00:00:01:09 - 00:00:03:22 Welcome to the end of the year.

00:00:04:00 - 00:00:07:15 A digital disability film review podcast,

00:00:08:12 - 00:00:11:10 again, as always, welcoming Dr Mary Griffiths

00:00:11:10 - 00:00:14:11 and Dr Alex Long and myself

00:00:15:08 - 00:00:16:02 who doc

00:00:16:12 - 00:00:20:21 and we're finally going to talk about one film as it's Christmas time, end of year,

00:00:21:04 - 00:00:24:05 and then we're going to give a kind of review of the entire year

00:00:24:05 - 00:00:27:20 of the good, the bad and the ways to spice.

00:00:28:13 - 00:00:32:22 So the film we're going to talk about, particularly is the starting

00:00:32:22 - 00:00:35:22 point is a new Belgian film

00:00:36:08 - 00:00:39:09 directed by Patrick Reed Remo

00:00:40:14 - 00:00:43:24 and starring Eugenie The Room,

00:00:44:13 - 00:00:48:10 and it's a Belgian film, and it's called the Advent Calendar.

00:00:49:01 - 00:00:51:19 So I'll say a couple of words initially, 00:00:51:19 - 00:00:54:24 I'll say that it was full of cliches.

00:00:55:00 - 00:00:58:06 It was ridiculous, but I must admit I thoroughly

00:00:58:06 - 00:01:00:04 enjoyed it from beginning to end.

00:01:00:04 - 00:01:01:15 I'm not a big horror fan.

00:01:01:15 - 00:01:06:04
I don't particularly watch it, so I'm not comparing it to classics of the genre.

00:01:06:04 - 00:01:08:11 But I must admit it made me laugh.

00:01:08:11 - 00:01:12:23
It made me smile, made me jump once, and I thoroughly enjoyed it.

00:01:12:24 - 00:01:14:00 What do you think, Alison?

00:01:15:19 - 00:01:17:06 I concur with you.

00:01:17:06 - 00:01:20:05 I also enjoyed it.

00:01:20:23 - 00:01:23:19 Bear in mind, I've watched you to bits.

00:01:23:24 - 00:01:25:20 Probably love for cancer.

00:01:25:20 - 00:01:27:20 Well, hopefully I have no help.

00:01:27:20 - 00:01:29:22 But yeah, I think

00:01:30:11 - 00:01:33:07

it's a really, really good example of a film

00:01:33:07 - 00:01:37:04 that kind of breaks all those rules with kind of set ourselves

00:01:37:04 - 00:01:40:04 for not representing disability or impairment.

00:01:41:05 - 00:01:45:11 And but I think not only did

00:01:45:16 - 00:01:49:03 the enjoyment of its

00:01:49:06 - 00:01:52:18 kind of managed to put some of that aside from it.

00:01:52:21 - 00:01:57:07
I actually think that made progress in some areas as well, not least

00:01:57:07 - 00:02:00:12 in the fact that we had

00:02:01:00 - 00:02:03:11 a disabled civil character

00:02:03:20 - 00:02:09:12 at the center of the action, which is still still quite rare.

00:02:09:19 - 00:02:13:24
I know the recent examples both particularly in horror movies as well.

00:02:14:12 - 00:02:17:17 So kind is as away from the Association

00:02:18:18 - 00:02:21:03 of Disability

00:02:21:03 - 00:02:23:15 and the monstrous feminist stereotype.

00:02:24:08 - 00:02:28:08 Yeah, and I have to say one thing I really want us to watch out for

00:02:28:15 - 00:02:31:09 is an up and coming to like start.

00:02:31:09 - 00:02:34:23 But it's worth it just to see that happen.

00:02:35:03 - 00:02:37:03 So when you said you thought it had some problem

00:02:37:03 - 00:02:39:19 areas, what which areas you don't want?

00:02:40:19 - 00:02:41:15 Sorry. Not a lot.

00:02:41:15 - 00:02:44:03
But some people would immediately write helpful

00:02:45:02 - 00:02:48:01 for employing an actress.

00:02:48:08 - 00:02:50:15 I would think in the role.

00:02:52:02 - 00:02:54:06 So yeah, that's certainly a problem.

00:02:54:06 - 00:02:58:22
I think the other well, under the problem some people will bring up that

00:02:58:22 - 00:03:02:19 is the fact that it's a disabled person in horror film, of course.

00:03:03:06 - 00:03:06:16 But I think to me, perhaps the most important

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critique can have against my own argument is that

00:03:11:13 - 00:03:14:24 it's it's very individualistic.

00:03:15:20 - 00:03:17:20 They, the woman at the center of it,

00:03:18:04 - 00:03:21:18 has to civil community, but then she has just become disabled.

00:03:22:08 - 00:03:28:02 And I think in many ways that allows the storytelling to proceed

00:03:28:02 - 00:03:31:03 as it does doing the fairly typical fairy tale

00:03:33:05 - 00:03:35:11 kind of way and horror of that Rachel

00:03:36:00 - 00:03:41:08 kind of way of fashion type of way to make it an individual thing.

00:03:41:09 - 00:03:44:17 So there's certainly no sense of community in there.

00:03:44:23 - 00:03:48:01 And I think for me, an individualistic depiction

00:03:48:01 - 00:03:51:01 of empowerment is often in a

00:03:51:11 - 00:03:54:08 so often often a problem.

00:03:54:20 - 00:03:57:09 And in this case, of course, it was fundamental to the story

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that was being told,

00:03:59:05 - 00:04:02:09 which I'm obviously not going to give as follows, but

00:04:03:01 - 00:04:07:08 it's basically the question that you come up with, and I certainly came up with

00:04:08:08 - 00:04:10:16 is would you kill most of the people?

00:04:10:16 - 00:04:12:24 You love them quite a lot, people you hurt just to

00:04:14:03 - 00:04:17:01 just to not have your empowerment anymore on some days.

00:04:17:05 - 00:04:21:05 Actually, I'd probably give it a minute to consideration, to be honest.

00:04:21:05 - 00:04:26:04 So I've convinced myself it is a very individualistic individual seesaw.

00:04:26:23 - 00:04:30:06 Well, I would say you obviously know nicer people than me.

00:04:30:06 - 00:04:34:03 I'd give it a few hours of consideration generally and probably Premiere

00:04:34:03 - 00:04:35:06 a little list.

00:04:35:06 - 00:04:37:01 But what about you?

00:04:37:01 - 00:04:37:23 zero.

00:04:38:18 - 00:04:43:03

No, I think similar to both of you, I am I am a fan of horror, so I watch.

00:04:43:19 - 00:04:46:02 I do enjoy watching horror films.

00:04:46:02 - 00:04:50:20 And as I said, I think typically we would always find the disabled

00:04:50:20 - 00:04:56:07 or an impaired character portrayed in the villainous role and here.

00:04:56:08 - 00:05:01:09 So it was quite surprising to find the main character.

00:05:01:21 - 00:05:05:02 Although they go on to on a murder spree,

00:05:06:08 - 00:05:08:22 you know they occupy a position not typically seen,

00:05:09:03 - 00:05:12:18
I think, within within horror genres or at least the films I watch.

00:05:13:12 - 00:05:14:09 And I think it's quite interesting.

00:05:14:09 - 00:05:17:19
But again, a film
that we looked at before, I can't remember

00:05:18:01 - 00:05:21:01 the name of it where the character was locked in the house,

00:05:21:17 - 00:05:25:17 which was which I probably put again in the in the horror genre.

00:05:25:20 - 00:05:29:17 So we're seeing this, this, this, this move, I think, towards 00:05:30:14 - 00:05:33:06 characters, disabled characters taking on these,

00:05:33:06 - 00:05:36:16 these sorts of stories and narratives, which is interesting.

00:05:36:16 - 00:05:39:11 I wonder whether you know, whether it's will go in the next few years.

00:05:39:20 - 00:05:45:09 Certainly, the film itself, I think there was some really interesting

00:05:46:17 - 00:05:48:20 themes and issues that it was exploring.

00:05:48:20 - 00:05:52:19 So often the story would show

00:05:53:01 - 00:05:56:04 the embarrassment that surrounds disability and disabled people.

00:05:56:04 - 00:05:56:11 People

00:05:57:16 - 00:06:00:00 feeling uncomfortable,

00:06:00:04 - 00:06:03:13 feeling embarrassed, feeling sorry for you.

00:06:03:13 - 00:06:05:05 Can you get those narratives of shame?

00:06:05:05 - 00:06:07:08 You've also got my annoyance as well.

00:06:07:08 - 00:06:11:23 So, you know the the individual who is her employer 00:06:13:00 - 00:06:17:23 who talks about the reluctance of taking on the disabled person in the workplace?

00:06:18:04 - 00:06:19:21 And then

00:06:20:15 - 00:06:24:08 there's that conversation around you to do it in order to get

00:06:24:22 - 00:06:27:18 I think it was either, you know,

00:06:29:05 - 00:06:30:12 tax relief

00:06:30:12 - 00:06:33:09 or know some sort of compensation.

00:06:33:18 - 00:06:38:01 So these kind of issues are pulling away in society around the reluctance

00:06:38:08 - 00:06:42:19 of accepting or accommodating or even acknowledging disabled people's existence.

00:06:43:02 - 00:06:45:14 This is played out, and I think, you know, it then goes through.

00:06:45:14 - 00:06:50:22 This is a very stark narrative of of the anger and frustration

00:06:51:06 - 00:06:55:13 that so people feel towards certain individuals and certain communities,

00:06:56:08 - 00:06:58:18 which is which is which is interesting.

00:06:58:22 - 00:07:02:21 And I suppose as for me, there's also something here about how 00:07:03:14 - 00:07:06:17 the the the character the main character is

00:07:07:00 - 00:07:11:02 is going through a story of of why I initially thought it was exploitation.

00:07:11:09 - 00:07:12:13 So you have this monster

00:07:12:13 - 00:07:16:13 who is the is arguing you have to do certain things and tasks.

00:07:17:02 - 00:07:18:08 You have to carry this out.

