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### Douglas Smith opens up about his on-screen relationship with Shailene Woodley Shailene Woodley **Los Angeles** he season 2 of HBO's popular show 'Big Little Lies' is back and has introduced some new faces. Among them is actor Douglas Smith, who plays Jane's (Shailene Woodley) co-worker Corey Brockfield. While the fans are eagerly waiting to see what will happen with the two characters after their first date and slow dance together in the previous episodes, Smith shed some light on what's in store for the viewers speaking about his onscreen relationship with Woodley, reported Entertainment Weekly. He also opened up about what fosters their connection and if the pairing could lead to a "happy When asked about his eagerness to meet Jane's child Ziggy and if he is incredibly serious for **Douglas Smith** her, the actor said, "Yes, that's a very good assumption. I liked when I read that. That this was the way they were imagining this guy. You

# Bella Hadid controversy: UAE malls respond

### **Los Angeles**

hotos of Bella Hadid ap- nation and Saudi Arapear to have been removed bia with the highest from retail outlets in Du- respect and regard. bai, after the model posted an im- We have brought the age of her boot in the foreground matter to the attenof Emirates Airlines and Saudi tion of the retailers Arabia Airlines logos last week.

Hadid, 22, visited The Du-steps," said a spokesbai Mall in 2017 as the face of person for French luxury brand Dior. But The Dubai her promotional images have re- Mall, who portedly been pulled after public could not outery over an Instagram photo, confirm to In the image, now deleted from Gulf News Hadid's Instagram stories, her tabloid! leg was hoisted near a window whether the with her boot in the air; in the model's imbackground, two UAE and Saudi ages had been aeroplanes are visible.

"We uphold the values of our mall.

does not reflect our values." to take appropriate The Mall of the Emirates

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Meanwhile, a spokesperson for Mall of the Emirates said: "A recent incident with a model for one of the brands at Mall of the Emirates is in no way associated with the mall, and

> Twitter account also confirmed that a scheduled Dior event has been can-

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# Obama and Clooney families hang out in Italy

### **Los Angeles**

Kim

Kardashian, Kanye

West are "over the moon" after

welcoming Psalm

₹ormer US president Barack Obama, along with his family, was spotted with American actor George Clooney and his wife Amal

always cringe when a different response

happens in a movie. You know the stereotypical, "Oh ok, catch you later." That's

Speaking about his character, he said, "Yes,

he's very empathetic...He's somebody that has

gone through therapy and had lots of diagnoses thrown his way, and I think he is more sensitive

than the average guy you see running up to you

on the beach with a surfboard in their hands."

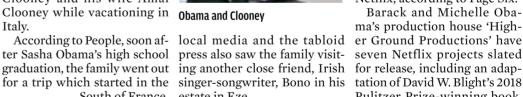
not what you want to read."

South of France. estate in Eze. The Earlier this month.

to speculations that they might be coming up with a new project.

The duo met at upscale seafood eatery Marea, months after Obama's production company unveiled a few films with Netflix, according to Page Six.

Barack and Michelle Obama's production house 'Higher Ground Productions' have seven Netflix projects slated tation of David W. Blight's 2018 Pulitzer Prize-winning book, 'Frederick Douglass: Prophet Obama and filmmaker Steven of Freedom,' along with a series Spielberg were seen having a called 'Bloom,' which is about meeting, leading the fashion world of New York.



# Christina Aguilera celebrates 20 years of 'Genie in a Bottle' **Los Angeles**

Tt's 20 years since Christina Aguilera's hit single  $oldsymbol{1}$  "Genie in a Bottle" released and the pop star says she is grateful for all the love and support.

The 1999 song that went on to become a chartbuster was the lead single of Aguilera's self-titled debut album, which also received favourable

reviews. "Hi lovies! Today marks 20 years since #GenieInABottle was released... Got me feeling all types of emotional!

"At just 18 years old, I remember Aguilera coming home from Japan and seeing that it had reached #1 on the Billboard charts and feeling so grateful and happy that you guys loved it as much as I did. Thank you thank you thank you for riding with me all

these years. My fighters, I love you!" Aguilera

wrote in an Instagram post on June 22.

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Kardashian and Kanye

merican reality TV star Jonathan Cheban said that Kim Kardashian is in **∟**"baby-bliss" after welcoming son, Psalm, with husband Kanye West.

The 'Keeping Up With the Kardashians' star and Kanye welcomed their fourth child via surrogacy on May 9 and Cheban told US Weekly on Sunday that the couple is head over heels in love with their newborn.

"Kim and Kanye are really over-the-moon happy right now," the 45-year-old reality star said at the opening of Mohegan Sun's Novelle nightclub in Uncasville, Connecticut.

"I talked to her yesterday and she's so happy. She's always in baby bliss, she's a robot. Those kids are so cute, you can't not be. They're the cutest kids in the world," he added.

> Cheban, who told the outlet that he will soon be legally changing his name to FoodGod, is smitten with his friend's children.

## Fame doesn't make you happy, says Lily James **Los Angeles**

ily James says she is under no illusion that being popular is a testament to being happy. The 30-year-old actor said she doesn't believe she has changed

after becoming famous through her roles in "Downton Abbey" and "Cinderella" but it is the people around who react differently to her

now.

"If you are trying to fill something in your life with fame, then it's not going to make you happy. I don't think I have really changed.

"Life has changed, other people's reactions to you change and that can be really difficult. People's relationship with celebrity and fame is bizarre, it can be quite dangerous.