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(Un)Likely Summer Superhero Movies

MEET THE MARVEL SUPER HEROES



Whether you're a Marvel fan, a DC fan, or some other superhero-factory fan (are there any other superhero factories?), you're probably pretty dang stoked about the summer and the promise of a new barrage of superhero movies! More Wonder Woman, more Spiderman, more Batman, more...*Swamp Thing!*? Indeed, *Swamp Thing* is a film that was announced in 2009 and even got assigned Vincenzo Natali as the director in 2010 (Wikipedia), but stuff happens like recessions, pandemics, and Star Wars spin-offs, so *Swamp Thing* has been stuck in "development hell" for a while. But so have many other film projects

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Dance Marathon at Folsom Bridge

Coming soon...

"If every fool wore a crown, we should all be kings."

Welsh proverb

Goodbye Leap Year! Good Riddance, Daylight Savings!

Speaking from the headquarters of The International Standardization Organization (ISO) in Geneva, Switzerland, President Ulrika Fancke made a landmark announcement on March 31 detailing the first alteration to the Gregorian calendar in 200 years. The Gregorian calendar became the standard of the

British Empire and thus, of the then American colonies, by act of Parliament on September 2, 1752. The new law advanced the date from September 2 to September 14! The new edict from the ISO is not as drastic, but it aims to regain some of those lost days. The ISO has determined that it is

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you may not have heard of. The *Parrot Staff* did some sleuthing and found out that there are a lot of big-screen events to look forward to in the coming months...if they actually make it out of production. Take a look at these oh-so-promising titles.

Batman vs Godzilla

Spiderman: Prom Night

Spider Woman and Black Widow: Strung Out

Ironing Man

Ironman vs Rustbucket

Vision Origins: Now You'll Get to See!

Ant-Man: Raid on the Hill

Ant-Man: Locust Invasion

Avengers: Pre-Game Warm Up

Dance Man and the Jitterbug

Doctor Strange and Nurse Weirdo

Captain Canada

Bucky: Single-handed

Captain United States Man

Private America (first in a prequel series)

Thor: Razor of Fury

Agent Coulson: In Memorandum

Dog-Man: Raiders of the Lost Bark

Jelly Dude: Spread Too Thin

Ghost Rider: Tune Up

Groot's Holiday Special: Let Me Ent-ertain You!

Edward Scissorhands and Wolverine: Vital Season

Shang-Chi and the Legend of 10 More Rings

Thanos and Six Infinity Scones

Thanos and the Sorcerer's Stone

Hawkeye Beware: The Parrot's Revenge

Joker and the April Fools



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possible to eliminate the practice of using so-called “leap years.” By adding a day to February every 4 years, the calendar presumably remains in synch with the solar cycle. However, this really is not necessary after all. As impetus to reconsidering the centuries-old tradition of using leap years in the calendar system, the ISO cited the spate of time-travel-themed movies in recent decades: *The Adam Project*, *Interstellar*, *Edge of Tomorrow*, *ARQ*, *Midnight in Paris*, *The Butterfly Effect*, *The Time Traveler’s Wife*, *Wrinkle in Time*, *Time Trap*, *Time Lapse*, *Time Cop*, *Time Changers*, *Time Jumpers*, *Time Freak*, *Time Bandits*, *Somewhere in Time*, *Groundhog Day*, *Bill and Ted’s Excellent Adventure*, and *Back to the Future*. Though fictionalized accounts, these films’ approaches to time manipulation, time accreditation, time disaggregation, geo-asynchroneconicality, time disambiguation, and other cutting-edge chronometrically focused subfields of physics, broke new ground and were pioneers in extending the thought experiments first proposed by the original time bandit himself, Albert Einstein. The practical application has been the fundamental reordering of calendar theory validated by the research of the Germany-based Max Planck Institute for Time Studies. Critics of this time shift are quick to point out that the Institute for Time Studies is heavily subsidized by Rolex, Omega, Patek Philippe, and IWC Schaffhausen, all big players in the watch industry with substantial motivation to see the elimination of the beloved 29th of February. Conspiracy theories aside, there is widespread international support for this calendar update.

But the good news doesn’t stop there! In addition to the elimination of leap year, the same studies from the Max Planck Institute have led the ISO to a second announcement: Daylight Saving should be immediately dispensed with. When asked why this took so long to formalize, President

Francke explained, “First of all, there was almost unbearable fear surrounding this issue—bald, drooling, shivering, halitotic fear. Second, the initial opposition to the change came from a prolonged but necessary debate in the ISO General Assembly as to the object in question, namely, is it daylight “saving” or daylight “savings.” Francke emphasized that, “The ISO General Assembly really wanted to make sure they didn’t sound uniformed when we published our statement, and frankly, the disagreement about this fine point and the vitriol and ferocity used by both sides to argue their positions took up, well, a lot of time!” Though the ISO is not a governing body with any enforcement abilities, Francke asserted that the ISO’s announcements are internationally recognized as the best practices for weights, measurements, times, calendars, color ratios, and perfume combinations, so it is all but assured that the 162 member nations of the ISO will immediately require all of their territories and states to no longer use Daylight Saving adjustments. The one exception will likely be China, which recently announced that since it has been using just a single time zone to synchronize the populous since 1949 (even though geographically the country spans five time zones) that they might as well begin the practice of Daylight Savings.

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Out of the Cage

GO TCHA!



SQUAWK!!

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