

# The Personal History of David Copperfield

*The Personal History of David Copperfield* is a 2019 comedy-drama film written and directed by Armando Iannucci, based on the 1850 novel *David Copperfield* by Charles Dickens. It stars Dev Patel as the title character, along with Aneurin Barnard, Peter Capaldi, Morfydd Clark, Daisy May Cooper, Rosalind Eleazar, Hugh Laurie, Tilda Swinton, Ben Whishaw and Paul Whitehouse.<sup>[5]</sup>

The world premiere was at the Toronto International Film Festival on September 5, 2019 and was theatrically released in the United Kingdom on January 24, 2020 by Lionsgate and in the United States on August 28, 2020 by Searchlight Pictures.<sup>[6][7]</sup>

## Plot

David Copperfield is born to his widowed mother, Clara, and begins saving noteworthy quotes from his life on scraps of paper. As a child, he visits his nanny Peggotty's family in their upturned boathouse in Yarmouth and returns to find Clara has married the strict Mr. Murdstone. Bullied by his new step-aunt and beaten by his stepfather, David is sent to work in Murdstone's bottling factory in London, where he lodges with the Micawber family, who are always cheerful but pursued by their creditors.

As a young man, David still works at the factory, while the Micawbers are evicted by bailiffs and sent to debtors' prison. Informed of his mother's death only after her funeral, David wreaks havoc in the factory and departs for Dover to find his wealthy aunt Betsey Trotwood, his only living relative. Her lodger, the eccentric Mr. Dick, believes himself to be burdened with the late King Charles I's thoughts and, like David, jots them down. David attaches these notes to a kite for Mr. Dick to fly, helping clear his mind, and meets Betsey's accountant Mr. Wickfield (who likes his wine) and his daughter Agnes.

Admitted to a school for boys, David is befriended by classmate James Steerforth, who calls him Daisy and believes him to be a gentleman. Later, a butcher's lad mocks the two friends and David challenges him to a fight - David gets knocked out. Agnes tends to his wounds but David disappoints her by saying

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U.K. theatrical release poster

<b>Directed by</b>	<u>Armando Iannucci</u>
<b>Screenplay by</b>	<u>Simon Blackwell</u> <u>Armando Iannucci</u>
<b>Based on</b>	<i><u>David Copperfield</u></i> by <u>Charles Dickens</u>
<b>Produced by</b>	<u>Armando Iannucci</u> <u>Kevin Loader</u>
<b>Starring</b>	<u>Dev Patel</u> <u>Aneurin Barnard</u> <u>Peter Capaldi</u> <u>Morfydd Clark</u> <u>Daisy May Cooper</u> <u>Rosalind Eleazar</u> <u>Hugh Laurie</u> <u>Tilda Swinton</u> <u>Ben Whishaw</u> <u>Paul Whitehouse</u>
<b>Cinematography</b>	<u>Zac Nicholson</u>
<b>Edited by</b>	<u>Mick Audsley</u> <u>Peter Lambert</u>
<b>Music by</b>	<u>Christopher Willis</u>
<b>Production companies</b>	<u>FilmNation</u> <u>Entertainment</u> <u>Film4</u>

he thinks of her as a sister. Mr. Micawber briefly joins the school as a teacher, but is exposed by Steerforth as a former convict and fired. Mr. Wickfield's clerk Uriah Heep, who has previously been mocked by the boys, tries to blackmail David with knowledge of his past. At a farewell party at school, David meets Steerforth's mother, ignores his future employer, and falls in love with a somewhat ditsy girl named Dora Spenlow. He is hired as a trainee lawyer with Dora's father's firm in London, where he lives the life of a "young gentleman" and courts Dora.

Betsey arrives in London with Mr. Dick, having lost her fortune and home, and David is forced to decamp with them to a slum dwelling offered by Uriah, who has been keeping Mr. Wickfield drunk and persuaded him to make him a partner. Uriah is also courting Agnes. David visits Pegotty's family in their boat-house with Steerforth, who runs away with Pegotty's adopted daughter Emily, leaving her longtime fiancé Ham. Mr. Micawber now lives on the streets with his family and has pawned his beloved concertina, which he asks Mr. Dick to buy back. Instead, Mr. Dick steals it for him, and David invites the Micawbers to move in with him, Betsey, and Mr. Dick.

David begins to write the story of his life as a book, using the fragments he has saved since childhood. Agnes asks David, Micawber, Betsey, and Mr. Dick for a letter written by Mr. Wickfield as evidence of Uriah's misdeeds. They confront Uriah, who has been embezzling funds — including Betsey's missing fortune — by forging Mr. Wickfield's signature, presenting the letter as proof. David punches Uriah after the villainous clerk strikes Betsey, and dismisses him. Recognising that she no longer fits in David's "story", Dora calls off their engagement, asking him to write her out of his book.

Emily is spotted in London and confronted by Steerforth's mother, but rescued by David and Pegotty's family. She reveals that Steerforth abandoned her in France, but he will return the following day to Yarmouth. When a storm wrecks Steerforth's boat off the Yarmouth beach, Ham swims out on a line, but Steerforth refuses to be rescued and is drowned. Mourning his feckless friend's death, David realises he is in love with Agnes, who reciprocates. He publishes his book to great success, performing public readings of his story. His new career as a writer allows him to buy back Betsey's home for her and Mr. Dick and continue to support the Micawbers, and he and Agnes marry and have a daughter.

