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Can Rita Hayworth Get Anymore Publicity?

Overall Rating: 9.1/10

Adapted from a Stephen King novel, Shawshank Redemption has all the making of the greatest film ever.



Be it the sodomizing scenes of Andy Dufresne (Tim Robbins) in jail to the struggles of Red (Morgan Freeman) once out of jail, this film is a all time classic cult.

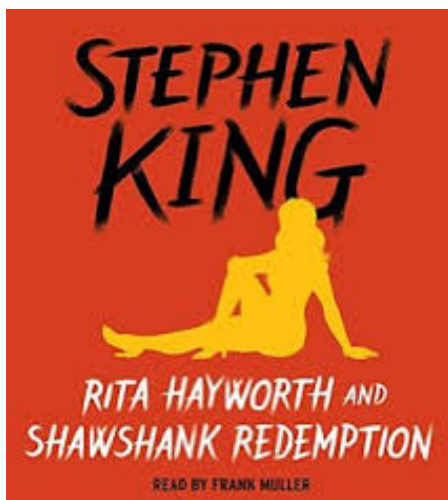
Andy Dufresne is sentenced to life for murdering his wife and her lover (A crime he didn't commit). He meets Red who is sentenced to life and failing parole applications. They both reunite- Andy by escaping and Red – finally getting parole outside of jail. This is a tale of friendships formed in jail. It is one of the best prison movies made.

Tim Robbins depiction of a smart accountant who handles the jail accounts and finds there is constant fraud by the Warden (Bob Gunton). He keeps quiet and one day escapes jail and does the impossible- through a tunnel behind the Rita Hayworth poster in his room. Rita Hayworth and the Shawshank Redemption is the name of the Stephen King novel.



Frank Darabont has adapted the novel and written a riveting 142 minute screenplay. The revealing that Andy did not really commit the crime and the crime was of someone else's doing is a great catch. That Andy leaves Red a letter to get money and buy a ticket to meet him in Mexico is another.

The screenplay is filled with the brilliance of the Stephen King book.



Andy's dialogue "There is something inside you that no body can take" is a true statement. It rings inside my ears even today. The best scene in the film is when the Warden throws a stone on the Rita

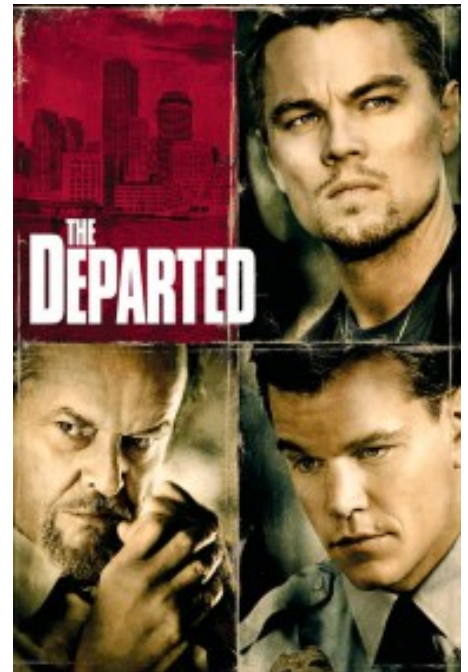
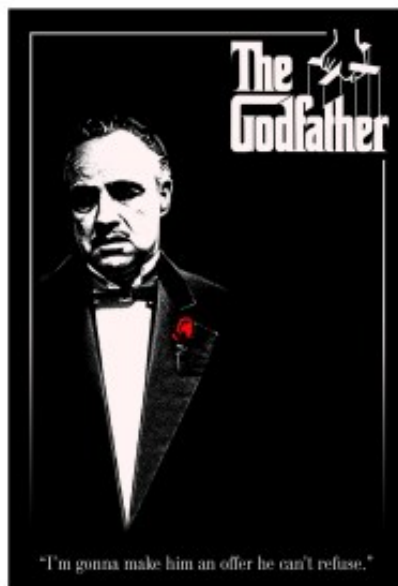
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Hayworth poster and discovers the tunnel where Andy escaped. Red is shocked and also impressed secretly. What follows is Andy's escape through a mile of mud onto the other side and all the way to Mexico.

Before leaving, Andy even sets up the Warden to be arrested. That is not to be as the Warden shoots himself before this happens.

The intricacies of Shawshank and the mystery thriller is comparable to the great movies of all time – The Departed being another.

I still consider The Shawshank Redemption, The Departed, The Godfather and Citizen Kane the four best movies of all time.



The Shawshank Redemption is one of the Four Greatest Hollywood films of all time. The other three being Citizen Kane, The Godfather and The Departed.

Robbins and Freeman have placed their best roles till date. Each complementing the other. Freeman is brilliant playing a character who loves jail but hates the real world. His surprises on his face and his wondrous smile brings his character to life. Robbins' seriousness and intellectual personality gives Andy Dufresne a much needed representation.

If you haven't seen this film, you must as it is not to be missed.