Subject: Ping: Mike and Adrian
Posted by Wayne Parham on Mon, 24 May 2004 12:55:08 GMT
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What are some cool movies from down under? This post should really go in the MoviesAndMusic forum, but I wasn't sure if you guys checked there or not.Every now and then, I get on a movie kick for a few days and watch something new every night just before going to sleep. You'll usually see me make a few posts in the MoviesAndMusic forum when I do. Happens 'bout every two weeks or so.I'd love to know what cool movies you guys know about from Australia and New Zealand. I'd like to know of good ones from Britain too, and other English speaking countries outside of the USA. Actually, I like some Russian, French and Spanish movies too, but if they're subtitled, it's so distracting to try and read the subtitles at the bottom of the screen while following the action above the words. You sort of have to either pay attention to one or the other, and that's distracting. So it's really nice when the movie is in English.One of the Australian movies I liked a lot was Mad Max and its sequels. That was the movie that really introduced Mel Gibson to the American audience, and it also gave us familiarity with Bruce Spence (the Gyro Captain) and Vernon Wells (Wez, the Humungus' second, guy on the chain).Anyway, I'm just looking to find some good films from outside the United States, and I was hoping to get some input here or in the MoviesAndMusic forum.

Subject: Re: Ping: Mike and Adrian
Posted by Mike.e on Mon, 24 May 2004 14:22:15 GMT
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apparently whale rider was good!I dont see many movies,im sick of crap 'pop' movies,let down too much.+ the audio system doesnt have enough bass and seems abit yuck or compressed or something.(tiny little speaker boxes)theres one NZ movie u must get wayne,its 'goodbye porkpie' it might be hard to get in other countries,infact it was filmed even in my city too,its a 1970s movie.Im really picky when it comes to movies. 'joedirt' was good i heard too,LOTR ofcourse i enjoyed.. i still havent seen #3 !my mates got a projector :-) il use that.I like slice of life moviesCheers!
 goodbye pork pie

Subject: Re: Ping: Mike and Adrian
Posted by Wayne Parham on Mon, 24 May 2004 14:45:16 GMT
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I'll pick up a copy of "Goodbye Pork Pie," thanks! Check out the link, because it's another review with pictures and stuff. Looks like I can buy Goodbye Pork Pie on VHS tape for eight bucks from Amazon.com. Cool!

Subject: Re: Ping: Mike and Adrian
Posted by Adrian Mack on Tue, 25 May 2004 07:39:57 GMT
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Geez Wayne, I wouldn't know! Most aussie-made movies and TV shows is crap to be honest! I know I have watched a few OK ones before, dont remember the names though - saw 'em on TV. A lot of TV and theatre here is stuff from America and elsewhere, except for the 100 or so reality-tv shows which now go on here ((&*#$*$#*(I hate those!)

Subject: Re: Ping: Mike and Adrian
Posted by Wayne Parham on Tue, 25 May 2004 08:15:28 GMT
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Yeah, I understand. But I did like the Mad Max movies. Yahoo Serious is kinda funny too, movies like Young Einstein and Wreckless Kelly are a lot of fun. I can still hear him saying he's gotta split the beer atom! P.S. I just realized that Hugo Weaving was in Wreckless Kelly. Hugo plays Elrond in Lord of the Rings and the anti-hero Agent Smith in The Matrix. Other Aussie info is that the Matrix was filmed in Australia, as was Dark City, another really cool movie. Man, now that I look at it, you guys are doing a lot of cool stuff down under!

Subject: Re: Ping: Mike and Adrian
Posted by Dean Kukral on Tue, 25 May 2004 13:17:24 GMT
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There was a movie on one of the cable channels (Directv for me) a while back called something like "The Rabbit-Proof Fence," that was an Aussie movie that you might enjoy. Sort of a happy/sad movie based on a true-life story.

Subject: Re: Ping: Mike and Adrian
Posted by Wayne Parham on Tue, 25 May 2004 15:07:57 GMT
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Absolutely! If this is the movie you're talking about, Peter Gabriel did the soundtrack. He's one of my all time favorites, and I'll bet this movie is awesome. From the reviews, it looks like this one will get under your skin. It's not surprising to me that Gabriel would be involved with a project like this. His song Biko, about Steven Biko, resonates with the same kind of emotion.

Subject: Re: Ping: Mike and Adrian
Posted by Dean Kukral on Wed, 26 May 2004 13:04:08 GMT
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Yeah, that's the one.One of the advantages or retiring young is that I get to watch a lot of movies. I may be poor, but,"I sleep late, fish a little, play with my children, and take a siesta with my wife. In the evenings, I go into the village to see my friends, have a few drinks, play the guitar, and sing a few songs...I have a full life." :)

Subject: Re: Ping: Mike and Adrian
Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 26 May 2004 14:37:22 GMT
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It just doesn't get any better than that!

Subject: Early Russell Crowe ....Re: Ping: Mike and Adrian
Posted by lon on Sun, 30 May 2004 19:43:01 GMT
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There's a DVD re-release of Russell Crowe's breakout filmfrom downunder called Romper Stomper. Be advised it is a punkfilm and it is pretty violent but as a "slice of life" show,it's up there with the film "Kids." And "Once Were Warriors" gives a good take on NZnative peoples in the modern world. You ever see "Walkabout"? "Outback"? "Whale Rider"?Sorry if I overdid it. ;-)

Subject: re: Dark City ...
Posted by lon on Sun, 30 May 2004 19:45:25 GMT
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Not to be missed wherever you can find it. DVD will givemore info on the production. I wish I had a DVD player.

Subject: I forgot one .... Re: Ping: Mike and Adrian
Posted by lon on Sun, 30 May 2004 19:49:22 GMT
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Dien Perry's "Bootmen" featuring the stylings of Dien Perry's dance company called "Tap Dogs." "Tap Dogs: Rebooted" will be touring the US in the fall.