00:07:18:08 - 00:07:21:08 And I thought it was interesting that the individual bit so person,

00:07:21:16 - 00:07:26:05 because this question of how so so people are exploited in society,

00:07:26:14 - 00:07:30:06 but also how that then becomes entangled with this desperation

00:07:30:06 - 00:07:33:14 that she has for a cure for rehabilitation,

00:07:33:20 - 00:07:36:13 particularly towards the end of the story as well as at the beginning,

00:07:36:21 - 00:07:40:22 there is no recognition that perhaps this is an opportunity to

00:07:41:22 - 00:07:44:07 not do to

00:07:45:12 - 00:07:47:20 not have an empowerment

at the end of the story.

00:07:47:20 - 00:07:51:13 But what you see as it goes on and when this starts to become a possibility,

00:07:51:19 - 00:07:54:06 I think is really fascinating and really interesting

00:07:54:06 - 00:07:57:16 when she gets the opportunities to have moments of of

00:07:57:16 - 00:08:01:07 of a cure in terms of some of the sweets that she eats.

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And then, of course,
the realization at the end and and the

00:08:05:20 - 00:08:07:24 the option, the alternative future that she could

00:08:08:04 - 00:08:11:00 that she could go down, I thought was was was really fascinating.

00:08:11:01 - 00:08:13:08 I wasn't expecting it as part of the story.

00:08:14:09 - 00:08:17:08 So I agree with you, I thought they were

00:08:17:10 - 00:08:20:06 the more dubious element for me,

00:08:20:21 - 00:08:25:22 particularly was in relation to dementia because the father has dementia,

00:08:26:15 - 00:08:32:00 and I think it was a kind of semi-pro assisted suicide kind of narrow event. 00:08:32:00 - 00:08:35:05 And I know to some extent one can be drawn into reading

00:08:35:06 - 00:08:39:08 too much into a horror movie or a story like this.

00:08:39:08 - 00:08:43:13 But I think there was elements of that which I didn't particularly like.

00:08:43:13 - 00:08:46:10 But I I quite liked.

00:08:46:10 - 00:08:49:01 I suppose it made you think about.

00:08:49:01 - 00:08:54:02 A whole range of experiences that you have as a disabled person, so for example,

00:08:55:02 - 00:08:57:21 her key friend, particularly who gives her the box

00:08:58:06 - 00:09:01:16 and and meets some particular gun band

00:09:02:02 - 00:09:03:13 and it's kind of like how

00:09:03:13 - 00:09:07:05 how particularly with the quad impairment, how friendships change

00:09:07:05 - 00:09:11:13 and how it becomes a different kind of relationship and actually ending

00:09:11:13 - 00:09:15:09 it is often could be the best thing or, you know, developing new friendships.

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I, I quite like that

it brought in people that she didn't know

00:09:20:08 - 00:09:23:13 that ended up having consequences, like she gets a boyfriend.

00:09:23:23 - 00:09:27:16 And then in the narrative going around how that that ends pretty badly.

00:09:28:08 - 00:09:31:10 But I must admit, I I just thought it was great fun.

00:09:31:10 - 00:09:35:20 And I think often when we watch a lot of these disability films

00:09:35:20 - 00:09:37:06 and we talk about some of the others in a minute,

00:09:37:06 - 00:09:40:06 particularly the have disability or impairment is a thing

00:09:41:02 - 00:09:43:14 that terribly earnest and terribly dull.

00:09:43:24 - 00:09:48:00 And it was quite nice to see someone almost liberated from any

00:09:48:16 - 00:09:52:07 any problem of thinking about how to interpret it,

00:09:53:00 - 00:09:56:16 just just for going for it, but equally opening it up

00:09:57:02 - 00:10:02:09 to kind of like as a metaphor for what it feels like to be disabled,

00:10:02:09 - 00:10:06:10 particularly if you're required,

particularly the social pressures

00:10:06:10 - 00:10:09:11 that you, you know you must be normal at all costs.

00:10:09:22 - 00:10:15:13 And this is actually somebody who takes that to its logical extreme.

00:10:15:13 - 00:10:20:02 And I quite like that as as to some extent arguing

00:10:20:02 - 00:10:24:20 that normality at all costs is basically the death of everybody.

00:10:25:23 - 00:10:28:12 I really quite like that kind of as an idea.

00:10:29:02 - 00:10:31:20 And it would have been quite nice to have gone a bit further into that

00:10:32:04 - 00:10:35:00 and perhaps a bit more coherently.

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I and again,
because I don't watch horror films either,

00:10:37:20 - 00:10:39:16 because I don't tend to enjoy them.

00:10:39:16 - 00:10:42:11 I don't like being shocked and made to jump in.

00:10:42:11 - 00:10:45:08 Although I was made to jump in this one I did conjure.

00:10:45:13 - 00:10:48:02 I thought she played the role pretty well. 00:10:49:06 - 00:10:52:19
I thought the actress
pretending to be disabled in the

00:10:53:00 - 00:10:56:05 she wasn't pretend to be disabled in the role she was acting it

00:10:56:13 - 00:10:59:07 and but he clearly would understand why be given

00:10:59:07 - 00:11:03:03 the consequences, the narrative thrust of the whole drive of it.

00:11:03:14 - 00:11:05:22 Why, you know,

00:11:05:22 - 00:11:08:18 she wasn't disabled, particularly they would have been wise around that.

00:11:08:18 - 00:11:11:01 But but I did.

00:11:11:01 - 00:11:13:10
I suppose what I enjoyed about most of it is

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I didn't care and I didn't think about it in that respect.

00:11:16:17 - 00:11:23:03 It just made me go along for the ride with the 25 days, 24, 25 days

00:11:23:19 - 00:11:28:00 that and most of the people did get killed

00:11:28:00 - 00:11:33:01 died in a way that was quite nice in in its own narrative.

00:11:33:10 - 00:11:34:07 I want to say nice.

00:11:34:07 - 00:11:36:10 I mean, you thought, yeah, why not kill him?

00:11:36:14 - 00:11:37:15 They deserve to die?

00:11:39:03 - 00:11:39:17 I thought

00:11:39:17 - 00:11:43:02 the black thing was quite interesting

00:11:43:16 - 00:11:46:08 and the Viagra element of it

00:11:46:14 - 00:11:50:05 in one of the days of the advent calendar.

00:11:50:23 - 00:11:53:06 But it was just nice to enjoy a film

00:11:54:10 - 00:11:56:04 that had impairment in it.

00:11:56:04 - 00:11:59:09 The Viagra, there's a scene of where there's

00:11:59:09 - 00:12:03:05 a Viagra pill involved, and I thought that that was quite an amusing.

00:12:03:18 - 00:12:06:09 And equally it it made some kind of statement

00:12:06:09 - 00:12:10:02 about masculinity as well that I thought was very interesting.

00:12:10:20 - 00:12:11:24 Yeah, I think so.

00:12:11:24 - 00:12:14:08
Well, I think the concept of relationships

00:12:15:02 - 00:12:17:01 in the story I thought was quite interesting.

00:12:17:01 - 00:12:20:11 So yeah, when she sees

00:12:21:10 - 00:12:25:03 a love interest or potential love interest, there's this.

00:12:25:03 - 00:12:28:12 And I suppose it does go back into the issues of some kind of

00:12:29:16 - 00:12:34:06 stereotypes and representations that we're used to in terms of, well,

00:12:34:06 - 00:12:35:12 the only person I could

00:12:35:12 - 00:12:38:21
I could possibly be with somebody who's already familiar with

00:12:40:02 - 00:12:42:02 dysfunction of the body,

00:12:42:02 - 00:12:45:02 and it's going to be able to accept and have familiarity

00:12:45:02 - 00:12:47:20 with caring responsibilities and not cause.

00:12:48:02 - 00:12:52:02 It turns out that the person is interested in works

00:12:52:02 - 00:12:55:09 in, you know, in a medical setting as a nurse.

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And then, of course, you know, the the there's also the issue,

00:13:00:01 - 00:13:03:24
I think of the sexual violence
at one point as well, which which

00:13:05:08 - 00:13:09:20 again, I think was quite interesting and in that linked to of exploitation

00:13:09:20 - 00:13:14:02 that I feel is a thread that goes through the story in particular.

00:13:14:06 - 00:13:17:07 There's also one thing I probably would just say going back to a point you made

00:13:17:07 - 00:13:21:11 before about the kind of the normality and the desire for normality.

00:13:22:01 - 00:13:24:20 And absolutely at the end, when you have that sentence

00:13:24:20 - 00:13:30:00 by the new love interest of, you know, those people are dead.

00:13:30:03 - 00:13:33:22 So, you know, we can move on from this and and you now have this opportunity

00:13:33:22 - 00:13:38:21 to live the life that you that you pursued that you really wanted, you know,

00:13:38:21 - 00:13:42:05 in terms of of of normality

00:13:42:05 - 00:13:45:19 and conforming to those normative trends and values.

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And I thought that it was.

00:13:48:12 - 00:13:51:11
It was great that it was in the film because I think that obviously they're not

00:13:51:11 - 00:13:54:14 taking this one of the central themes that we're thinking about.

00:13:54:18 - 00:13:57:09 But it would have been good to see the process of thinking

00:13:57:14 - 00:14:01:02 a little bit further on that aspect and to play out, you know, the rationality

00:14:01:07 - 00:14:03:11 of why she would want to go down that route

00:14:03:11 - 00:14:08:18 and how that is a reflection of the way in which society is organized around these

00:14:09:22 - 00:14:12:01
Adobe around these particular trends and themes.

00:14:12:01 - 00:14:14:05 And I suppose I also linked instantly else I was interested

00:14:14:17 - 00:14:17:02 in, which was the quotes at the beginning of the film.

00:14:18:01 - 00:14:19:21 The quote Bye bye.

00:14:19:21 - 00:14:21:24
Probably
I pronounce the name wrong with Charles

00:14:22:05 - 00:14:24:17 Baudelaire, the French poet, 00:14:25:15 - 00:14:27:22 and of course, the main villain itch itch.

