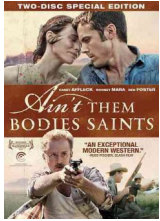


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Ain't Them Bodies Saints



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I chose to highlight this film, released (and slightly forgotten) last year, because the holds queue has recently run its course. The plot concerns a small-town Texas man who escapes from prison to reunite with his wife and their child he has never seen. If you're looking for a crime picture that is equal parts emotional relationship drama and technical detail period piece (mid 20th century), check this out. The box advertises it as a "modern western", which I suppose it is, in the way a film like [Down in the Valley](#) or [Lonely Are The Brave](#) (the last "good Western", according to [Sam Shepard's True West](#)) is. It has a few action scenes, but this film is more [Badlands](#) than [Bonnie & Clyde](#). [Read more](#)

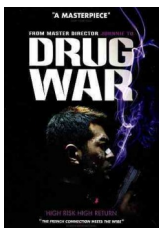
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Drug War



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If you are looking for a good, modern crime thriller, and are not averse to subtitles, this new Johnnie To movie is definitely worth checking out. A contemporary of filmmakers like [John Woo](#) and [Tsui Hark](#), [Johnnie To](#) has been known for making good (crime) pictures in China for awhile now, but this new one is a great blend of action and plot. Reviews I have read compare it to [Infernal Affairs](#) (which Martin Scorsese's [The Departed](#) was based on), though the plot here is not THAT convoluted. [Read more](#)

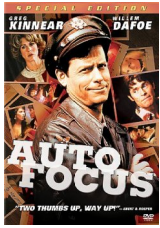
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Auto Focus



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In the 1960's one of the top rated TV shows of the time was a comedy about the unusual subject of a prisoner of war camp in Nazi Germany. The show was the story was about a group of prisoners in Stalag 13 whose mission was to conduct secret operations behind enemy lines. It was known as Hogan's Heroes. The film Auto Focus is not about this television show but about its star who found himself in the public's eye and being held up to public as the example of the ideal family man. His life and his actions were anything but ideal. [Read more](#)

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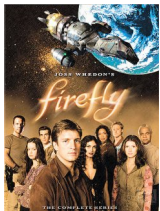
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Firefly



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?Here's how it is: The Earth got used up, so we moved out and terraformed a whole new galaxy of Earths. Some rich and flush with the new technologies, some not so much. The Central Planets, them's formed the Alliance, waged war to bring everyone under their rule; a few idiots tried to fight it, among them myself. I'm Malcolm Reynolds, captain of Serenity. She's a transport ship; Firefly class. Got a good crew: fighters, pilot, mechanic. We even picked up a preacher for some reason, and a bona fide companion. There's a doctor, too, took his genius sister outta some Alliance camp, so they're keepin' a low profile. You understand. You got a job, we can do it, don't much care what it is. ? ? Opening Credits

The television series Firefly is a show that many say was never really given a chance. I would have to agree. Produced by Joss Whedon for the Fox Network, the show was originally planned to have a seven year story ark. It was canceled after airing only 11 out of 14 filmed episodes. It suffered from a variety of issues. Fox aired the episodes out of order and swapped the times that it aired in an ill-advised attempt to raise ratings. Those who found the show had trouble finding it again. Even with these issues, Firefly gathered such a strong fan following that with the

release of the DVDs its popularity has continued to build over time. [Read more](#)

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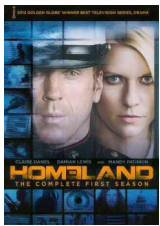
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Homeland Season 1



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Homeland is absolutely great tv drama! Imagine a decorated United States Marine who unexpectedly returns home from Iraq after being held a prisoner of war. Further imagine that the CIA has credible intelligence that a returning soldier has been converted into an Al-quaeda operative. Now imagine the clash of a war hero trying to clear his name with the CIA when the CIA suspects him of being a terrorist. Season one of Homeland will keep you on the edge of your seat. The library has five copies of the first season.

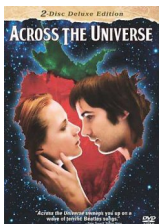
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Across the Universe



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I'm not much of a purist about most things but Beatles' songs are an exception. The idea of a movie that used the songs of The Beatles to tell a story did not really appeal to me. That the songs were not the original recordings made the idea seem even worse. However after re-reading Roger Ebert's review of the movie 'Across the Universe' I felt I had to at least give the film a shot. Jude (Jim Sturgess) has come to the United States to find his father and make his way as an artist. While here he meets Max Carrigan and his sister Lucy. From here the film follows Jude and Lucy through the turbulent sixties while capturing their up and down relationship. This happens to the beat of the accompanying background of Beatles tunes. [Read more](#)

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