

HORTON HEARS A WHO!

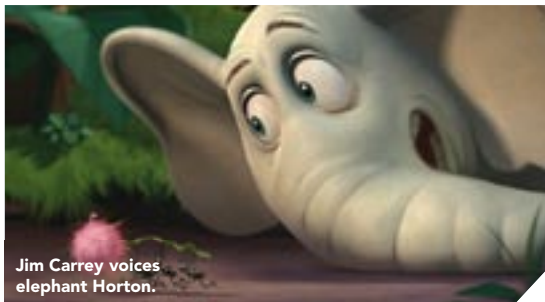
RELEASED 21 March

DIRECTOR Jimmy Hayward, Steve Martino

VOICES OF Jim Carrey, Steve Carell, Carol Burnett, Seth Rogen, Will Arnett

Jim Carrey has proved he can handle cartoon-style characters with star turns in *The Mask*, *The Grinch* and *Lemony Snicket's A Series Of Unfortunate Events*, but he's never actually voiced an animation... until now.

Horton Hears A Who! takes the funnyman back to the world of Dr Seuss, which he first visited in *The Grinch*. He's the voice of Horton the elephant, who hears a cry for help coming from a speck of dust and discovers it's home to the tiny town of Whoville. Horton is



Jim Carrey voices elephant Horton.

determined to protect its inhabitants, even though his friends think he's gone crackers. Meanwhile the Whos are surprised to find a giant elephant looking down on them...

Coming from the team behind *Ice Age* and co-starring Steve Carell – who joined forces with Carrey in *Bruce Almighty* – this looks like an animated caper of the highest order!

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Magical adventure
in *The Spiderwick
Chronicles...*

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THE SPIDERWICK CHRONICLES

RELEASED 21 March

DIRECTOR Mark Waters

STARRING Freddie Highmore, Mary-Louise Parker, Joan Plowright, David Strathairn

Fairies, ogres, dragons, sprites and goblins... Not what you expect to find when you move into a new house. But when twins Jared and Simon Grace and their sister Mallory move into a mansion that once belonged to their great-great-uncle, Arthur Spiderwick, they find it's no ordinary dwelling. There's a creature

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called Brownie living in the walls and an ogre called Mulgrath out to steal something special their uncle left behind... Based on the books by Holly Black and Tony DiTerlizzi, this fantasy adventure promises to be a fairy-filled treat.

Also being screened at the IMAX at the ODEON Printworks in Manchester

THE OTHER BOLEYN GIRL

RELEASED 7 March

DIRECTOR Justin Chadwick

STARRING Natalie Portman, Scarlett Johansson, Eric Bana, Kristin Scott Thomas, Jim Sturgess

Eric Bana might just be the jamiest guy in history, because in this lush period drama, he gets his pick of the ladies. Bana is Henry VIII – a man not averse to the odd wedding and beheading in his time – the portly English king who faces the most welcome scenario of having both beautiful Boleyn sisters fling themselves at him. There's only room in the king's bed for one, but will Anne (Natalie Portman) or Mary (Scarlett Johansson) wind up being the (un)lucky lady in his life?

Bana, as he's shown in *Chopper* and *Munich*, can be the most magnetic of actors when the role demands, and there certainly

aren't many bigger parts in history to play. Portman and Johansson have already proved they make for alluring floozies (we're thinking *Closer* and *The Black Dahlia*), and they'll be directed by Brit Justin Chadwick, who helmed the BBC's dazzling adaptation of Charles Dickens' drama *Bleak House* in 2005.

'Portman and Johansson are alluring'



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10,000 BC

RELEASED 14 March

DIRECTOR Roland Emmerich

STARRING Steven Strait, Camilla Belle, Cliff Curtis, Omar Sharif, Suri van Sornsen

What do you do when an evil warlord takes a shine to your loved one? Shoulder your spear, gather a massive army and mount a daring rescue through uncharted territory, of course. And woe betide any ferocious beasts that try to get in your way...

In *10,000 BC*, rising star Steven Strait – who's also appearing in war drama *Stop Loss* later this year with Ryan Phillippe – is D'Leh, a young hunter who uncovers a lost civilisation and squares up to sabre-toothed tigers and other prehistoric predators while trying to rescue the woman he loves. Other faces on show include Tim Barlow, last seen in *Hot Fuzz*, and Hollywood veteran Omar Sharif.

Director Roland Emmerich is a master of stunning special effects, having previously brought us blockbusters *Independence Day* and *The Day After Tomorrow*. This awesome actioner was filmed in Africa and New Zealand, and it looks like a mammoth hit in the making.

