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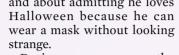
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Benedict Cumberbatch likes to "disguise" himself when he's out in public with his family so they can have their "pri-

Hunter and they are parents just great. to three sons and Benedict,

draw attention t o them when

they are out



During an appearance on the Dish podcast, he explained: "My favourite is Halloween. I The Sherlock star is mar- went as [Star Wars character] ried to actress/director Sophie Chewbacca last year and it was

"I was dancing along to the 49, admits he doesn't want to music that a Michael Jackson impersonator was playing, but I

couldn't really see where I was. "The Michael Jackson im-

and about admitting he loves personator was getting real- just, you know, being in a the- though. Halloween because he can ly angry 'cause I was sort of atre or something, you're in a coming towards his cardboard, theatre, that's the natural hab- a room and everyone - well, and people were turning from itat of an actor, even if you're a lot of people might recogfocusing on him to dancing the other side of it-and in the nise you, you don't know Chewbacca there.

"And, and he was apparently going: 'Hee hee! Hee hee!' have that on-the, the t'inter-

"But you know, I think, to be time. honest, when it comes to this sort of thing, or a premiere or have to own it. It takes an effort

audience, and I don't bother anyone." disguising myself.

"With my family, I try to [dis- on the podcast by his Somewhere someone might guise myself] because I do not The Roses co-star Olwant the attention drawn on ivia Colman, and she them. I want them to have the revealed fans often The actor went on to add: right to their privacy-and their

"But apart from that, I just

"It's very weird walking into

Benedict was joined approach her and ask for pictures even when she's in the bathroom.

She said: "[They do it **Benedict Cumberbatch**





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Tennifer Lopez spent na has the part, right?" "weeks" preparing to play Evita - before Madonna landed the part.

The 56-year-old singer was desperate to play Eva Peron, the Argentine politician and drama film. activist, in the 1996 biographical musical awarded to Madonna instead.

Speaking during songs in one take. a question-and-answer session, Jennifer tion for Evita for [director Alan Parker.

heart out and he goes, 'You're perfectly and then you trip amazing. You know Madon- on your dress or whatever so

"I said, 'OK, bye-bye. Nice to meet you."

ring in the big screen adap- can be, right? It's the time, tation of Kiss of the Spider Woman, the new musical know, budget. All of it were

The actress is fulfilling a long-held ambition by star- mitted earlier this year that drama film, and Jen-ringin a musical film, but she she feels "proud" of her canifer felt devastated still felt a little overwhelmed when the role was when director Bill Condon

like, 'We'll do some cover- the American Music Awards shared: "I went to audi- age?' He was like, 'Nope, no in May. coverage.

"I had been practising it right then.' Like halfway did it.

for weeks and I sing my through the take it's going

it's like, maybe we start over. "It was challenging. It was challenging in that way, time Jennifer is currently star- wise, as independent films it's the prep, it's the, you constraints for us.'

Meanwhile, Jennifer ad-

The chart-topping star asked her to perform one of who has enjoyed huge sucthe movie's more elaborate cess in the music and film industries - reflected on her Jennifer shared: "I was career arc ahead of hosting

Jennifer told People: "I was like, 'I better get "Everything feels like I just

Taylor Swift won't be deposed in Lively / Baldoni trial, judge rules

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Taylor Swift has agreed to be deposed in the Justin Baldoni / Blake Lively legal

The 35-year-old popstar who got engaged to NFL star Travis Kelce last month – has reportedly "agreed to appear for deposition" but is unable to do so until October 20 due to "Ms. Swift's preexisting professional obligations," according to Baldoni's attorney Bryan Freedman.

In a letter to Lewis J. Liman, the U.S. District Judge overseeing the case, which was filed by Freedman and obtained by PEO-

PLE, he claimed a requested extension was solely to take Swift's deposition.

He wrote: "Ms. Lively misleadingly implies the Wayfarer Parties seek a blanket thirty-day extension of the discovery cut-off date. "In fact, the

Wayfarer Parties requested an agreement solely to take the deposition of Taylor Swift during the week of October 20-

The case, Blake Lively v. Wayfarer Studios LLC, et al, is schedule to go to trial in March 2026



A judge has ruled **Taylor Swift will** not have to sit for a deposition in Blake **Lively and Justin** Baldoni's ongoing legal case

> with all depositions due to be completed by September 30. This come after it was ruled in June that Baldoni's legal team could have access to messages between Lively and Swift. The 37-year-old actress is suing her It Ends With Us co-star and director for harassment and accusing him of creating a hostile work environment

on set, which he has denied, while his countersuit accusing Lively and her husband Ryan Reynolds of defamation was dismissed

by Judge Liman. And, E! News previously reported that judge ruled texts between Lively and Swift are "relevant" to the case. **Taylor Swift**

Pierce Brosnan regrets quitting theatre after landing James Bond role

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Dierce Brosnan regrets turning his dream was always movies ... L back on the theatre after landing his role as James Bond.

in TV show Remington Steele in the 1980s and then being signed up to ative outside of Bond." play 007 in the mid-1990s - and Bro-Craig did.

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topher Fettes] wanted me doing Othello in 2016. obscure 19th-century plays, but my After releasing his final Bond

the bottle to go back out there. I for another Shakespearean role The 72-year-old actor started his thought: 'Why the heck didn't I?' You playing the lead in a production of career onstage before winning a part have to really want it, and I didn't."

He added: "It's essential to be cre-

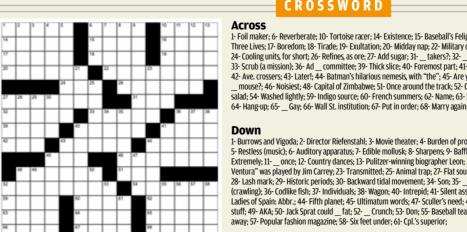
snan has now revealed he wishes he of Bond from Brosnan - continued went back to his theatre roots after working in theatre during his breaks Sign in 1977 after initially being ending his career-defining turn as from making the 007 movies taking hired as an understudy and then the superspy like his successor Daniel on roles on Broadway including star promoted to the main cast by the turns in productions of A Steady Rain playwright himself - and the actor Brosnan told The Guardian news- in 2009, Harold Pinter's Betrayal in reveals Williams sent him a special paper: "[My acting teacher Chris- 2013 and an off-Broadway version of message after opening night.

movie - No Time To Die - in 2021 "I was impressed that Daniel had Craig then went back to the stage Macbeth in 2022.

Brosnan's first major acting role after leaving drama school was in Craig - who took over the role the London premiere of Tennessee Williams' The Red Devil Battery Pierce Brosnan

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