

Must-See Holiday Flicks

Stars take Us behind the scenes of silver-screen spectacles that will soon be bringing joy to the world **BY BRADLEY JACOBS**



Katniss' New Competitors

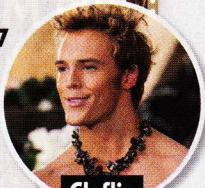
THE HUNGER GAMES: CATCHING FIRE ★ NOV. 22

SAM CLAFLIN, 27

His role Finnick, District 4's flirty and rugged stud

Hometown

Ipswich, England



Claflin

Significant other He

married actress Laura Haddock, 28, this summer (they first met at an audition!).

Fun Fire fact The pasty Brit needed a spray tan! A hair team added highlights.

Tribute training "I had to work out twice a day."

JENA MALONE, 28

Her role Johanna, District 7's cunning ax thrower

Significant other Boyfriend of three years

Galen Pehrson, 33

Hometown Lake Tahoe, Nevada

Fun Fire fact Drank piña coladas with castmates on a Hawaii beach off set

Tribute training "I worked out for two months. My ass looked amazing!"



Paul Rudd, Will Ferrell, Koechner and Steve Carell (from left) play newscasters in 1979.



SET SECRETS

ANCHORMAN 2: THE LEGEND CONTINUES ★ DEC. 20

David Koechner delivers behind-the-scenes news.

Tina Fey came by

She and Amy Poehler have cameos — as do others. "One day," he says, "we had 14 trailers!"



The cast drank Actors knocked 'em back nightly at an Atlanta hotel. "Fans showed up and bought us drinks."

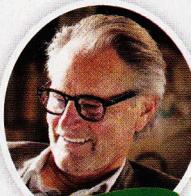
Will warbled The cast shot two musical sequences, "but we filmed so much material, they may be cut."

Julia & Meryl's Family Tree

Juliette Lewis helps sort out the melodrama's dysfunctional clan

AUGUST: OSAGE COUNTY ★ DEC. 25

Prepare for "the awkwardness when relatives reunite for the first time in a while," Juliette Lewis tells *Us*.



Sam Shepard



Meryl Streep

Streep's pill-popping matriarch "gets really scary!"

SEPARATED



Ewan McGregor

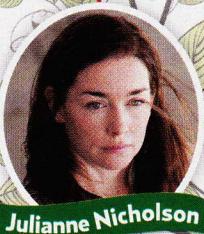


Julia Roberts

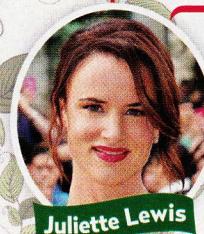


Abigail Breslin

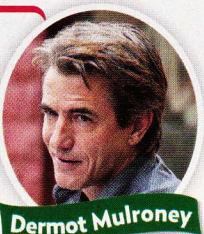
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Julianne Nicholson



Juliette Lewis

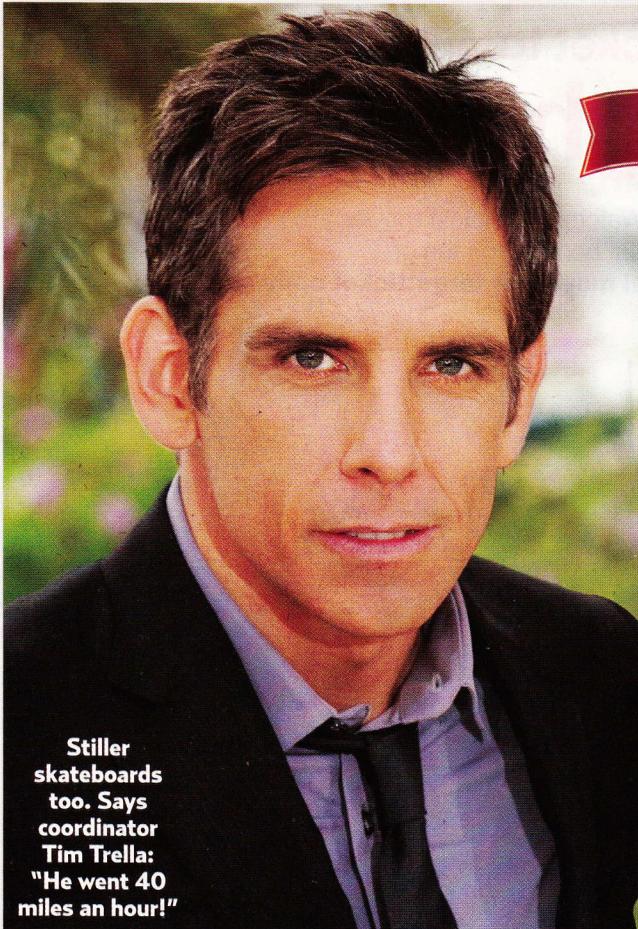


Dermot Mulroney

"Julia is the tough, dominating sister."

"Julianne plays the classic middle child."

"I'm the people pleaser who's very insecure."



Stiller
skateboards
too. Says
coordinator
Tim Trella:
"He went 40
miles an hour!"

Ben's Dates With Wiig

THE SECRET LIFE OF WALTER MITTY ★ DEC. 25

BEFORE BEN STILLER directed and starred in this movie — a mix of fantasy, comedy and romance in which an office drone ends up on global adventures — he sat down with costar Kristen Wiig to study some decades-old flicks. He explains.



He calls
Iceland
"incredible."

Why see older films?

We were searching for the right tone. We watched *The Apartment* and *Being There*. Movies that were inspiring!

You filmed on location a bunch. The best day?

When we shot in Iceland on a glacier. We had to trek up a mountain, film — and get down before dark.

Was the scenery in Iceland gorgeous?

I joined Instagram while I was there. The sunrises!

VINCE'S DADDY ISSUES

DELIVERY MAN
★ NOV. 22 ★

Happy Father's Day! When Vince Vaughn learns he sired 533 kids via sperm donation, he keeps the news from his pregnant love (*How I Met Your Mother's* Cobie Smulders). "I yell at him since he's flaky," she tells *Us*. How is he with his *real* family? "He's an amazing dad."

Bonus
HIMYM news!
Smulders hints
that "Robin
Sparkles" may
appear before
the finale.



"He is constantly trying scenes different ways," says Smulders (with Vaughn).