

FILM SHORTS

Reviewers: Bob Grimm, Juan-Carlos Selznick and Neesa Sonoquie.

Opening this week

Ad Astra

James Gray (*Little Odessa*, *The Lost City of Z*) co-wrote and directed this space adventure about an astronaut (Brad Pitt) who travels to the edge of the solar system to find out what happened to his father (Tommy Lee Jones), whose own mission 30 years earlier had serious consequences for the universe. Cinemark 14, Feather River Cinemas. Rated PG-13.

Anthropocene: The Human Epoch

This 2018 documentary is a dramatically shot film about the impact of humans on planet Earth. Part of a nationwide screening to coincide with the U.N. Climate Action Summit. Shows Wednesday (Sept. 25), 7 p.m. Pageant Theatre. Not rated.

Downton Abbey

The popular British television show comes to the big screen, with the familiar cast of characters being visited at their English country house by the king and queen. Cinemark 14, Feather River Cinemas. Rated PG.

Rambo: Last Blood

Sylvester Stallone returns as traumatized Vietnam vet John Rambo, who has to conjure up his superior fighting skills when he ventures into Mexican drug cartel territory on "one final mission." Cinemark 14, Feather River Cinemas. Rated R.

Remember My Name

A candid documentary on the tumultuous life of 1960s musical icon David Crosby, from his days in Crosby, Stills and Nash to his recent musical renaissance. Pageant Theatre. Rated PG.

Now playing

Angel Has Fallen

Gerard Butler and Morgan Freeman return for this third *Fallen* film (following *Olympus Has Fallen* and *London Has Fallen*), with the former as a Secret Service agent now on the run after being framed for an assassination attempt on the latter (now playing the U.S. president). Cinemark 14. Rated R.

Brittany Runs a Marathon

A dramedy starring Jillian Bell as a woman who sets out to lose weight and train for running the New York City Marathon. Cinemark 14. Rated R.

Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw

Hobbs & Shaw is actually a spinoff from the series. In other words, rejoice! The leaden, dreary Vin Diesel is nowhere to be seen in this movie. Now we can have some real fun! *Hobbs & Shaw* is a bizarre hybrid of spy thriller, action flick, screwball comedy and science fiction. Here, *Furious* franchise regulars Hobbs (Dwayne Johnson) and Shaw

(Jason Statham) are tasked with protecting the latter's sister, Hattie (Vanessa Kirby), after she injects herself with something that will have worldwide consequences if she's captured. The main antagonist is Brixton (Idris Elba), a former Shaw ally who has turned into some sort of bionic badass dubbed, by himself, "Black Superman." Stuntman-turned-director David Leitch, who gave us the first *John Wick* and *Deadpool 2*, knows his way around an action scene, and his edits create constant action and laughs—thanks in large part to Johnson and Statham's great timing and onscreen chemistry. And while it's expected that the tough-guy leads will kick ass in movies such as this, it's Kirby who steals the show as the action hero of this installment. She is a total badass. Cinemark 14. Rated PG-13 —B.G.

Good Boys

Three sixth-grade boys embark on an epic, R-rated coming-of-age odyssey. Cinemark 14. Rated R.

The Goldfinch

Film adaptation of Donna Tartt's Pulitzer Prize-winning 2013 novel, a coming-of-age story about a man who's taken in by a wealthy family as a young boy after his mother was killed in a bombing at a museum. Starring Nicole Kidman, Luke Wilson and Jeffrey Wright. Cinemark 14, Feather River Cinemas. Rated R.

Hustlers

Constance Wu, Jennifer Lopez, Julia Stiles and Cardi B star as a crew of strippers who hustle money from Wall Street clients who frequent the club. Inspired by a true-life 2015 story that appeared in *New York* magazine. Cinemark 14, Feather River Cinemas. Rated R.



It Chapter Two

See review this issue. Cinemark 14, Feather River Cinemas. Rated R —B.G.

The Lion King

Jon Favreau (*Elf*, *Iron Man*) directs this photorealistic CGI remake of the 1994 Disney animated classic that features an impressive cast of voice actors, including Chiwetel Ejiofor, Donald Glover, Beyoncé, Seth Rogen, John Oliver and, naturally, James Earl Jones as Mufasa. Cinemark 14, Feather River Cinemas. Rated PG.

The Peanut Butter Falcon

The story of teen boy with Down syndrome (Zack Gottsagen) who runs away and sets off on a journey to a wrestling camp to realize his dream of becoming a pro wrestler. Also starring Shia LaBeouf, Dakota Johnson and Bruce Dern. Cinemark 14, Feather River Cinemas. Rated PG-13.

Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark

Alvin Schwartz's 1980s series of children's scary short stories gets the cinematic horror treatment. Cinemark 14. Rated PG



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