00:14:29:08 - 00:14:31:08 But what I think is quite interesting is

00:14:32:11 - 00:14:33:13 I'm not familiar with that.

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But when I did a quick search
and was looking at some of their writings,

00:14:37:19 - 00:14:38:24 they were very interested.

00:14:38:24 - 00:14:42:14 The poet Charles Baudelaire on the on the fleeting,

00:14:42:14 - 00:14:46:14 individualistic aspects of life in in in,

00:14:47:09 - 00:14:51:19 well in urban societies and in the process of of

00:14:52:23 - 00:14:54:12 industrialized societies.

00:14:54:12 - 00:14:55:08 So again,

00:14:55:19 - 00:14:59:15 there's something as well in terms of the fragmentation of the individualization of

00:14:59:24 - 00:15:03:22 of of our choices and on the selfishness of our choices as well.

00:15:03:22 - 00:15:06:06 You know, the idea of you can you can kill these people.

00:15:06:06 - 00:15:10:13

People are expendable if you want to pursue these specific goals

00:15:10:13 - 00:15:13:08 that you have and for you, for your existence.

00:15:14:02 - 00:15:16:18 I thought that was that was really fascinating.

00:15:16:18 - 00:15:19:23
I suppose
I quite like the idea of the family

00:15:20:08 - 00:15:23:17 as being something that you could it because she kills everyone,

00:15:23:17 - 00:15:28:15 all of her family, basically, and that ends up being a liberating experience.

00:15:28:15 - 00:15:31:16 And I quite like that because I think often

00:15:32:12 - 00:15:36:05 the notion of the family, like I was watching another film yesterday

00:15:36:14 - 00:15:40:01 where family is all about is kind of very romanticized

00:15:40:15 - 00:15:43:21 version of it, which I think applies to.

00:15:44:11 - 00:15:47:06 That's the rare exception rather than the rule

00:15:47:14 - 00:15:51:13 and actually something like this that explores that notion

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of eradicating the family, your family,

00:15:54:22 - 00:15:57:11 your friends for a whole new life

00:15:58:03 - 00:16:05:02 and almost the impairment as a metaphor for being a member of a family.

00:16:05:10 - 00:16:08:24 And the way to to escape that is to kill

00:16:09:13 - 00:16:11:17 everybody, you know, which I wish I did.

00:16:12:13 - 00:16:14:23 I really liked that, Alison,

00:16:16:14 - 00:16:18:05 of all I tried, really.

00:16:18:05 - 00:16:20:21 So I really it did have the.

00:16:23:07 - 00:16:25:20 They the violence,

00:16:25:20 - 00:16:29:04 the sexual and violence towards the

00:16:30:08 - 00:16:33:02 physical violence to get to her in it.

00:16:34:07 - 00:16:36:15 We all know, for example, that disabled women

00:16:37:05 - 00:16:41:18 just just do have a disproportionate amount of of those attacks on them.

00:16:41:18 - 00:16:44:22 So what kind of knowledge in that state?

00:16:44:22 - 00:16:47:09 And of course, it went well with the genre as well. 00:16:49:11 - 00:16:50:14 And and of course,

00:16:50:14 - 00:16:52:24 a lot of current things are

00:16:53:15 - 00:16:55:11 around empowerment and disability,

00:16:55:11 - 00:16:58:24 and a lot of people are afraid to leave the homes at the moment.

00:16:58:24 - 00:17:03:08 And that was they would trip out that shootout at that point

00:17:04:07 - 00:17:07:22 after she got, she had her impairment.

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I think the other thing is going back to her

00:17:11:01 - 00:17:14:20 as a probable non-disabled actress

00:17:15:14 - 00:17:20:21 is, I think for me as well was the more serious issue is

00:17:22:00 - 00:17:22:19 not just

00:17:22:19 - 00:17:25:22 that trust, but all the people who were working on the film.

00:17:25:22 - 00:17:29:05 And I do think it looks to me when you look

00:17:29:05 - 00:17:33:16 at the issues on impairments that she's the father, the blind man 00:17:33:16 - 00:17:37:06 who seemed to have the calendar before her,

00:17:38:07 - 00:17:41:19 that they were great on all details.

00:17:41:21 - 00:17:46:23 And Kevin, for example, you know, the kind of discussion of that

00:17:47:06 - 00:17:50:24 he must've met with.

00:17:50:24 - 00:17:53:17 Find out which choices made about killing his family

00:17:54:01 - 00:17:57:12 through the fact that it couldn't have posted the picture.

00:17:57:18 - 00:18:00:14 So I think there are all kinds of things

00:18:00:14 - 00:18:03:18 that things around that when she always shown that put up.

00:18:04:02 - 00:18:06:18 So I think probably could have done with

00:18:06:18 - 00:18:10:13 somebody disabled on the team in general.

00:18:10:15 - 00:18:14:04 The writing team also fails to get a slightly

00:18:14:04 - 00:18:17:08 more authentic portrayal of impediments.

00:18:18:17 - 00:18:19:10 Absolutely.

00:18:19:10 - 00:18:19:22 And I think 00:18:19:22 - 00:18:23:17 that's probably true of every film ever made with respect, impairment or not.

00:18:23:17 - 00:18:29:14
I think that would often give it a kind of extra extra insight and depth.

00:18:29:17 - 00:18:32:20 So anything else, Mario, or should we just move on

00:18:32:20 - 00:18:34:22 to a kind of general overview of the year?

00:18:35:24 - 00:18:38:08 The ideal thing I would probably add is I, well, I

00:18:39:23 - 00:18:41:02 is the perfect.

00:18:41:02 - 00:18:42:19 Would have been nice.

00:18:42:19 - 00:18:45:02 Have the back story of the origin story of the monster

00:18:46:01 - 00:18:48:04 because I was always going think that through.

00:18:48:04 - 00:18:51:19
And again, you know,
because obviously the monster is, is is

00:18:53:19 - 00:18:56:16 position as being very grotesque and full of

00:18:59:08 - 00:19:02:13 deformities and scarring and so on.

00:19:03:19 - 00:19:06:01 You know, the frustration I had that game 00:19:06:17 - 00:19:11:10 that fell into the the stereotypes I undermines.

00:19:11:10 - 00:19:14:00
I think many of the aspects
that we've been talking about, which are

00:19:14:07 - 00:19:15:18 which are really interesting

00:19:15:18 - 00:19:19:07 and significant and poignant for for an exploration of disability.

00:19:19:13 - 00:19:24:05 So that was my probably my my main criticism of it was the

00:19:24:11 - 00:19:28:24 the depiction of the of the actual monster when I think of my client in the sequel.

00:19:29:09 - 00:19:31:23 Given that they left it hanging. Yeah. Yes.

00:19:32:12 - 00:19:35:22 Well, it's funny because I would say that the monster was.

00:19:37:02 - 00:19:39:08 Yourself, does it ache,

00:19:40:02 - 00:19:43:05 ache, which is the I in German?

00:19:43:05 - 00:19:45:15 I do know one sentence in German is not very nice sentence,

00:19:45:15 - 00:19:49:12 but it includes the word and it means I.

00:19:49:22 - 00:19:55:15 And I took that as being her inner feelings

00:19:56:15 - 00:20:02:15 and the rage of her or whoever had it.

00:20:03:00 - 00:20:05:04 Whoever has the advent calendar

00:20:05:04 - 00:20:08:07 about the world that they live in their own personal rage.

00:20:08:15 - 00:20:14:10 And as as a kind of manifestation of one's self, it's covered in scars.

00:20:14:10 - 00:20:17:10 It's full of rage, hate

00:20:17:18 - 00:20:18:20 and fear.

00:20:18:20 - 00:20:21:16 And that's how I read that actually,

00:20:22:11 - 00:20:25:02 which I thought added to it enormously.

00:20:25:14 - 00:20:29:10 And again, particularly, I think that's probably more

00:20:29:10 - 00:20:33:08 so in particular, someone with it in a narrative about acquired impairment.

00:20:33:14 - 00:20:36:03 But but it's also true of

00:20:36:07 - 00:20:39:21 congenital irrespective, and I quite like

00:20:39:21 - 00:20:43:24
I personally saw that as as a pure manifestation of the self

00:20:46:02 - 00:20:47:22

and giving cheap in a car accident.

00:20:47:22 - 00:20:51:00 And it was it was the kind of the entire

00:20:52:12 - 00:20:55:05 life experience of the individual

00:20:55:05 - 00:20:58:06 manifests externally, almost like

00:20:59:07 - 00:21:01:20 the Dorian Gray painting

00:21:01:20 - 00:21:06:10 manifesting of the self and how one feels and experiences of the world,

00:21:07:05 - 00:21:09:13 combined with the fact that then it became about

00:21:09:13 - 00:21:12:09 killing everyone she knew.

00:21:12:16 - 00:21:16:09 And in a way, that's partly that's what reinforced that as a

00:21:16:21 - 00:21:19:13 as that's what it was.

00:21:19:13 - 00:21:24:13 And I completely agree, and that's how I read it for almost two the.

00:21:25:06 - 00:21:29:07
I think that's what I started off by saying about the individualistic natural

00:21:29:07 - 00:21:34:24 that it's it to me as a person with an acquired impairment.

00:21:35:04 - 00:21:37:08 I can still remember the anger, 00:21:38:01 - 00:21:43:12 all of why me and all that kind of but do with the world.

00:21:43:13 - 00:21:47:20 So yeah, I think that was quite a good way of encapsulating

00:21:48:19 - 00:21:52:02 that particular one, particular way of

00:21:53:07 - 00:21:55:10 dealing with acquired impairment,

00:21:55:21 - 00:21:58:06 particularly when, particularly when you know your figure

00:21:58:14 - 00:22:03:17 is extremely good at something physical, the thing has to stop completely.

00:22:03:18 - 00:22:06:22 So, yeah, I wish I wouldn't know about it.

00:22:08:20 - 00:22:10:17 I did.

00:22:10:17 - 00:22:11:19
I wouldn't say I thought about it

00:22:11:19 - 00:22:15:18 immediately, but I think it be, and I think that opens it up to a sequel.

