

# FROM INTERGALACTIC ROBOTS TO CIA OPERATIVES, ACTION THRILLERS VOTED THE BEST AND MOST POPULAR MOVIES OF 2007

## **Redbox** DVD Rental Kiosks Feature The Year's Top Movies

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**Oakbrook Terrace, III.** – According to the *Redbox* "Best of 2007" Survey, watching movies was a popular activity in 2007, and action-adventure films were at their best. *Redbox*, the fully automated DVD rental system featuring new release rentals for \$1 per night, asked customers to rate their favorite 2007 films and award-worthy performances. The survey found the average respondent watched 11-15 movies in 2007, with action films representing the most popular genre for movie rentals (40.3 percent). With the Hollywood awards season just around the corner, following are the year's favorite films and performances according to *redbox* customers nationwide:

**You Gotta See This.** "Transformers" was the must-see and must-own movie of the year (22.6 and 18.3 percent, respectively). "The Bourne Ultimatum" (20.5, 14.9 percent) and "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End" (9.5, 12.1 percent) also topped the 2007 list of favorites.

**Chemistry 101.** "Music and Lyrics" was voted the best date movie of 2007 by both men and women, however, men felt Chuck and Larry from "I Now Pronounce you Chuck and Larry" had the best on-screen chemistry (19.8 percent), while women preferred the on-screen romance of Shrek and Fiona from "Shrek The Third" (26.3 percent).

**Woulda, Coulda, Shoulda.** The unique storyline and special effects of "300" earned it the award for 'movie I most wish I had seen in theatres' (23 percent). Perhaps better suited for the small screen was "Shrek The Third" – voted top 'movie I wish I had waited to see on DVD' (8.9 percent).

And the Award Goes To: Men gave Keira Knightley the award for female performance of the year in "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End" (21 percent). Women preferred Nikki Blonsky in "Hairspray" (26.4 percent). For best male performance, women selected Johnny Depp in "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End" (27 percent), while men voted for Matt Damon in "The Bourne Ultimatum" (27.9 percent).

**You'll Laugh, You'll Cry.** "Wild Hogs" was the 2007 laugh-out-loud movie of the year (22.6 percent), while "Freedom Writers" took honors for best dramatic film (23 percent). According to the *Redbox* "Best of 2007" Survey, the endearing "Ratatouille" was remembered as the best family fun movie of the year (31 percent), followed by "Shrek The Third" (24.2 percent) and "Meet the Robinsons" (10.5 percent).

**Only You.** Male respondents selected "Good Luck Chuck" star Jessica Alba as the movie star they would most like to date and marry (25.4 and 21 percent, respectively). Female respondents, however, apparently seek different traits. While women chose Orlando Bloom, star of "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End," as the movie star they'd most like to date (16.5 percent), they'd prefer to walk down the aisle with "American Gangster" star Denzel Washington (14.6 percent).

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#### Editor's Note:

The *Redbox* "Best of 2007" Survey polled 1,171 *redbox* customers nationwide.