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The prospects of a new

Universal is opting to keep Jason Bourne on the run



"Bourne" movie

Their ears ringing with the sound of three Oscar wins for the Bourne Ultimatum, Matt Damon and director Paul Greengrass have reportedly committed to add a fourth film to the critically acclaimed action franchise.

According to the Daily Variety, Damon and Greengrass, who took over from Bourne Identity director Doug Liman to helm the second and third installments in the series, are on board but because of prior commitments it could be a few years before cameras start rolling.

That should give producers time to figure out Bourne's next step, considering late author Robert Ludlum penned only three bestselling novels about the amnesiac secret agent on the hunt for the shady figures who turned him into a steely killing machine. Two sequels by Eric Van Lustbader, The Bourne Legacy and The Bourne Betrayal, haven't been reviewed quite so kindly.

Damon, for one, didn't seem too excited about his character's future prospects after Ultimatum's mystery-resolving (yet helpfully open-ended)

"I just don't see what story you could do that would feel right," the 37-year-old actor told Entertainment Weekly in August shortly after the third film hit theaters. "It's not like you can bump him on the head again and give him amnesia. Someone suggested we could do one where Bourne loses his car keys... If that's what they're coming up with, maybe a break isn't a bad

The actor also said that if there was another Bourne movie it should come after audiences have had a chance to catch their collective breath. Or raise chil-

"I think the way you could do a number four is to do it in, like, 10 years," Damon, who at the time also joked on The Daily Show that the next film would have to be called The Bourne Redundancy, said.

Greengrass said it would be the audience that ultimately decided whether another film should get made. And moviegoers acted accordingly, shelling out \$443 million to bring the franchise box office total to \$945 million worldwide.

Critics have also been particularly kind to the franchise, singling out Damon' performance, the direction and other fine qualities that have made the films stand out in Hollywood, where big-studio action movies usually mean noise, violence, crummy dialogue and little else.

At Sunday' Academy Awards ceremony, Christopher Rouse took home the statute for film editing for The Bourne Ultimatum, while the teams of Scott Millan, David Parker and Kirk Francis and Karen Baker Landers and Per Hallberg won for sound mixing and sound editing, respectively.

Damon also snatched the Favorite Male Action Star crown away from perennial pirate Johnny Depp at this year' People' Choice Awards.

But long before Jason Bourne dries off from that swim in the East River, Damon will film the corporate thriller The Informers for director Steven Soderbergh. He is also in talks to star in Clint Eastwood's next project, The Human Factor, a look at Nelson Mandela's life in post-apartheid South Africa.

Greengrass, meanwhile, will be busy prepping his Vietnam War drama They Marched into Sunlight and putting the finishing touches on Green Zone, based on journalist Rajiv Chandrasekaran's book. Damon stars in the thriller, along with Greg Kinnear and Amy Ryan.

Shyam Benegal's upcoming comedy

PALLAB BHATTACHARYA, New Delhi

In keeping with the growing trend in Bollywood, veteran director Shyam Benegal returns to making a comedy film -- after quarter of a century -through his latest work Mahadev Ka Sajjanpur to be released commercially in March-April this year.

The film, starring Amrita Rao and Shreyas Talpade, considered an emerging poster boy of off-beat cinema after acting in Nagesh Kuknoor's Iqbal, is the story of an educated youth in a village who makes a living by writing letters for the illiterate. The youth aspires to become a novelist and puts his own emotions into the letters he writes for others and the result is rib-tickler.

While Talpade, who also acts Kuknoor's forthcoming movie Bombay to Bangkok, plays the role of the village youth, Amrita essays the role of his wife. Both are clearly appear in de-glamourised roles. If you think that Benegal's latest movie will be a pure laugh-riot, you are

wrong. Like all his films, Mahadev Ka Sajjanpur will send out a message couched in humour, indicates the director. Benegal, who has pioneered a new genre of Hindi films with work like Ankur, Bhoomika, Manthan, Nishant, Sooraj Ka Saatwan Ghoda, Mandi, Junoon, Mammo and Zubeida had been waiting for several years to make the comedy after he saw an illiterate man in his office getting someone else

to write letters to his wife and read the letters to him from her.

The director said that the real story held out the promise of turning into an interesting comedy.

The last time Benegal had made an out-andout comedy was in 1974 Charandas Chor and he made it a point out that even Mandi, a story about nautch girls starring Shabana Azmi, Naseeruddin Shah and Om Puri, had elements of light-hearted satire.

Therefore, when a television journalist had recently told Benegal that Mahadev Ka Sajjanpur was his first attempt at making a comedy, the director appeared to have got a little annoyed and shot back "no this is the third time I'm making a comedy film". Apart from his com-

edy, Benegal is making at least two more films including one based on George Bizet's Spanish opera and another on Buddha.

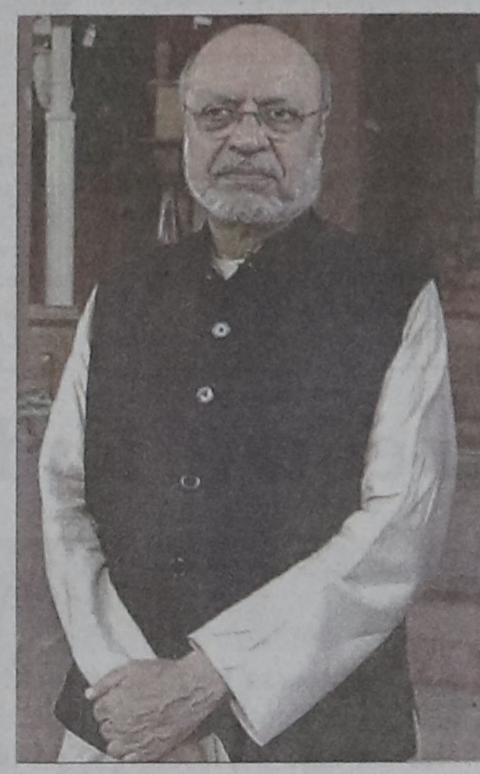
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Shyam Benegal

New "Terminator" film set for May 2009 release

The fourth movie in the Terminator franchise will reach theatres on May 22, 2009, coinciding with the U.S. Memorial Day holiday weekend, distributor Warner Bros. said.