00:22:15:18 - 00:22:20:14

Actually, that will can potentially be absolutely completely differently,

00:22:20:18 - 00:22:23:17 a completely different person and complete the experience

00:22:24:04 - 00:22:26:16 so that it becomes about the only time.

00:22:26:20 - 00:22:31:06

And you put that into so many scenarios, you know, just into the workplace

00:22:31:06 - 00:22:33:13 and you probably come up with the most hideous monster whatsoever.

00:22:33:24 - 00:22:38:12 But so, yeah, I think with authority recommended, I wouldn't we?

00:22:39:02 - 00:22:40:10 Yeah. Yes, I would.

00:22:42:07 - 00:22:44:19 So coming onto the year,

00:22:45:18 - 00:22:47:24 tell us your year, Alison.

00:22:50:23 - 00:22:52:00 Miracle go first.

00:22:52:00 - 00:22:53:02 I'm not ready.

00:22:53:10 - 00:22:55:16 Fuck me, right, you go first.

00:22:55:23 - 00:22:58:09 Some disability films you've seen that you feel really good

00:22:58:09 - 00:23:01:01 that we haven't talked about particularly well.

00:23:01:02 - 00:23:02:09 I didn't go down that route, Paul.

00:23:02:09 - 00:23:04:07 I went down the route of the most

00:23:04:07 - 00:23:07:01 memorable disability film that has scarred me this year,

00:23:08:02 - 00:23:12:00 and that would be the best summer ever, which I don't know if we actually did.

00:23:12:00 - 00:23:14:13 We did. We talk a lot, so I'm not sure.

00:23:15:05 - 00:23:17:14 But it's it's a musical

00:23:18:15 - 00:23:20:19 about a school,

00:23:21:04 - 00:23:23:22 but it would probably call it self inclusive.

00:23:24:04 - 00:23:26:11 I'm not entirely convinced by that narrative.

00:23:27:17 - 00:23:29:17 And it's it was. It was.

00:23:29:17 - 00:23:35:09
It was an experience that you put me onto and that I will never forgive you for.

00:23:36:17 - 00:23:37:06 Tell us a

00:23:37:06 - 00:23:39:16 bit more about how boys scarred you

00:23:41:02 - 00:23:42:16 because, well, one

00:23:42:16 - 00:23:45:10 was the songs and the songs were the singing was.

00:23:45:18 - 00:23:48:20 And I'm somebody who likes musicals, so you know,

00:23:48:22 - 00:23:53:00 it really affected my

my position of enjoying musicals.

00:23:53:08 - 00:23:56:05
I also, I have a problem with this with with stories

00:23:56:05 - 00:23:59:07 that present this idealized,

00:23:59:23 - 00:24:03:07 utopian vision of of a wonderful world

00:24:03:07 - 00:24:07:12 where certain people are supposedly included.

00:24:07:12 - 00:24:12:19 But actually on the beyond the surface level, the not and it's reinforcing many,

00:24:12:19 - 00:24:16:21 many traits of exclusion and segregation, which I thought

00:24:17:02 - 00:24:19:18 this film did.

00:24:19:22 - 00:24:23:21 And and and I don't have a problem when, when, when

00:24:24:23 - 00:24:27:20 films are engaging on the on a topic of disability,

00:24:28:05 - 00:24:31:04 well, they're doing nothing to

00:24:31:04 - 00:24:35:06 think through the aspects and the challenges that need to be made

00:24:35:06 - 00:24:40:11 towards the conditions that present tell people in a precarious, violent,

00:24:40:14 - 00:24:43:08

marginalized and oppressed way.

00:24:44:05 - 00:24:47:14 It's really frustrating and it irritates me.

00:24:48:10 - 00:24:50:12 And that's why it was your impairment as well.

00:24:50:12 - 00:24:54:13 Was the main person, the main person, I guess the main person of my impairment.

00:24:54:13 - 00:24:57:24 And I would be fascinated know if that was her real voice of singing

00:24:57:24 - 00:25:02:00 because somebody was with the Red Lung respiratory issues.

00:25:02:00 - 00:25:05:00 I've never been able to sing for that long, ever.

00:25:05:15 - 00:25:09:06 So I'd be I'd be very interested to know how her vocal coach

00:25:09:06 - 00:25:12:13 because I could do those kind of breathing exercises myself.

00:25:14:07 - 00:25:17:24 Did did you review that Allison in Den Adobe

00:25:18:02 - 00:25:21:17 that this was the year in review on display arts online?

00:25:23:09 - 00:25:25:15 I'm pretty sure didn't.

00:25:26:12 - 00:25:27:19 Well, you must get it in 00:25:27:19 - 00:25:31:10 what is a truly unique experience.

00:25:32:06 - 00:25:35:21 What's the title of the best summer ever?

00:25:36:06 - 00:25:39:14 Oh, I just ring a bell.

00:25:39:14 - 00:25:40:10 He blanked out.

00:25:40:10 - 00:25:43:16 That's what it is, it's what sorry, you've blanked out

00:25:43:18 - 00:25:46:18 and sound like, yeah,

00:25:46:18 - 00:25:48:14 I'm not a big fan of musicals.

00:25:48:14 - 00:25:51:10 Actually, there are a few that I really like, but

00:25:51:20 - 00:25:54:17 I'm not a big fan of musicals, so it would be something

00:25:54:17 - 00:25:58:07 I'd naturally gravitate towards.

00:25:58:15 - 00:26:00:04 So that traumatized Premiere Pro.

00:26:00:04 - 00:26:01:24 Was there any that you thought, Oh, that's pretty good?

00:26:01:24 - 00:26:03:20 Apart from the one we've just reviewed?

00:26:03:20 - 00:26:08:15 Oh well, and just in general, in terms of sound, I found very interesting. 00:26:08:15 - 00:26:12:00 one that sticks up particularly and it's not a disability film

00:26:12:22 - 00:26:15:02 is is a film called nine Days.

00:26:16:03 - 00:26:16:13 That was

00:26:16:13 - 00:26:19:06 that's probably in my top five of the year

00:26:19:16 - 00:26:22:05 that I've watched, which is

00:26:23:01 - 00:26:25:24 science fiction philosophical film about

00:26:28:13 - 00:26:30:01 the process

00:26:30:01 - 00:26:33:10 and the administration of of deciding,

00:26:33:20 - 00:26:36:06 uh, the kind of soul or

00:26:37:17 - 00:26:39:22 the justification given for allowing

00:26:39:22 - 00:26:42:20 a person to be born into existence into society.

00:26:43:04 - 00:26:46:14 And it follows the process of selecting a person

00:26:47:03 - 00:26:49:12 from it, from a group of people over the course

00:26:49:17 - 00:26:54:01 of a number of days, minded in order to determine whether they

00:26:54:06 - 00:26:57:17 who has the rightful place to to be in existence in society.

00:26:57:23 - 00:27:02:12 That film was probably one of my top five probably was in my top three really

00:27:03:14 - 00:27:06:07 films for the year I thought was a really memorable

00:27:06:07 - 00:27:09:10 film, and I still find myself thinking about it as well.

00:27:09:10 - 00:27:13:00 And you know, the the the themes that emerged through it

00:27:13:17 - 00:27:17:09 in terms of thinking about our existence, our position in society,

00:27:17:10 - 00:27:19:04 the the position that we have through each

00:27:19:04 - 00:27:22:23 other in the relational aspects of how we understand ourselves through

00:27:23:24 - 00:27:27:14 the material and the discursive aspects of society.

00:27:27:14 - 00:27:31:06 It was be really fascinating film and it has disability in it as well.

00:27:31:06 - 00:27:32:24 It has empowerment in it,

00:27:32:24 - 00:27:35:18 particularly among one of the living that they watch on.

00:27:35:19 - 00:27:37:16 Oh, of course. Yes, yes.

00:27:37:16 - 00:27:41:09 And I would say it was probably in my top

00:27:41:09 - 00:27:44:18 three for the year as well, called nine days,

00:27:45:23 - 00:27:50:02 which I thought was it was really very, very good.

00:27:50:08 - 00:27:53:02 And I think it was partly because I had no expectations of it.

00:27:53:02 - 00:27:55:08 I didn't particularly know what it was about.

00:27:55:08 - 00:27:59:15
I think what I did write up on, it didn't really capture

00:27:59:17 - 00:28:02:06 what it was about, and it was very, very good, very

00:28:03:24 - 00:28:06:20 thought provoking, intelligent, articulate

00:28:07:10 - 00:28:10:16 and and saying the right things, in my view

00:28:10:16 - 00:28:13:01 about our body.

00:28:13:17 - 00:28:17:04
To some extent,
it was all about disability in the sense

00:28:17:04 - 00:28:21:01 that it was about someone choosing who could live and who would be born 00:28:21:01 - 00:28:22:15 and who wouldn't be born.

00:28:22:15 - 00:28:26:22 And the whole narrative was about, you know, life's hard,

00:28:26:22 - 00:28:30:21 so you need to pick people who can deal with that.

00:28:31:10 - 00:28:34:24 I kind of very masculine, macho,

00:28:35:11 - 00:28:39:01 individualistic, egotistical kind of person.

00:28:39:01 - 00:28:42:23 But of course, following on from that, if that's all you allow,

00:28:43:05 - 00:28:47:05 you construct a society in the image,

00:28:47:11 - 00:28:51:07 which then reinforces it into a kind of spiral abyss of

00:28:51:21 - 00:28:56:16 of of aggression, violence, despair and nihilism to some extent.

00:28:56:16 - 00:29:00:04 And I did think of that was that again, I'd agree.

00:29:00:04 - 00:29:03:07
I think that was one of the top three films of the year.

00:29:03:15 - 00:29:06:00
I think there's a really great bit in the film where

00:29:06:12 - 00:29:09:20

if we want to take note, from my point of view,

00:29:10:04 - 00:29:13:24 there's a great bit where you see the frustration of of the administrator

00:29:15:04 - 00:29:18:07 when you know, when he thinks about he wants to send

00:29:18:20 - 00:29:22:02 flowers and people who are going to contribute towards the, you know,

00:29:22:04 - 00:29:27:18 the collective existence of of people having hope and an opportunity and giving.

