MOVIE GUIDE

CHE: PART 2

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From 20 February



The big picture: The second chapter of Steven Soderbergh's epic story of 'Che' Guevara, splendidly played by Benicio del Toro, who previously starred in Soderbergh's Traffic. After the Cuban Revolution, Che is at the height of his fame and power. Then he disappears, re-emerging incognito in Bolivia, where he organises a small group of Cuban comrades and Bolivian recruits to start the great Latin American Revolution. It's a pulsating tale of tenacity, idealism, guerilla warfare and sacrifice—a glimpse of the man behind the icon.



PUSH

www.iconmovies.co.uk/push

From 20 February

The big picture: Adrenaline-pumping sci-fi thriller from Scottish director, Paul McGuigan. Nick (Chris Evans) and Cassie (Dakota Fanning) are among a group of special individuals who have inherited psychic abilities that originated from human experiments conducted by the Nazis during World War II. They find themselves on the run from Carver (Djimon Hounsou) and his forces, who work for a secret government agency determined to hunt them down to harness their telekinetic powers for evil.



ANVIL! THE STORY OF ANVIL

www.anvilthemovie.co.uk

From 20 February



The big picture: At 14, two school friends made a pact to rock together forever — and they meant it. Yes, really. Robb and Steve formed a band, Anvil, which became the 'demigods of Canadian metal', releasing 1982's Metal on Metal that sold millions of records. But Anvil's career then nosedived into obscurity. Now, 26 years on, documentary director Sacha Gervasi, who worked as a roadie for the band, provides a funny yet heart-rending



CADILLAC RECORDS

www.sonypictures.co.uk/movies/cadillacrecords

From 20 February



The big picture: Compelling tale of sex, violence, race and rock n roll in 1950's Chicago. Cadillac Records charts the exciting but turbulent lives of some of America's musical legends, including Muddy Waters, Little Water and Howlin' Wolf, Etta James and Chuck Berry. Written and directed by Darnell Martin, the film stars Adrien Brody (below), Beyonce Knowles and Mos Def



CONFESSIONS OF A SHOPAHOLIC

www.thefilmfactory.co.uk

From 20 February

The big picture: Credit where it's due! In glamorous New York, Rebecca (Isla Fisher) is a fun-loving girl who's really good at shopping – a bit too good, perhaps, and her debts pile up. She dreams of working for her favourite fashion magazine but can't get her foot in the door – until, ironically, she gets a job as an advice columnist on a financial magazine published by the same company. As her dreams finally come true, Rebecca has to go to ever more extreme lengths to stop her past from spoiling her future. If you loved Muriel's Wedding and My Best Friend's Wedding, don't miss this latest romcom from PJ Hogan, who directed both of them.



THE CLASS

www.theclassmovie.co.uk

From 27 February



The big picture: At a racially mixed high school in a tough neighbourhood of the Paris suburbs, Francois (Francois Begaudeau) and his fellow teachers prepare for a new term. Francois insists on respect for and from his students, and his frankness often surprises them. His approach is severely tested when they start challenging his methods, and the spectacular clash of cultures and attitudes makes his classroom a microcosm of modern France. This film won the Palme d'Or award at Cannes in 2008.



THE UNBORN

www.theunbornmovie.co.uk

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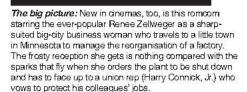
The big picture: Veteran of the Blade series, writer-director David S Goyer concocts a fresh take on the life of the undead in this supernatural thriller. Casey (Odette Yustman) is dragged into a world of tortured nightmares when a demonic spirit haunts her and threatens the people she loves. To rid herself of the evil, she turns to the one man she believes can make it stop — Rabbi Sendak, played with relish by Gary Oldman.



NEW IN TOWN

www.newintownmovie.com

From 27 February





THE INTERNATIONAL

www.theinternational-movie.co.uk

From 27 February



The big picture: Edge-of-your-seat thriller that could have been ripped from tonight's headlines. Interpol agent Salinger (Clive Owen) and New York Assistant DA Whitman (Naomi Watts) are investigating corruption and extortion apparently financed by one of the world's most powerful banks. As they follow the money transactions around the world, the cold realisation dawns that their targets will stop at nothing — even murder — to protect their interests. Armin Mueller-Stabl co-stars.



AMERICAN TEEN

www.optimumreleasing.com

From 6 March

The big picture: Truly fascinating documentary-drama written, produced and directed by award-winning filmmaker Nanette Burstein. Set in a small town in Indiana, the film follows a group of high school seniors and their daily struggles, insecurities, friendships, relationships and fights, not to mention exams. Despite what we're all told, will these turn out to be the best days of their lives?



FLAME AND CITRON

www.metrodomegroup.com

From 6 March



The big picture: Copenhagen, 1944. While the local people hope for a swift end to the War, two men codenamed Flame and Citron secretly risk their lives fighting for the resistance. When a hidden agenda emerges, they find themselves out on their own but focus all their efforts on getting to the much feared and hated Chief of the Gestapo. Based on actual eyewitness accounts, the movie stars Mads Mikkelsen, who played James Bond's nemesis, Le Chiffre, in Casino Royale.



PAUL BLART: MALL COP

www.mallcop-movie.co.uk

From 13 March



The big picture: Seasoned stand-up comedian, Kevin James, plays the title character, a mild-mannered single dad struggling to make ends meet as a security guard at a New Jersey shopping mall. Though no one else treats his job seriously, Paul believes he offers reassurance and safety to the visitors. Out of the blue, when an organised break-in causes havoc, the mall cop must become a real cop if he's to save the day.



THE YOUNG VICTORIA www.theyoungvictoria.co.uk

From 6 March



The big picture: Producer Martin Scorsese and the makers of Gosford Park present Queen Victoria's early rise to power, a story loaded with drama, romance and intrigue. Emily Blunt (above) embodies the young Queen, opposite Rupert Friend as the object of her affections, Prince Albert. This is a class act – their terrific fellow cast members include Jim Broadbent, Paul Bettany, Miranda Richardson and Mark Strong.

WATCHMEN www.watchmen.co.uk

From 6 March





The big picture: Eagerly awaited fantasy adventure directed by Zack (300) Snyder, based on the celebrated DC Comics graphic novel. In an alternate society, a mixed group of masked crime-fighters unites to unravel a murderous conspiracy and watch over humanity — but as they do so, who is watching them? The year's hottest young cast includes Malin Ackerman, Matthew Goode, Billy Crudup and Carla Gugino.

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