Christian Bale will star as rebel leader John Connor in Terminator Salvation: The Future Begins, which is scheduled to begin production in the spring in New Mexico.

Charlie's Angels filmmaker McG will direct the movie, which is expected to be the first in a new Terminator

The series, which originated in 1984 and made Arnold Schwarzenegger a star, centred on a robot from the future where machines wage war against humanity, whose goal was to kill Sarah Connor, the mother of the future leader of the human resistance. As the movies progressed, the son, played by Edward Furlong in 1991's Terminator 2: Judgment Day and Nick Stahl in 2003's Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines, took a more prominent role.

Sony Pictures will handle international distribution. Warner Bros. and Sony had a similar arrangement for Terminator 3, which grossed \$433 million worldwide.

Source: Internet



Christian Bale is set to star in Terminator Salvation: The Future Begins

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APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITORS

M/s Khan Wahab Shafiq Rahman & Co., Chartered Accountants the current Auditors of our company will retire in the 25th Annual General Meeting to be held on 30th March 2008. They are not eligible for reappointment for the year 2008 as per Bangladesh Bank's letter No. BRPD(P)748/3/2007-1866 dated 24.06.2007.

Therefore, the Shareholders of our company is hereby requested to submit their intention for nomination of External Auditors for the year 2008 on or before 15th March 2008. The list of eligible candidates for appointment as External Auditors will be published in newspapers in due course.

General Hospital

The Simpsons

American Idol

Most Haunted

Bhabhi

Grihasti

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Kasturi

Kayamath

12:00 Karam Apnaa Apnaa

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

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10:30 Patiala Necklace, The

12:30 Baby Story, A (Season 6):

King Cobra And I

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Meerkat Manor (Season 3)

On Survival: Episode 3

Giraffe

Hide

09:30 India With Sanjeev Bhaskar:

Kayamath

STAR PLUS

10:30 Saibaba

02:00

10:00

Two & A Half Men

Love You To Death

Criss Angel Mindfreak

Raja Ki Aayegi Baraat

Kasautii Zindagii Kay

Karam Apnaa Apnaa

Raja Ki Aayegi Baraat

Kasautii Zindagii Kay

Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii

Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi

Mega Builders: Spanning The

Healthy Living: Mind Over Matter

I Shouldn't Be Alive: Swept Away

Chasing Nature (Season 1):

Harlem (New York City)

Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan

Friends

Seinfeld

07:30

My Wife And Kids

Malcolm In The Middle

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Agamir Kontho

Pran-er Gaan

Top Story

Vocab

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Drama Serial: Swapnochura

Drama Serial: Shunyopata

Drama Serial: Mohanagar

Drama Serial: Pingol Akash

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Hawaii Super Ferry

Mission To Malaysia

Gators High and Dry

Living With Big Cats

Hawaii Super Ferry

Basketball 28-Feb-08

Soccer/Football: Barclays

02:30 Basketball: BIG TEN CONFER-

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Soccer/Football: Football Up

Auto Racing: Planet Speed

Extreme Sports: Winter X

Games 11 Classix: Skiing

(Extreme Sports)Mt. Aspen

Soccer/Football: Premier League

With John Dykes

(Soccer/Futbol)

07:30 Soccer/Football: Goals!

Planet Speed

10:00 Basketball: Nba Action

(Basketball)

World

08:30 Sport News

09:30 Auto Racing:

10:30 Sport News

11:30 Cricket

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Premier League 2007/08

Basketball: Big Ten Conference

Golf: 2007 Re/Max Long Drive

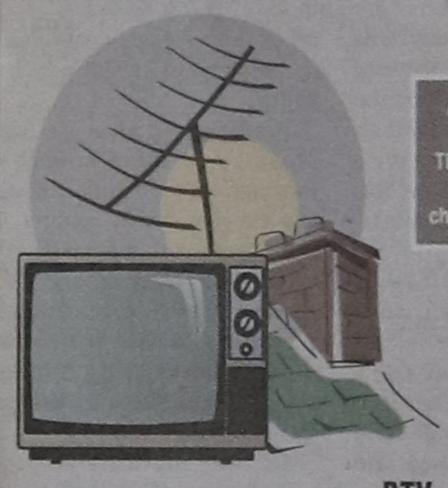
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STAR MOVIES 08:45 Big Daddy 10:30 The 80th Annual Academy Awards 02:30 Robotech:The Shadow Chronicles 04:05 Dead Fish 05:25 Marine, The 07:00 Rundown, The 11:00 Gravedancers

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12:00 Shongbad Protidin

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Power Of Fear 10:15 Sauna Belt 10:30 Canyonlands India's Geniuses Inside Shock And Awe 01:30 Warplanes 02:30 Intimate Enemies

HISTORY CHANNEL 08:30 Caught in the Middle 10:15 Sauna Belt 1964 Chevy Impala 12:00 Swarna Heera 12:15 Eye Max 12:30 Fall from Grace 01:30 Revenge 02:30 The Universe 03:30 Babe Ruth 04:30 Robots 05:30 Cop Cars 06:30 Fall from Grace 07:30 Mysteries of Freemason 08:30 Captain Crunch 09:30 Battle 10:30 Cars and Planes

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