

THE TERROR LOOMS LARGE AS NEW LINE CINEMA'S "IT" OPENS GLOBALLY IN IMAX® DAY-AND-DATE WITH CONVENTIONAL THEATRES

Warner Bros. Pictures announced today that New Line Cinema's highly anticipated horror thriller "IT" will open in domestic and select international IMAX® theatres day-and-date with its wide theatrical release. "IT" will screen from Thursday September 7th in IMAX® in Australia at Melbourne IMAX and Hoyts Highpoint in Victoria, Hoyts EQ in New South Wales and Hoyts Carousel in Western Australia and in New Zealand at Event Cinemas Queen Street.

In IMAX theatres around the globe, horror fans can be immersed in the terrifying world of one of Stephen King's most popular novels—brought to the big screen for the first time by director Andy Muschietti. Tickets for IMAX showings are now available for advance purchase.

New Line Cinema's horror thriller "IT" tells the story of seven young outcasts growing up in the township of Derry, Maine, who call themselves the Losers' Club. Each of them has been ostracized for one reason or another; each has a target on their back from the local pack of bullies...and all have seen their inner fears come to life in the form of an ancient shapeshifting predator they can only call It.

For as long as their town has existed, Derry has been the entity's hunting ground, emerging from the sewers every 27 years to feed on the terrors of its chosen prey: Derry's children. Banding together over one horrifying and exhilarating summer, the Losers form a close bond to help them overcome their own fears and stop a killing cycle that began on a rainy day, with a small boy chasing a paper boat as it swept down a storm drain...and into the hands of Pennywise the Clown.

Directed by Andy Muschietti ("Mama"), "IT" is based on the Stephen King novel of the same name, which has been terrifying readers for decades. First published in 1986, IT became an instant classic. It continues to be counted among the best and most influential works of the undisputed literary master of horror, inspiring numerous film and television projects in the years that have followed.

The film stars Bill Skarsgård ("Allegiant," TV's "Hemlock Grove") as the story's central villain, Pennywise. An ensemble of young actors also star in the film, including Jaeden Lieberher ("Midnight Special"), Jeremy Ray Taylor ("Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Road Chip"), Sophia Lillis ("37"), Finn Wolfhard (TV's "Stranger Things"), Wyatt Oleff ("Guardians of the Galaxy"), Chosen Jacobs (upcoming "Cops and Robbers"), Jack Dylan Grazer ("Tales of Halloween"), Nicholas Hamilton ("Captain Fantastic") and Jackson Robert Scott, making his film debut.

Muschietti directed "IT" from a screenplay by Chase Palmer & Cary Fukunaga and Gary Dauberman, based on the novel by King. Roy Lee, Dan Lin, Seth Grahame-Smith, David Katzenberg and Barbara Muschietti produced the film, with Dave Neustadter, Walter Hamada, Richard Brener, Toby Emmerich, Marty P. Ewing, Doug Davison, Jon Silk and Niija Kuykendall serving as executive producers.

The behind-the-scenes creative team included director of photography Chung-Hoon Chung ("Me and Earl and the Dying Girl," "Oldboy"), production designer Claude Paré ("Rise of the Planet of the Apes"), editor Jason Ballantine ("Mad Max: Fury Road"), and costume designer Janie Bryant (TV's "Mad Men"). The music was composed by Benjamin Wallfisch ("Annabelle: Creation").

New Line Cinema presents a Vertigo Entertainment/Lin Pictures/Katzsmith Production, "IT." The film will be distributed worldwide by Warner Bros. Pictures, a Warner Bros. Entertainment Company.

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