00:29:28:01 - 00:29:33:03 And he's so angry and and bitter about the way in which other

00:29:33:03 - 00:29:37:08 administrations read if he doesn't know and doesn't acknowledge

00:29:38:12 - 00:29:39:11 it has never met.

00:29:39:11 - 00:29:40:11 And yet they are sending

00:29:40:11 - 00:29:42:14 and they're choosing people who are creating this, this, this, this

00:29:43:18 - 00:29:47:06 society of violence and anger and individualism

00:29:48:21 - 00:29:51:18 and ambivalence towards

00:29:51:18 - 00:29:55:06 the problems of contemporary society.

00:29:55:13 - 00:29:58:03 It's really it's really worthwhile watching if you haven't seen it.

00:29:59:02 - 00:30:00:24 So really? Absolutely.

00:30:00:24 - 00:30:03:14 I suppose I would say probably.

00:30:04:16 - 00:30:08:01 Uh, the best, uh, disability

00:30:08:09 - 00:30:13:10 related film I saw of the year is probably a Korean

00:30:13:10 - 00:30:19:01 film called Midnight, which is about a

00:30:19:01 - 00:30:23:01 deaf mother and daughter who

00:30:24:15 - 00:30:26:16 come across a serial killer.

00:30:27:08 - 00:30:30:06 And it's all it's all over one evening,

00:30:31:04 - 00:30:34:05 if I remember rightly, and it's their relationship with them

00:30:34:05 - 00:30:37:17 and then a policeman whose daughter is kidnaped as well.

00:30:38:04 - 00:30:40:01 And I thought it was.

00:30:40:01 - 00:30:42:00 It's a really good.

00:30:42:00 - 00:30:43:07 It's really well done.

00:30:43:07 - 00:30:43:20

You know,

00:30:43:20 - 00:30:48:02 it uses a lot of the clichés of of kind of Daphne's deafness and whatever.

00:30:48:02 - 00:30:51:12 And I wouldn't expect to do anything other than that, particularly

00:30:51:23 - 00:30:55:02 in kind of cultures that aren't as progressive to some extent as ask.

00:30:55:05 - 00:30:58:09 But having said, they did do it very well.

00:30:59:09 - 00:31:01:20 It utilized

00:31:01:20 - 00:31:04:00 deafness within the narrative very well,

00:31:04:08 - 00:31:08:06 and it had a nice pace and thrust to it.

00:31:08:07 - 00:31:11:02 So I think I would recommend.

00:31:11:04 - 00:31:15:05
I think the mother in it was was deaf in real life, but that the main actress

00:31:15:05 - 00:31:19:04 was and and it's about the serial killer who

00:31:19:23 - 00:31:23:24 who is a psychopath, obviously, which again is about impairment itself.

00:31:23:24 - 00:31:28:22 But he he tries, he they witness him.

00:31:29:07 - 00:31:32:23
And so then it becomes a kind of chase in the hunt and there's bits

00:31:32:23 - 00:31:36:20 where he catches them, the police catch him and how that all evolves.

00:31:36:20 - 00:31:42:20 And the deafness which which highlighted the kind of some sense of feeling excluded

00:31:43:24 - 00:31:47:01 from hearing saw in it did that very well.

00:31:47:08 - 00:31:49:22 And there's a couple of bits near the end that work very well

00:31:50:11 - 00:31:54:11 in exploring and showing how you can manipulate

00:31:55:06 - 00:31:57:11 a non deaf hearing audience

00:31:57:19 - 00:32:02:07 into getting it to perceive deafness in a particular way.

00:32:02:08 - 00:32:04:03 It's all part of the narrative.

00:32:04:03 - 00:32:07:06 So I would recommend midnights.

00:32:07:20 - 00:32:10:03 It's a Korean film of 2001,

00:32:10:12 - 00:32:13:07 but I must admit I think quite a lot of disability films.

00:32:13:07 - 00:32:16:19
I think we did reveal Riders of Justice, which I think

00:32:16:19 - 00:32:19:10 was probably the best European film about,

00:32:20:17 - 00:32:24:12 had had some disabled characters in which was Mads Mikkelsen,

00:32:25:02 - 00:32:29:18 which I thought was very good, which was much better than his other one

00:32:29:18 - 00:32:33:16 called drug that I think got the best foreign film Oscar

00:32:34:03 - 00:32:37:21 about someone who was an alcoholic, for example.

00:32:38:08 - 00:32:41:10 And then a couple of other interesting ones I have seen

00:32:41:21 - 00:32:46:12 there was an Irish Polish film called I Never Cry, which was about poverty

00:32:46:12 - 00:32:50:02 in Poland and immigrant workers in Ireland,

00:32:50:23 - 00:32:53:00 and this main character's

00:32:53:14 - 00:32:57:18 father gets killed in Ireland on a on a shipyard.

00:32:58:10 - 00:33:01:19 But the brother in is is has cerebral palsy,

00:33:01:19 - 00:33:05:09
I think,
and about all the kind of relationships.

00:33:05:19 - 00:33:09:17 But then the other thing, the other thing I've seen a couple of Chinese films 00:33:10:06 - 00:33:12:11 this year for various reasons.

00:33:12:11 - 00:33:15:20 I've watched quite a lot of Chinese films, particularly Chinese propaganda films,

00:33:16:09 - 00:33:20:12 which are usually very big budget and very entertaining.

00:33:21:03 - 00:33:24:07 But one I saw was about a child

00:33:24:07 - 00:33:27:17 with OCD who is bought.

00:33:27:17 - 00:33:29:00 It grows up.

00:33:29:00 - 00:33:33:19
His parents are OCD
and it's about having OCD slash autism

00:33:34:04 - 00:33:38:18 and how he develops a relationship with with a young woman.

00:33:39:05 - 00:33:41:06 He is the very opposite of that.

00:33:41:20 - 00:33:45:21 And that's called Warm Hug, which is a which is a China film,

00:33:45:21 - 00:33:49:07 which I'm sure you can get if you look for it, which which I did.

00:33:49:13 - 00:33:51:10 And again, they're not. They're not.

00:33:51:10 - 00:33:52:17 It's Chinese films.

00:33:52:17 - 00:33:54:24 They don't groundbreaking in relation to empowerment,

00:33:55:08 - 00:33:59:10 but they do try and they usually very amusing and very big budget,

00:34:00:23 - 00:34:02:18 which I did quite quite,

00:34:02:18 - 00:34:06:02 which I think one, I suppose the best known disbelief in my soul,

00:34:06:16 - 00:34:10:10 although there is a briefing glimpse of it is limbo,

00:34:10:20 - 00:34:14:09 which is a fairly new kind of Scottish film about immigrants

00:34:15:13 - 00:34:20:03 awaiting no people seeking asylum, waiting for their appeals to be heard.

00:34:20:15 - 00:34:23:08 And it's about four or five of them living in a

00:34:23:21 - 00:34:26:19 in a in a house on some godforsaken

00:34:26:19 - 00:34:30:00 island in Scotland awaiting their appeals.

00:34:30:00 - 00:34:34:02 And that I'd say that was in my top three films of the year.

00:34:34:02 - 00:34:38:22
If not, the top film was this film called
Limbo because they're in limbo waiting,

00:34:38:24 - 00:34:42:09 you know, will they be allowed to stay or will they be deported?

00:34:42:23 - 00:34:44:10 It's very minimalistic.

00:34:44:10 - 00:34:48:24 It reminds me of the Roy Andersson films that we've looked at earlier in the year,

00:34:50:15 - 00:34:53:04 and so I would I would recommend limbo.

00:34:54:01 - 00:34:55:07 Alison.

00:34:56:06 - 00:34:58:05 And at first, I sort of

00:34:58:05 - 00:35:00:17 thought I would save many

00:35:01:08 - 00:35:02:22 disability soldiers

00:35:02:22 - 00:35:06:01 who were this year, but I have seen a few actually.

00:35:06:02 - 00:35:11:07 And clearly the worst for you surprised to hear as say,

00:35:11:09 - 00:35:15:21 this is not about it is serious for a particular tough guy.

00:35:15:21 - 00:35:18:19 Give it no more rest, but

00:35:20:13 - 00:35:21:24 one that really struck me

00:35:21:24 - 00:35:25:08 and said, This is the father

00:35:25:08 - 00:35:29:09 with Anthony Hopkins about Olivia Colman.

00:35:30:10 - 00:35:31:14

It's about dementia.

00:35:31:14 - 00:35:33:23 And I thought it was an extraordinary skill,

00:35:35:04 - 00:35:38:16 just really well done for me.

00:35:38:23 - 00:35:43:03
The strength of it was that as far as the woman could get

00:35:44:10 - 00:35:46:21 any idea of the experience, how

00:35:47:24 - 00:35:51:19 of how that feels, I think this will probably achieve

00:35:51:20 - 00:35:55:14 the same time almost as an reCAPTCHA

00:35:55:14 - 00:35:59:08 supernova came out, which I didn't like quite so much, actually,

00:36:00:20 - 00:36:01:14 which was also

00:36:01:14 - 00:36:04:16 about somebody getting early dementia

00:36:04:16 - 00:36:08:07 and my daughter saw it at the same time and we talked about it.

00:36:08:11 - 00:36:13:04 So I watched it again, and I revise my opinion on it of it.

00:36:13:05 - 00:36:16:21 I think I didn't like it at first because it wasn't it?

00:36:16:21 - 00:36:20:08 It felt a bit more clichéd than the father,

00:36:20:08 - 00:36:23:23 but I think it was a really good depiction of of

00:36:24:24 - 00:36:27:22 again, of the experience of somebody

00:36:28:00 - 00:36:30:13 with early onset dementia and

00:36:31:18 - 00:36:34:07 that that carer and the people around them.

00:36:34:07 - 00:36:36:21 So I thought those two were really good.

00:36:36:21 - 00:36:39:11 But I have to say, apart from the father,

00:36:40:11 - 00:36:44:10 my favorite films this year being really not

00:36:45:13 - 00:36:47:18 much to do with disability.

