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New Years Greetings from Whitney!

I thought that I would kick off the New Year with a look at a few sci-fi / thriller / fantasy movies. Oh, and one television show!

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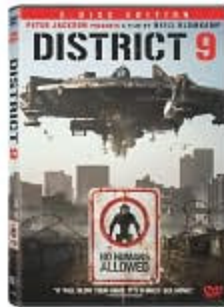


Drag Me to Hell

A loan officer ordered to evict an old woman from her home finds herself the recipient of a supernatural curse, which turns her life into a living hell. Desperate, she turns to a seer to try and save her soul, while evil forces work to push her to a breaking point.

LOVED IT! Director Sam Raimi returns to his horror roots in this campy, scary, entertaining movie!

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District 9

An extraterrestrial race forced to live in slum-like conditions on Earth suddenly finds a kindred spirit in a government agent who is exposed to their biotechnology.

WOW! If you like alien movies but are tired of the same old story, then see this movie because it sends the human/alien relationship into a whole new direction. By far, my favorite.

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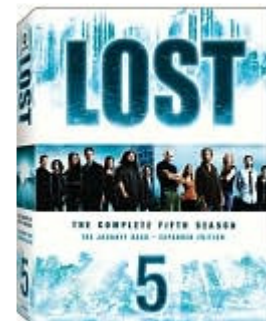


Terminator: Salvation

After Skynet has destroyed much of humanity in a nuclear holocaust, a group of survivors led by John Connor struggles to keep the machines from finishing the job

A decent continuation of the Terminator Saga. Christian Bale is the fourth actor to play John Connor (the second to play him as an adult) and does the best job. He did not get enough praise for this role.

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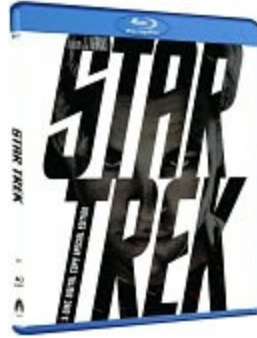


Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince

As Harry Potter begins his 6th year at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, he discovers an old book marked mysteriously "This book is the property of the Half-Blood Prince" and begins to learn more about Lord Voldemort's dark past.

Harry Potter is not just for kids anymore. This movie really marks the change from kid Harry Potter to an adult Harry Potter. The sixth book is my favorite in the series and this movie did not disappoint. It is funny, dark and deliciously angst-ridden!

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Star Trek

A chronicle of the early days of James T. Kirk and his fellow USS Enterprise crew members.

AWESOME! Director JJ Abrams outdid himself with the reinvention of a classic sci-fi show.

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LOST: Season 5

The survivors of a plane crash are forced to live with each other on a remote island, a dangerous new world that poses unique threats of its own.

Keep them coming, JJ Abrams! The twists and turns of season 5 left me on the edge of my chair just about every episode. If you have not watched LOST, then do so. But definitely start at the beginning.

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