

# CELEBS

## Halsey claims she can't release new music without going viral

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Halsey claims her record label won't "let" her release a new song until she goes viral on TikTok.

The 27-year-old singer is keen to bring out the track as soon as possible but has accused Astralwerks/Capitol Records of putting the breaks on her plans because, despite her huge record sales, they want to wait and capitalise on the publicity of a major online moment.

She captioned a video shared to TikTok, in which she frowned while seemingly the new song played in the background: "Basically, I have a song that I love that I want to release ASAP, but my record label won't let me."

"I've been in this industry for eight years and I've sold over 165 million records and my record company is saying I can't release [the song] unless they can fake a viral moment

on TikTok."

The 'Without Me' hitmaker - who uses both feminine and neutral pronouns - insisted their situation isn't uncommon in the music industry.

The caption continued: "Everything is marketing. And they are doing this to every artist these days. I just want to release music, man and I deserve better tbh. I'm tired."

Halsey - who has

10-month-old son Ender with partner Alev Aydin - previously

took a swipe at the executives in charge of her career when she recalled revealing her pregnancy.

Speaking shortly after she'd given birth, they said: "You

have to call the CEO of X, Y, Z and say, 'Hey, hi. I'm just calling to let you know, I'm pregnant. I didn't want you to find out on Instagram. I wanted to tell you myself, personally. It's still business as usual over here though, don't worry.

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Mandy Moore

## Mandy Moore to take a little breaking from acting to be mom

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Mandy Moore plans to take a little break from acting to be mom.

The 38-year-old actress-and-singer has revealed she plans to spend some quality time with her 15-month-old son Gus - whom she has with husband Taylor Goldsmith - before deciding what to do next after the last episode



**Mandy is preparing to bid an emotional farewell to the 'This Is Us' character Rebecca Pearson, whom she has played since 2016**

of her hit NBC family drama 'This Is Us' wraps this week.

Mandy - who is preparing to bid an emotional farewell to the character Rebecca Pearson, whom she has played since 2016 - told 'Entertainment Tonight': "I was pregnant with Gus all throughout the fifth season and then I went back to work when he was a month old.

"So, I'm excited to be a mom for a minute, then figure out

what I wanna do after that."

Meanwhile, the 'Candy' singer recently revealed she gets parenting inspiration from her 'This Is Us' alter ego.

Mandy hailed her character as the "ultimate guide" when it comes to raising her family.

She said: "I've been so lucky to have the ultimate guide with Rebecca. She's human and fallible, but her family and being a mother are always her top priority."

With the show set to end after six seasons, Mandy was thankful to have her new album, 'In Real Life', to focus on.

She added: "I feel grateful that I have the emotional catharsis of the record coming out and being able to go out on the road and process everything. I'm definitely feeling all of the things!"

Despite his young age, Gus is already showing signs of following in his parents' musical footsteps.

## Samuel L Jackson joins Garfield cast

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Samuel L. Jackson has joined the cast of 'Garfield'.

The 73-year-old actor will voice the lasagna-loving, Monday-hating cat's father Vic - a new character created for the upcoming movie, which stars Chris Pratt in the lead role - in Alcon Entertainment's animated feature film based on the iconic comic strip of the same name.

Jackson will voice the new character alongside Pratt's take on ginger feline Garfield in a movie based on a script written by David Reynolds, with director Mark Dindal at the helm.

Sony Pictures will distribute the movie globally - besides China - with the 'Garfield' comic's creator Davis serving as executive producers.

Cartoonist Jim Davis first created the loveable ginger cat for a comic in 1978, and the titular moggy was joined by owner Jon Arbuckle and his pet dog Odie.

The mischievous kitty made its big-screen debut in the live-action/animated 2004

film 'Garfield', which got a sequel, 'Garfield: A Tail of Two Kitties', two years later.

Pratt is no stranger to voice acting, having already voiced Barley Lightfoot in Disney Pixar's 'Onward' and Emmett in 'The Lego Movie', and it was previously announced that the star is set to voice Mario in the new 'Super Mario Bros' movie.

Meanwhile, Jackson - who has appeared in hit films like the 'Star Wars' prequels and 'Jurassic Park' during a prolific big screen career - recently explained he gravitates towards flicks he would have enjoyed when he was younger.

Samuel said: "I don't do a lot of cinematic character studies. I tend to do popcorn movies and movies that I would have gone to see when I was a kid, movies that make me happy.



Yesterday's solution

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## Jennifer Connelly recalls flying with Tom Cruise: 'He's such a good pilot'

Fox | Los Angeles

Jennifer Connelly is facing her flying fears.

In a recent interview with Good Morning America, the actress, 51, admitted that flying isn't her "favorite" thing to do despite the movie being about airplanes. She shared that her co-star, Tom Cruise, took her up in a World War II-era plane during their time filming "Top Gun: Maverick."

"It was an extraordinary experience," Connelly said. "It was a P-51, which is a World War II plane, and it was

pretty extraordinary.

We were flying, skimming the top of the mountains and there was a jet right off our wing that was filming us, so it was definitely flying unlike any flying I've done before."

When asked if she was nervous to get in the plane with Cruise, she responded, "He's such a good pilot and he's so meticulous in absolutely

everything that he does, so it was kind of therapeutic for me."

She continued: "As someone who doesn't really love to fly to do that kind of flying with someone like him I could just enjoy it."

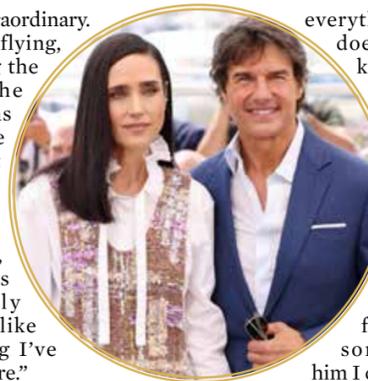
Connelly stars as Cruise's love interest in the recently released film. She shares in the interview that before filming,

she had never met the actor or starred with him in a movie.

"He's just a great actor, so he makes it just a joy working with him," Connelly said as she described her character's role in the movie.

Connelly plays the character Penny Bengamin in "Top Gun: Maverick" which was mentioned in the original 1986 "Top Gun."

"I love the idea of their relationship," Connelly said of Penny Bengamin and Lt. Pete "Maverick" Mitchell. "So these characters have known each other for a long time, so I think it was a fun place to start their relationship."



## Khloe Kardashian: I've only had one nose job

IAANS | Los Angeles

Reality TV personality Khloe Kardashian has admitted to being "offended" by recent rumours about her appearance.

The 37-year-old star has confessed to being "offended" by recent rumours that she's undergone 12 face transplants, reports femalefirst.co.uk.

Khloe explained: "It did use to bother me when people were [saying] I've had 12 face transplants. I'm like, 'Oh, my God, I have?' I was like, 'That's

crazy."

The 'Kardashians' star has been baffled by the recent rumours, and insisted she's only gone under the knife one time.

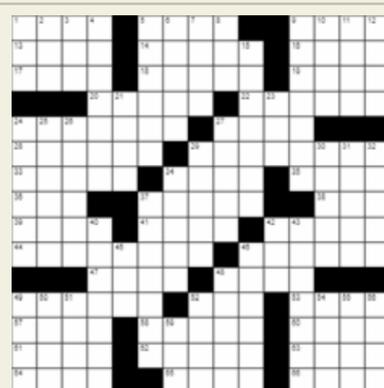
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