00:36:47:18 - 00:36:51:03 And it's quite a big list of those which should include Annette

00:36:52:08 - 00:36:54:06 bitchy memo

00:36:54:09 - 00:36:57:17 that was just a couple of weeks ago.

00:36:57:17 - 00:37:00:04 Sort of sole

00:37:00:04 - 00:37:02:20 memorial with Tilda Swinton

00:37:02:20 - 00:37:04:21 is not just about that.

00:37:06:03 - 00:37:07:09 Tell me about Annette.

00:37:07:09 - 00:37:11:20 I'm intrigued as to why you liked Annette, because I I couldn't bear it.

00:37:12:11 - 00:37:15:01 Oh, really? I gave up.

00:37:15:02 - 00:37:16:23 I just don't know.

00:37:16:23 - 00:37:19:03 I find Adam Driver very difficult.

00:37:19:19 - 00:37:23:08 I just, you know, I could say it was art,

00:37:23:08 - 00:37:27:03 but it was kind of like, I just I may have been how I was feeling.

00:37:27:03 - 00:37:28:03 So why did you love it?

00:37:28:03 - 00:37:30:22 Because I hated it and I gave up.

00:37:31:21 - 00:37:32:16 I liked it.

00:37:32:16 - 00:37:33:18 Partly,

00:37:34:05 - 00:37:38:03 I think a lot of people didn't like it because it was so-called quirky things.

00:37:38:08 - 00:37:42:06 You know, sparks with this invention.

00:37:43:02 - 00:37:46:21
I like to call it
because of the use of the puppet,

00:37:46:21 - 00:37:52:18 and I thought I told a very clever story about how we objectify children.

00:37:53:19 - 00:37:55:14 And I don't think I don't

00:37:55:14 - 00:37:58:12 think that really gets covered, actually, for funnily enough.

00:37:58:21 - 00:38:00:00 I see.

00:38:00:00 - 00:38:03:14 It's nothing like the same sort of film, but I see parallels with

00:38:04:04 - 00:38:06:19 with my mom in that regard.

00:38:08:11 - 00:38:10:12 I just I like the visual.

00:38:10:12 - 00:38:12:22 The visuals of it was stunning.

00:38:12:22 - 00:38:13:19 I do.

00:38:13:19 - 00:38:16:23 I have a very soft spot for Adam Driver.

00:38:16:24 - 00:38:19:17 I like almost everything.

00:38:19:17 - 00:38:22:17 House of Gucci, maybe not so much,

00:38:22:17 - 00:38:25:23 but the artist thought it was really clever.

00:38:27:03 - 00:38:30:13 It was, and I can't imagine,

00:38:30:13 - 00:38:37:05

all comfortable as well, which which I felt that was quite,

00:38:38:05 - 00:38:41:23 as, you know, made me feel uncomfortable in a good way.

00:38:42:03 - 00:38:45:17 The fact is his humor, his attitude towards

00:38:46:17 - 00:38:48:19 towards the love interest,

00:38:48:19 - 00:38:50:24 his wife and everything both.

00:38:51:19 - 00:38:54:04 It's mainly the objectification of the child.

00:38:54:07 - 00:38:59:17 So yeah, I just found all the, you know, the kind of the visuals,

00:38:59:17 - 00:39:02:03 the music and everything just really did it for me.

00:39:02:17 - 00:39:04:05 I'll call you a sparks fan

00:39:04:05 - 00:39:08:02 because I think one of the most disappointing to me is not particularly.

00:39:08:02 - 00:39:12:21
But I did watch the documentary and
I thought the documentary was was great.

00:39:12:21 - 00:39:14:20 I really liked.

00:39:14:20 - 00:39:15:10 I really liked it.

00:39:15:10 - 00:39:17:22

But then he's he's an excellent filmmaker.

00:39:18:10 - 00:39:18:19 What's your

00:39:18:19 - 00:39:22:21 the film saying, if this is true, which I also loved last night in Soho?

00:39:23:16 - 00:39:26:01 Oh yeah, oh yeah, I did that, but wasn't on the list.

00:39:26:16 - 00:39:28:08 I just had to be all your.

00:39:28:08 - 00:39:32:03
I thought that was, and I know that a lot of people disliked that one as well.

00:39:32:09 - 00:39:36:06 Well, let me stop actually this one for last week, which is.

00:39:36:14 - 00:39:38:08 Come on, come on. And

00:39:39:09 - 00:39:40:22 I thought that was extraordinary.

00:39:40:22 - 00:39:42:21 Just just beautiful.

00:39:42:21 - 00:39:43:23 Just a beautiful film.

00:39:43:23 - 00:39:45:15 And I can't even tell you why.

00:39:45:15 - 00:39:49:21 Apart from what I do like Phenix as well, I love to Joker,

00:39:49:21 - 00:39:52:08 which again is not a popular view,

00:39:53:17 - 00:39:56:00

but I just.

00:39:56:00 - 00:39:59:05 And the child to do it was extraordinary,

00:39:59:05 - 00:40:02:03 it felt very true to

00:40:04:13 - 00:40:08:05 to to the depiction of childhood that it was trying to this

00:40:08:05 - 00:40:11:03 and it did remind me a lot of my old granddaughter,

00:40:11:18 - 00:40:14:03 even though it was a boy who was in the role

00:40:14:03 - 00:40:15:18 and that was all in black and white.

00:40:15:18 - 00:40:17:17 So that was very good.

00:40:17:17 - 00:40:19:20 Memoria with Tilda Swinton,

00:40:20:16 - 00:40:23:14 a first was disappointed, but it certainly stayed with me.

00:40:24:05 - 00:40:26:15 Um, it's

00:40:26:15 - 00:40:29:04 yeah, I just thought, I'm not sure what I've just watched.

00:40:30:17 - 00:40:34:06

I want to watch it again because it just keeps coming back to me.

00:40:34:06 - 00:40:38:12 So yeah, it's very fascinating that you say that because I 00:40:38:23 - 00:40:42:02 I watched the Sparks documentary and I really didn't like it.

00:40:43:15 - 00:40:44:15 I thought.

00:40:44:15 - 00:40:48:00 And then equally, because of that, I watched last night in Soho

00:40:48:12 - 00:40:51:10 by the same director, and I really didn't like that either.

00:40:51:14 - 00:40:54:17 So really, I just couldn't bear either of them.

00:40:55:06 - 00:40:58:09
I did sit through this box thing because that's my age group.

00:40:58:09 - 00:41:00:10 I remember them, you know,

00:41:00:10 - 00:41:03:05 because I'm old, I'm nearly sick, I remember them as well.

00:41:04:07 - 00:41:06:22 And so I didn't feel like last night in Soho,

00:41:08:14 - 00:41:11:16 I suppose I didn't think it had

00:41:11:23 - 00:41:15:22 anything to say other than that .

00:41:15:22 - 00:41:19:16 I kind of felt fairly clichéd aspect about women

00:41:20:08 - 00:41:23:00 I swore, which 00:41:23:00 - 00:41:26:02 I think it was like, Oh, you know, some of them were treated badly.

00:41:26:02 - 00:41:30:06 And, you know, and I just thought it needed a lot more depth.

00:41:30:06 - 00:41:31:02 It didn't have that.

00:41:31:02 - 00:41:32:23
I think we got carried away on the horror.

00:41:32:23 - 00:41:34:20 I think it needed the horror

00:41:35:24 - 00:41:37:06 in the sense to

00:41:37:06 - 00:41:40:01 give it that element of fear.

00:41:40:08 - 00:41:42:09
I think it was it would have been better

00:41:42:18 - 00:41:46:06 without all of the the ghosts of the dead men.

00:41:46:11 - 00:41:48:16

And it was obvious that it was the ghost of the dead man.

00:41:48:16 - 00:41:51:03 I thought that was quite clear from the beginning.

00:41:51:03 - 00:41:54:02 And so I just

00:41:54:04 - 00:41:56:05 because I've waited a long time to see it

00:41:56:05 - 00:41:59:23 and I can write bookmarked

one to be thing.

00:41:59:23 - 00:42:04:00 And then I was because I didn't like the spark still committed by him.

00:42:04:07 - 00:42:08:03 You know, had some nice ideas I didn't like, particularly the actors.

00:42:08:03 - 00:42:12:15 Although I loved the main lead in the chess game or whatever

00:42:12:15 - 00:42:14:19 it was called, I thought she was very good in that

00:42:14:19 - 00:42:17:18
I didn't like the mixing of times, particularly.

00:42:17:18 - 00:42:20:11 I didn't think that people public OK.

00:42:20:17 - 00:42:21:08 I mean,

00:42:22:09 - 00:42:25:09 I just realized that I almost judge goes by

00:42:26:05 - 00:42:30:00 one of the one of the symptoms of my impairment,

00:42:30:22 - 00:42:35:09 and that's whether I'd get through a film without going to the loo.

00:42:35:24 - 00:42:39:13 And I was seriously worried that I was

00:42:40:13 - 00:42:42:22 about incontinence because I couldn't I couldn't 00:42:43:17 - 00:42:45:11 bring myself to go to the toilet in that.

00:42:45:11 - 00:42:49:03 So I just found the journey I could.

00:42:49:05 - 00:42:52:21 I can appreciate what you saved for the journey

00:42:52:21 - 00:42:55:11 and the music and the costumes.

00:42:56:03 - 00:42:58:15 And I actually really like the time walking.

00:42:59:17 - 00:43:00:02 Yeah.

00:43:00:02 - 00:43:01:01 And I love

00:43:01:15 - 00:43:03:02 the older woman

00:43:03:10 - 00:43:04:13 on the brakes.

00:43:04:22 - 00:43:07:12 Diana Rigg Yeah, yeah, yeah.

00:43:07:12 - 00:43:10:07 Diana Rigg And that's the last performance in the film.

00:43:10:21 - 00:43:14:06
I don't just think
it's such a great choice to to

00:43:15:01 - 00:43:17:20 choose a character like that,

00:43:18:24 - 00:43:20:23 as she laughs as your last performance.

