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Josh Duhamel might replace Armie Hammer in upcoming film

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Actor Josh Duhamel is reportedly in talks to star opposite Jennifer Lopez in the romantic adventure Shotgun Wedding. The role was earlier taken up by Armie Hammer, currently embroiled in a controversy over leaked objectionable messages.

Hammer left the project last week, with a representative for the production saying "Given the imminent start date, Armie has requested to step away from the film and we support him in his decision", reports variety.com.

If Duhamel gets finalised, he would star as Tom, opposite Lopez's Darcy, in the film about a couple who gathers their families together for a destination wedding. But soon the pair gets cold feet. It takes a turn for the worst when the entire wedding party is taken hostage.

Jason Moore is set to direct the film.

Meanwhile, Hammer was trending on social media last week after direct Instagram messages were posted sharing graphic sexual fantasies that appeared to be written by Hammer. They have not been verified.

"I'm not responding to these bull** claims but in light of the vicious and spurious online attacks against me, I cannot in good conscience now leave my children for 4 months to shoot a film in the Dominican Republic. Lionsgate is supporting me in this and I'm grateful to them for that," Hammer said.

Josh Duhamel

Jake Gyllenhaal: 'Donnie Darko' changed my life

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Hollywood star Jake Gyllenhaal says the cult sci-fi film, Donnie Darko, not only changed his career, but life too.

As the film completed 20 years since release, the actor looked back at memories associated with the film in an Instagram post.

"Pulled out my script and some artifacts from 'Donnie Darko'... It was released 20 years ago. It's a film that changed my life and my career and it's been unreal to watch this story find afterlives with new audiences and new generations, and yet, what Donnie said to Roberta Sparrow is still true: "there is so much to look forward to"," he wrote on Wednesday.

"Thank you to all the fans who've come up to me over the years with that confused look on their faces and asked me: 'what the f**k is Donnie Darko about??' Happy 20th Donnie! Let's keep confusing people. Here's to 20 more," he added.

The post came with photographs of personal notes, polaroids from the film, and a script of a scene.

Donnie Darko featured Gyllenhaal in the title role, along with his sister Maggie Gyllenhaal. the film also featured Mary McDonnell, Patrick Swayze, Drew Barrymore, Jena Malone, Holmes Osborne, Noah Wyle, Beth Grant and Katharine Ross in special roles.

Directed by Richard Kelly, the 2001 release, set in 1988, narrated the story of a troubled teenager who is visited at night by his imaginary friend named Frank, a haunting figure wearing a large rabbit suit. It follows the title character as he goes on a journey to find the true meaning behind his doomsday visions.

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Anthony Mackie responds to rumours of him taking over as Captain America

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Actor Anthony Mackie addressed the rumours of him taking over the role of Marvel Universe's top superhero Captain America.

According to E! News, the 'Avengers: Endgame' star addressed the rumours during an interview with James Corden at his 'The Late Late Show.'

Corden began the conversation on the topic by telling Mackie about the rumours doing rounds on the internet.

"You need to know about this. Everybody online is saying you're the new Captain America and I think you are. I think it's you," E! News quoted Corden as saying.

Mackie's first response was a blank stare into the screen following which he began laughing and explaining.

"The thing is, if you watch [Avengers] End Game, at the end of the movie Sam Wilson never accepts the shield. He actually tells Cap that the shield is for him and it doesn't feel right on his arm," E! News quoted Mackie as saying.

"If you look at, like, you know--Marvel is great at building characters over the course of many films. and from Winter Soldier to now, my whole goal in the Marvel Universe was to help Cap, was to be Cap's friend. So, at no point in time in End Game did Sam Wilson accept the shield at all. As a matter of fact, it made him happy to come back from time and stand once again at Cap's side," Mackie added.

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Dakota Johnson's panic attack

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Dakota Johnson had a "panic attack" before she sang for a new role.

The 31-year-old actress was required to belt out a number for her role in 'Our Friend' and admits it left her feeling so "terrified" that she ran off the set as she tried to cope.

