midpoint, attention is already shifting toward the upcoming Cannes and Venice festivals, with Cannes approaching quickly.

There's no lack of highly anticipated films in contention. According to a prominent producer we spoke to, "2025 looks particularly tough, even stronger than 2024." Interestingly, our research revealed that several major films are opting for a fall release instead of debuting on the Croisette. This doesn't diminish Cannes' significance; it remains the gold standard. Both Cannes and Venice serve as crucial launchpads for cinematic successes, as evidenced by this year's Best Picture nominees, many of which debuted at these festivals, including Cannes' *Anora* and *Emilia Perez*, and Venice's *The Brutalist* dominating awards discussions.

Before the Cannes festivities kick off, speculation abounds regarding which blockbusters might grace the Riviera, adding a touch of star power to the festival's proceedings. Currently, Tom Cruise's *Mission: Impossible – The Final Reckoning* appears to be a strong contender for a Cannes premiere, though no decision has been finalized. With its May 21 launch coinciding with the festival's second week, the possibility remains open.

While certain blockbusters like Apple's Brad Pitt F1 movie and Warner Bros' *Superman* won't be at Cannes, art-house films like Jim Jarmusch's *Father, Mother, Sister, Brother* and Wes Anderson's *The Phoenixian Scheme* are expected to feature prominently. Anticipation surrounds newcomers like Mascha Schilinski's *The Doctor Says I'll Be Alright, But I'm Feelin' Blue*, which may even compete for awards.

With the official lineup set to be announced in mid-April, all eyes are on Cannes, where Juliette Binoche has been appointed as the Competition jury president.

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Vocabulary List:

1. **Anticipated** /æn'tɪs.ɪ.peɪ.tɪd/ (adjective): Expected or looked forward to often with excitement.
2. **Significance** /sɪg'nɪf.ɪ.kəns/ (noun): The importance or meaning of something.
3. **Speculation** /ˌspek.jə'leɪ.jən/ (noun): The forming of a theory or conjecture without firm evidence.
4. **Launchpad** /'lɔːn(t)ʃpæd/ (noun): A place or situation from which something can be launched or developed.
5. **Contender** /kən'tendər/ (noun): A person or entity competing for a prize or position.
6. **Dominating** /'dɒ.mi.neɪ.tɪŋ/ (verb): Having control or influence over something or someone.



Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. Which term refers to forming a theory or conjecture without firm evidence?
Option: A. Relinquished
Option: B. Speculation
Option: C. Acquittal
Option: D. Compensation
2. What is the term for directed towards a particular goal or objective?
Option: A. Intertwining
Option: B. Dominating
Option: C. Aimed
Option: D. Resonated
3. Which term means an excessive amount or abundance?
Option: A. Ousted
Option: B. Plethora
Option: C. Intriguing
Option: D. Allegations
4. What word describes the state of being exposed to the possibility of being attacked or harmed either physically or emotionally?
Option: A. Vulnerability
Option: B. Resonating
Option: C. Robust
Option: D. Compensation
5. What term describes something that is evoking interest attention or admiration in a powerfully irresistible way?
Option: A. Intriguing
Option: B. Compelling
Option: C. Speculation
Option: D. Launchpad
6. What is the term for expected or predicted?



- Option: A. Vulnerability
- Option: B. Compensation
- Option: C. Anticipated
- Option: D. Allegations

7. Which term refers to the importance or meaning of something?

- Option: A. Resonating
- Option: B. Ousted
- Option: C. Significance
- Option: D. Resonated

8. What word describes a person or thing likely to win something?

- Option: A. Deliberation
- Option: B. Contender
- Option: C. Compensation
- Option: D. Speculation

9. Which term refers to a place or situation that acts as a base for a particular activity?

- Option: A. Robust
- Option: B. Launchpad
- Option: C. Intriguing
- Option: D. Acquittal

10. What word refers to the institution and conducting of legal proceedings against someone in respect of a criminal charge?

- Option: A. Unique
- Option: B. Compensation
- Option: C. Prosecution
- Option: D. Speculation

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

- 11. The manager _____ his position after the team's poor performance.
- 12. The champion boxer was _____ in the ring showing his superior skills.
- 13. The speech by the activist _____ with the audience sparking a movement.
- 14. The detective found an _____ clue that led to solving the mystery.
- 15. The company faced serious _____ of corruption and fraud.



16. The employee received fair _____ for the overtime hours worked.
17. The fans _____ the release of the new album by their favorite band.
18. The two companies decided to _____ on a project for mutual benefit.
19. The organization _____ to promote sustainable practices in agriculture.
20. After much _____ the committee came to a decision on the proposal.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The new software system proved to be highly resilient and strong able to handle large volumes of data efficiently.
22. Her artistic style was one-of-a-kind setting her apart from other painters of her time.
23. The marketing campaign was targeted towards young adults interested in fashion and technology.
24. The research teams from different universities decided to work together on a groundbreaking scientific study.
25. The two nations signed a peace to end the long-standing conflict.
26. She felt free and unburdened as if all her worries had suddenly disappeared.
27. The audience was thoroughly amazed and had great admiration for the performer's talent.
28. The controversial CEO was forcibly removed from his position following a public scandal.
29. Her words had a lasting impact still echoing in the minds of those who heard them.
30. The market was flooded with a wide of new smartphone models.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. B. Speculation 2. C. Aimed 3. B. Plethora 4. A. Vulnerability 5. B. Compelling 6. C. Anticipated 7. C. Significance 8. B. Contender 9. B. Launchpad 10. C. Prosecution

Gap-Fill: 11. relinquished 12. dominating 13. resonated 14. intriguing 15. allegations 16. compensation 17. anticipated 18. collaborate 19. aims 20. deliberation

Matching sentence: 1. robust 2. unique 3. aimed 4. collaborate 5. accord 6. unencumbered 7. impressed 8. ousted



9. resonating 10. plethora

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