00:43:20:23 - 00:43:24:13

So, yeah, but he can't do the man actually is.

00:43:24:13 - 00:43:28:23 You can probably tell, given that it was also him who did Baby Driver

00:43:28:23 - 00:43:33:20 a few years ago, which I think is one of the best disability films ever.

00:43:34:15 - 00:43:38:05
I like Baby Driver
and I do generally like him as a director,

00:43:38:05 - 00:43:40:04 but I think I suppose to some extent

00:43:40:04 - 00:43:43:13
I thought the men work like cliched in a way that we can do.

00:43:44:01 - 00:43:48:01 They were all they were all a kind of cliche of.

00:43:49:10 - 00:43:52:14 Masculinity and over sexualization,

00:43:52:14 - 00:43:55:21 and I think that's what that's what I check.

00:43:56:02 - 00:43:57:20 I'll take that. Yeah.

00:43:57:20 - 00:44:00:03 And I suppose my or my judge of the film

00:44:00:15 - 00:44:02:23 is, do I think, Oh God, this is so long?

00:44:03:12 - 00:44:06:16 And if I ever start thinking, Oh God, this is so long to me,

00:44:06:16 - 00:44:10:12

that's an indication of a fire, particularly if it isn't that long.

00:44:10:21 - 00:44:11:21 You know,

00:44:11:21 - 00:44:16:13 and that's what I thought about is it just just seemed to go on and on forever.

00:44:16:13 - 00:44:18:19 So which which was which was fascinating.

00:44:18:24 - 00:44:22:04 So you if you look, I take my mom, and if you haven't seen it already,

00:44:22:06 - 00:44:24:23 this huge shot, I'm going to watch it tomorrow. So.

00:44:25:05 - 00:44:26:04 Oh yeah.

00:44:26:04 - 00:44:28:23 I spoke to wonderful, but but that's the thing.

00:44:29:08 - 00:44:31:19 You know, I've got three films that can go by the wisdom.

00:44:31:19 - 00:44:33:00 You think that's excellent.

00:44:33:00 - 00:44:35:23 Whereas I can watch a ten minute short and it just feels like it's dragging

00:44:35:23 - 00:44:36:12 on forever,

00:44:37:12 - 00:44:39:10 which is which is just bizarre.

00:44:39:10 - 00:44:40:07 So, yeah, 00:44:40:07 - 00:44:43:21 because James Bond is quite long, we'll say, but I didn't feel it at all.

00:44:44:08 - 00:44:47:14
I thought James Bond wasn't half as bad as people were saying.

00:44:47:14 - 00:44:50:02 I thought it was a James Bond film upsetting.

00:44:50:02 - 00:44:52:03 Yes, absolutely. Absolutely.

00:44:52:04 - 00:44:56:04
I think it was still problematic in some areas, but it was one of the best.

00:44:56:11 - 00:44:58:21 It was the best of the Daniel Craig, that's for sure.

00:44:58:22 - 00:45:01:15 So, yeah, yeah, yeah.

00:45:01:15 - 00:45:05:03
I think one of the one of a couple of the other films I would recommend,

00:45:05:18 - 00:45:08:02 I've just seen a couple of Norwegian films, one

00:45:08:04 - 00:45:10:17 called Ninja Baby

00:45:11:03 - 00:45:12:05 . Have you seen it?

00:45:12:05 - 00:45:15:14 No. Well, I got that because it's one

00:45:15:14 - 00:45:19:03 the best comedy, all of the kind of European film awards. 00:45:19:21 - 00:45:22:03 So I thought that might mean it's about a young woman

00:45:22:03 - 00:45:26:05 who who discovers that she's six months pregnant,

00:45:27:06 - 00:45:28:18 doesn't want the child,

00:45:28:18 - 00:45:33:04 and it's her kind of going through that and the relationships.

00:45:33:04 - 00:45:35:10 And it is quite funny and it is going good.

00:45:35:10 - 00:45:38:19 And I think it's got quite a lot to say about,

00:45:39:05 - 00:45:43:09 you know, women not wanting to have children, and that's fine and kind of

00:45:43:20 - 00:45:46:20 equalizing that as a kind of lifestyle, which I thought was

00:45:47:14 - 00:45:50:08 which I thought was very interesting and it had to be Norwegian

00:45:50:08 - 00:45:52:02 and then another Norwegian film.

00:45:52:02 - 00:45:54:03 So I would recommend Ninja Baby.

00:45:54:16 - 00:45:59:22 But equally, the trip, which is a Naomi Rapace film

00:46:00:10 - 00:46:02:22

and it's about this couple who go to a cabin in the woods

00:46:03:11 - 00:46:06:07 and unbeknownst to each other, they both plan to kill one another.

00:46:08:12 - 00:46:11:08 I just think that it was it was quite good,

00:46:11:08 - 00:46:16:07 and I've seen a couple of films with very insular set,

00:46:16:07 - 00:46:18:09 so this was mainly around as a bit before

00:46:18:09 - 00:46:21:01 and a bit after, obviously, but it's mainly set within the cabin.

00:46:21:09 - 00:46:25:23 And for a pure, pure kind of American film, there's a film called Cop Shop,

00:46:26:12 - 00:46:28:15 which is about a couple of people get arrested

00:46:28:17 - 00:46:32:05 and one's trying to kill the other and then people try and come in.

00:46:32:05 - 00:46:35:08 It's very much like assault on Precinct 13,

00:46:35:21 - 00:46:38:06 which if anybody remembers that from the seventies,

00:46:39:03 - 00:46:44:05 which which I would, which I would thoroughly enjoyed that cop shop, is it?

00:46:44:05 - 00:46:46:04

It does what it says on the tin.

00:46:46:04 - 00:46:48:21 It's not great art, but it does that very well.

00:46:49:05 - 00:46:50:09 And equally,

00:46:51:21 - 00:46:54:02 pig, which

00:46:54:02 - 00:46:57:23 was Nicholas Cage's new film, which is not new film

00:46:57:24 - 00:46:59:22 the film out this year, and I've always been

00:46:59:22 - 00:47:03:15 a big fan of Nicolas Cage, and it was it was very good

00:47:04:03 - 00:47:06:20 pig, and I'd recommend a French film called

00:47:06:20 - 00:47:10:15 How I became a Superhero because we're so used to seeing

00:47:10:15 - 00:47:13:22 American superhero movies, which I don't particularly like.

00:47:14:10 - 00:47:17:19 And so seeing a French one,

00:47:17:19 - 00:47:20:05 which was a little bit different, a little bit quirky,

00:47:20:16 - 00:47:23:05 I really did enjoy that, actually.

00:47:23:18 - 00:47:25:03

Yeah, yeah.

00:47:25:09 - 00:47:26:22 A thank you.

00:47:26:22 - 00:47:29:11 I've got a bit of watching this now.

00:47:30:13 - 00:47:36:13 one thing that we can't leave out of this because it is so good and so necessary.

00:47:37:03 - 00:47:41:03 Although it's not a long film, the show is essential, of course,

00:47:41:20 - 00:47:43:06 which which I have reviewed,

00:47:44:05 - 00:47:46:09 and it's only 15 minutes long.

00:47:47:13 - 00:47:50:18 It's broken hearts for the DWP

00:47:51:04 - 00:47:53:21 and just such an important film.

00:47:55:09 - 00:47:56:10 Excellent.

00:47:56:13 - 00:48:00:19
Which you can get
you reviewed on disability arts online,

00:48:00:19 - 00:48:03:06 if you people want you to look up, can you actually get it?

00:48:03:21 - 00:48:06:13 I wasn't aware that it was released yet,

00:48:07:11 - 00:48:09:18 but your review is on display arts online.

00:48:10:04 - 00:48:12:07 Oh yeah. Oh yes, sorry. 00:48:12:07 - 00:48:15:12 I'm just telling people where they can go to get, yeah, I know.

00:48:15:12 - 00:48:18:11
I don't know that there was an event the other night,

00:48:18:14 - 00:48:23:01 whether that's been available, and I'll be worth checking out,

00:48:24:01 - 00:48:26:09 I suppose talking.

00:48:26:13 - 00:48:30:02 We'll come to you in a minute mirror when I when I watch it,

00:48:30:12 - 00:48:33:09 I think I was very disappointed by

00:48:34:09 - 00:48:37:08 the power of the dog is far too long.

00:48:37:17 - 00:48:38:00 Yeah.

00:48:38:00 - 00:48:42:16 Has got a good, powerful payoff, but it just takes far too long.

00:48:43:06 - 00:48:45:23 The last duel, I thought, was fascinating,

00:48:45:23 - 00:48:49:19 which is which is kind of medieval French thing about right.

00:48:51:09 - 00:48:53:16 It told from three different points of view.

00:48:53:16 - 00:48:55:21 There's a cracking film hidden in that. 00:48:56:10 - 00:48:58:17 It's just unfortunate that they've buried it

00:48:59:00 - 00:49:02:20 in this multiple perspectives kind of thing.

00:49:03:20 - 00:49:07:05
We've spoken about
and we've spoken about last Benedetta Day,

00:49:07:05 - 00:49:09:22 which again, is kind of another medieval none thing.

00:49:10:15 - 00:49:14:13 It's just far too much sex in it for it to be good and to some extent.

00:49:15:03 - 00:49:20:02 But as it's Christmas, I'd say there is a couple of Christmas films I'd recommend,

00:49:20:20 - 00:49:23:22 and that's a Brazilian film called Just Another Christmas

00:49:24:11 - 00:49:26:21 , and it's the story of a person.

00:49:26:22 - 00:49:30:10 It basically wakes up every Christmas Day,

00:49:30:18 - 00:49:33:11 and he has no recollection of the previous year.

00:49:34:07 - 00:49:39:00 And every every days is the year is gone, and he has no recollection of it.

00:49:39:00 - 00:49:42:13 But he's lived it and it's about how he's changed and whatever.

00:49:42:22 - 00:49:44:09

And I did enjoy that.

00:49:44:09 - 00:49:48:15
It was a Brazilian film night and it's a number one Brazilian comedian.