She said: "Singing in front of people is actually so terrifying for me. And we had to shoot the scene where you don't even really see me. The camera's in the back of ... you can't even really tell what's going on, and I was meant to be performing in community theatre. And they hit playback of my voice, my vocal recording, and called 'Action'.

"And it was like I had a panic attack that manifested in all the ways that it does, that it can, so, like, I just took off running. Running, like around the theatre, around backstage."

And Dakota admits she also started "laughing hysterically" and went into "extreme flight mode".

Speaking on The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon, she added: "I was running around, and then just started laughing hysterically, and everyone on the crew's like, 'What's she doing?' Running around, laughing and then started crying. It was like extreme flight mode."

Dakota has had a number of difficult roles in the past and she previously admitted it "never got easier" filming intimate scenes with Jamie Dornan in 'Fifty Shades of Grey'.

She shared: "I really had to get ready for it each time and know exactly what we were going to do and how we were going to accomplish shooting the scenes, the more intimate ones. Over the course of the three films, it never got easier. It wasn't like, 'Oh, this old thing,' you know?"

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Miley Cyrus gets candid about her sexuality

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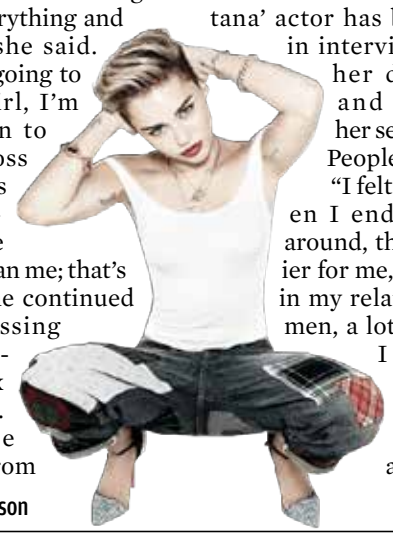
American singer-songwriter Miley Cyrus got candid about her sexual orientation in an interview on Wednesday.

"Girls are way hotter. We know this. Everyone, I think, can agree that from ancient times d--- makes wonderful sculptures. Other than that, I'm not as interested. I like them as art pieces. And sculptural, I love the shape, I think it looks really good on a table," the 28-year-old singer said.

"The role that I was in made more sense because there's not going to be this weird thing that I pay for everything and whatever," she said. "Like if I'm going to be with a girl, I'm totally down to be with a boss bitch who's as successful, or more successful than me; that's cool, too," she continued while discussing that she prefers same-sex relationships.

After the separation from ex-husband Liam Hemsworth, the former 'Hannah Montana' actor has been open in interviews about her dating life and exploring her sexuality, as per People.

"I felt like the women I ended up being around, the role fit easier for me, because even in my relationship with men, a lot of the times, I kind of hold a more dominant space," she added.



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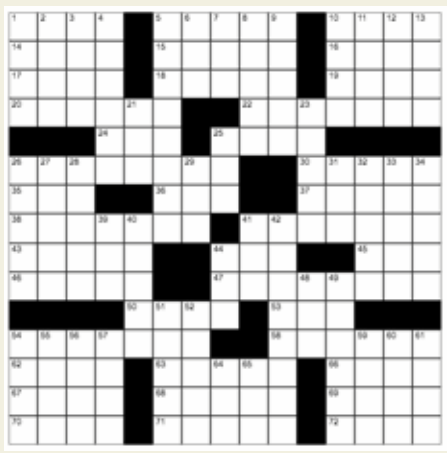

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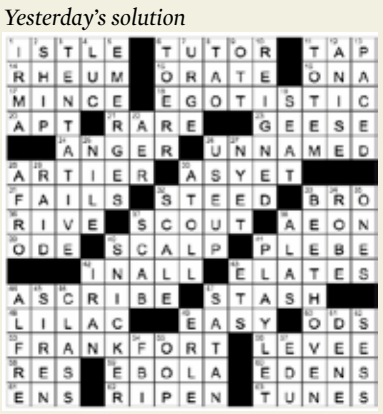
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