00:49:48:20 - 00:49:52:13 I have no idea he is, obviously, and but they've just

00:49:52:13 - 00:49:56:13 they're remaking it now in in the English language.

00:49:56:15 - 00:50:00:08
So but I'd say, if you like that kind of thing, check out the original.

00:50:00:17 - 00:50:04:03
But then the best Christmas film I would say at the moment

00:50:04:14 - 00:50:10:01 is an Argentinean film called La Notmyname Magica, which is down on IMDb

00:50:10:01 - 00:50:15:02 as Bad Christmas, and it's a bad guy who's going to rob a couple

00:50:16:07 - 00:50:18:21 and then it all just gets a bit out of hand

00:50:18:21 - 00:50:21:03 and he becomes involved in the family.

00:50:21:03 - 00:50:24:12 The daughter, who is very quiet, very

00:50:25:22 - 00:50:28:03 kind of inward looking.

00:50:28:17 - 00:50:33:22 She thinks this guy is Santa Claus, and then he evolves in that. 00:50:33:22 - 00:50:36:05 And it's a comedy, but it's very serious.

00:50:36:18 - 00:50:40:12 There's there's quite a kind of element about in the view of art,

00:50:40:23 - 00:50:44:08 of masculinity, of whole lot of things that so

00:50:44:10 - 00:50:47:06
I would say, if you're going to watch one Christmas film,

00:50:47:16 - 00:50:51:21 try and get the Argentinian film again, not a magical bad Christmas.

00:50:52:02 - 00:50:55:19 No, that's Mila genetiche Bilbo.

00:50:57:22 - 00:50:59:00 I do know it's available

00:50:59:00 - 00:51:01:22 by turning that off. Yes.

00:51:02:12 - 00:51:04:16 But having said that, just because I haven't looked,

00:51:04:16 - 00:51:06:12 I don't think it's on Amazon.

00:51:06:12 - 00:51:09:02 It may be on on Netflix, but

00:51:10:11 - 00:51:11:15 either way, I love

00:51:11:15 - 00:51:13:22 the dog filled so with you on that one.

00:51:14:07 - 00:51:17:19 Well, it has a really good payoff power of the dog. 00:51:18:00 - 00:51:20:13 And I liked it at the end,

00:51:21:05 - 00:51:23:24 but I it just took too long to get there.

00:51:24:03 - 00:51:27:17 And it's that whole thing about it felt like it went on for an attorney

00:51:27:19 - 00:51:30:18 is quite long, but it fell even longer.

00:51:30:18 - 00:51:34:10

And I thought that was a shame because it just needed a little bit more

00:51:34:19 - 00:51:38:06 early speed up to get there.

00:51:38:09 - 00:51:40:00 But I can see why it's

00:51:40:00 - 00:51:42:15 going to sweep the board of all the awards

00:51:43:21 - 00:51:46:14 now of the dogs, so.

00:51:48:01 - 00:51:49:04 Mirror.

00:51:49:24 - 00:51:51:10 No, I don't want anything else out of it.

00:51:51:10 - 00:51:55:10
I think you've both given me a list of films to watch over my winter holidays,

00:51:55:10 - 00:52:00:12 I'm happy with the one thing I did forget to say, Phil, I really enjoyed which we

00:52:02:18 - 00:52:05:10 reviewed and I went back to watch

00:52:05:10 - 00:52:09:05 just after after we had our review was the

00:52:09:18 - 00:52:12:03 it was a cold end and hadn't

00:52:12:14 - 00:52:15:03 the Indian film about it

00:52:15:04 - 00:52:18:03 in the kind of Hitchcock style thriller

00:52:18:03 - 00:52:20:16 about a person with a visual impairment

00:52:21:21 - 00:52:23:21 who is at a scene of a crime

00:52:24:03 - 00:52:27:11 when it commences and then is in a game of cat and mouse.

00:52:27:11 - 00:52:31:18
I I remember watching the film, which reviewed and I thoroughly enjoyed as well.

00:52:32:10 - 00:52:35:01 The other thing is, we'll give a shout out to my favorite

00:52:35:01 - 00:52:38:18 documentary of the year was the film.

00:52:38:19 - 00:52:40:22 Meanwhile, I tried the documentary film.

00:52:40:22 - 00:52:43:00 Meanwhile, on Earth, which explored

00:52:43:24 - 00:52:47:10 the process of death from various different aspects funeral

00:52:48:13 - 00:52:52:09 mode and so on, and I thought that was

00:52:52:09 - 00:52:56:20

a really fascinating film looking at those aspects of ordinariness.

00:52:57:02 - 00:53:00:18 You know, the mechanical substitute process that involves

00:53:01:02 - 00:53:03:19 and is centered around the concept

00:53:04:09 - 00:53:07:24 and the premise of death that was that was a really fascinating documentary

00:53:09:05 - 00:53:10:11 . And finally, I suppose I

00:53:10:11 - 00:53:13:11 would say looking to the future,

00:53:14:10 - 00:53:20:04 there is a couple of disability related films coming up.

00:53:20:18 - 00:53:24:14 There's a Chinese film called zero to Hero, which is about a Paralympian.

00:53:25:03 - 00:53:28:06 And again, I say check out some Chinese films

00:53:28:06 - 00:53:32:08 because they are fascinating on every level.

00:53:32:14 - 00:53:36:19 And equally, there's a Korean film called Just Say, Go See,

00:53:38:04 - 00:53:41:19 which again is about a young woman in a wheelchair, which might.

00:53:42:00 - 00:53:44:24 There's been a few Korean films about women this year. 00:53:45:19 - 00:53:49:21 And I can tell you a couple of others if you wanted to know Alison, particularly

00:53:50:15 - 00:53:54:08 if you want to do a little review number of space .

00:53:54:08 - 00:53:57:09 I can't remember one scoop, but I'll tell you later.

00:53:57:09 - 00:54:00:13 So but just say, look out for that 100.

00:54:00:19 - 00:54:04:01 But then equally, I think one of the big films in the new year,

00:54:04:20 - 00:54:07:05 which did very well that kind of film

00:54:07:05 - 00:54:12:00 festivals is to say IBM PSA, which is everything went well,

00:54:12:00 - 00:54:17:05 which is a French assisted suicide film about an old man

00:54:18:15 - 00:54:19:00 getting

00:54:19:00 - 00:54:22:16 dementia and losing the ability to walk with Andre DeSaulnier.

00:54:22:16 - 00:54:27:08

And because Sophie Marceau is on it and she's she is probably one of the most,

00:54:27:08 - 00:54:30:09 the biggest French international stars at the moment.

00:54:30:09 - 00:54:31:23

But that's going to,

00:54:31:23 - 00:54:35:04

I think if we

if we can try and review them next year,

00:54:35:04 - 00:54:40:00 those three actually 00 just say and and everything went fine,

00:54:40:01 - 00:54:40:24 I think it would be quite nice

00:54:40:24 - 00:54:43:16 to do an assisted suicide episode, actually, because I think

00:54:44:17 - 00:54:46:19 there's quite a lot coming up about that.

00:54:46:19 - 00:54:49:03 But yes, I look out for that one.

00:54:49:21 - 00:54:54:03 And also what we should look at because again, it swept the board.

00:54:54:04 - 00:54:57:05 A lot of the European Film Festival, things that I know.

00:54:57:21 - 00:55:01:06 There's a number of film critics I know.

00:55:01:12 - 00:55:05:00 Quite like I've said, there's there's a Finnish film coming out

00:55:05:00 - 00:55:08:11 called The Blind Man who did not want to see Titanic.

00:55:08:23 - 00:55:11:16 Have you heard of that one? No.

00:55:11:16 - 00:55:14:06 So I think it's about a visual 00:55:14:06 - 00:55:17:10 impairment and paralysis linked to Ms.

00:55:20:14 - 00:55:22:22 But it's a fictional one.

00:55:22:22 - 00:55:24:09 So look out for that one.

00:55:24:09 - 00:55:27:18 So these days, that's the key ones the blind man who did not want to see

00:55:27:18 - 00:55:29:06 Titanic.

00:55:29:08 - 00:55:33:07 Everything went fine with Sophie, Son and then the others.

00:55:33:10 - 00:55:38:01 So anything else anybody wants to say before we say,

00:55:38:01 - 00:55:40:08 Happy Christmas to everybody,

00:55:41:04 - 00:55:44:09 that's what the coldest chicken.

00:55:45:03 - 00:55:46:06 I don't want it came out.

00:55:46:06 - 00:55:47:08 It's a film.

00:55:47:08 - 00:55:49:08 A recent film with John was stolen.

00:55:49:17 - 00:55:52:23 Oh, absolutely. That's what they call it.

00:55:52:23 - 00:55:55:16
I put that in my top three, would you?

00:55:56:01 - 00:55:57:21

I thought it was brilliant.

00:55:57:21 - 00:55:59:02 I enjoy.

00:55:59:02 - 00:56:00:16 Oh, did you mention it before?

00:56:00:16 - 00:56:02:08 No, I forgot about it.

00:56:02:08 - 00:56:04:22 I just it was just wonderful.

00:56:04:22 - 00:56:06:23 Just beautiful. Yeah, yeah.

00:56:07:06 - 00:56:10:14 I think after love nine days

00:56:11:23 - 00:56:14:14 and Limbo with the top three films for me.

00:56:14:14 - 00:56:18:12 But but after love, I thought it was again an exceptional.

00:56:18:17 - 00:56:20:24 And it's very much like that kind of limbo.

00:56:21:08 - 00:56:26:02 It's very pared back film, Mike, and it's purely about about the story.

00:56:26:11 - 00:56:28:19 And it was really powerful and excellent.

00:56:29:04 - 00:56:31:17 Really good. Yeah.

00:56:31:17 - 00:56:32:14 So there you go.

00:56:34:01 - 00:56:35:03 Thank you. 00:56:36:02 - 00:56:37:24 And have a good Christmas.

00:56:37:24 - 00:56:40:07 Thank you. Same to you.

00:56:40:07 - 00:56:41:16 Bye bye. Bye bye.