<b>Distributed by</b>	<u>Lionsgate</u> (United Kingdom) <u>Searchlight Pictures</u> (North America)
<b>Release dates</b>	September 5, 2019 (TIFF) January 24, 2020 (United Kingdom) August 28, 2020 (United States)
<b>Running time</b>	119 minutes <sup>[1]</sup>
<b>Countries</b>	United Kingdom United States
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Budget</b>	\$15.6 million <sup>[2]</sup>
<b>Box office</b>	\$14.4 million <sup>[3][4]</sup>

## Cast

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- Dev Patel as David Copperfield
  - Ranveer Jaiswal as 4–7-year-old David
- Peter Capaldi as Mr. Micawber
- Hugh Laurie as Mr. Dick
- Tilda Swinton as Betsey Trotwood
- Ben Whishaw as Uriah Heep
- Benedict Wong as Mr. Wickfield
- Gwendoline Christie as Jane Murdstone

- [Aneurin Barnard](#) as [James Steerforth](#)
- [Morfydd Clark](#) as [Dora Spenlow](#) / [Clara Copperfield](#)
- [Daisy May Cooper](#) as [Peggotty](#)
- [Rosalind Eleazar](#) as [Agnes Wickfield](#)
- [Paul Whitehouse](#) as [Mr. Peggotty](#)
- [Nikki Amuka-Bird](#) as [Mrs. Steerforth](#)
- [Darren Boyd](#) as [Edward Murdstone](#)
- [Matthew Cottle](#) as [Mr. Spenlow](#)
- [Bronagh Gallagher](#) as [Mrs. Micawber](#)
- [Anthony Welsh](#) as [Ham Peggotty](#)
- [Aimee Kelly](#) as [Emily](#)
- [Anna Maxwell Martin](#) as [Mrs. Strong](#)
- [Victor McGuire](#) as [Creakle](#)
- [Peter Singh](#) as [Tungay](#)
- [Ruby Bentall](#) as [Janet](#)
- [Divian Ladwa](#) as [Dr. Chillip](#)
- [Rosaleen Linehan](#) as [Mrs. Gummidge](#)
- [Sophie McShera](#) as [Mrs. Crupp](#)

## Production

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It was announced in February 2018 that [Armando Iannucci](#) would write, direct and produce a new adaptation of the [Charles Dickens](#) novel. Iannucci wrote the screenplay with [Simon Blackwell](#).<sup>[8]</sup> [Dev Patel](#) was cast in the title role later that month.<sup>[9]</sup> In April, the supporting cast was added, which included [Tilda Swinton](#), [Hugh Laurie](#), [Aneurin Barnard](#), [Ben Whishaw](#) and [Morfydd Clark](#).<sup>[10]</sup> In May 2018, [Peter Capaldi](#) was cast as [Mr. Micawber](#) and pre-production was underway.<sup>[11]</sup>



Filming took place in [Bury St Edmunds](#) in July 2018

Filming began in June 2018 in [Norfolk](#) and [Suffolk](#), with [Gwendoline Christie](#), [Benedict](#)

[Wong](#), [Paul Whitehouse](#) and [Daisy May Cooper](#) joining the cast.<sup>[12][13]</sup> Scenes were shot in [Hull](#),<sup>[14][15]</sup> [Bury St Edmunds](#),<sup>[16]</sup> [Weybourne](#)<sup>[17]</sup> and [King's Lynn](#) in July.<sup>[18][19]</sup> [Aimee Kelly](#) was added to the cast that month.<sup>[20]</sup> Principal photography concluded in August 2018.<sup>[21]</sup> It was the first theatrical film production of Dickens's novel in 50 years, and the first on-screen adaptation in 19 years.<sup>[22]</sup>

## Release

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The film had its world premiere at the [Toronto International Film Festival](#) on 5 September 2019,<sup>[23]</sup> followed by its European premiere on 2 October 2019, acting as the opening film of the 63rd [BFI London Film Festival](#).<sup>[24]</sup> It was the Surprise Film at the 39th [Cambridge Film Festival](#). It was released in the United Kingdom by [Lionsgate](#) on 24 January 2020.<sup>[25]</sup> In August 2019, [Fox Searchlight Pictures](#) acquired North

American rights to the film and scheduled the release on 8 May 2020.<sup>[26][27]</sup> However, due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on cinema and the name *Searchlight Pictures* which was changed by Disney, it was theatrically released later on 28 August 2020.<sup>[28]</sup>

## Reception

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### Box office

Although it received critical acclaim, *The Personal History of David Copperfield* underperformed at the box office, as its North American release came during the COVID-19 pandemic, when many cinemas were restricted from opening.<sup>[29]</sup>

In the United Kingdom, it took \$2m in its first week and a total gross of around \$8 million by the start of March, when the pandemic began to affect cinemas. In the United States, it debuted \$520,000 from 1,360 cinemas in August; playing in 1,550 cinemas the following weekend it fell 24% to \$361,000. It went in to gross \$1.9 million in the United States and Canada, and \$12.5 million in the rest of the world, for a worldwide total of \$14.4 million<sup>[30]</sup> against a production budget of \$15.6 million.

### Critical response

On review aggregator website Rotten Tomatoes, the film holds an approval rating of 92% based on 248 reviews, with an average rating of 7.6/10. The website's critics consensus reads: "*The Personal History of David Copperfield* puts a fresh, funny, and utterly charming spin on Dickens' classic, proving some stories truly are timeless."<sup>[31]</sup> On Metacritic, the film has a weighted average score of 77 out of 100, based on 39 critics, indicating "generally favourable reviews".<sup>[32]</sup> PostTrak reported that 74% of audience members gave the film a positive score, with 50% saying they would recommend it.<sup>[33]</sup>

Writing for *The Observer*, Mark Kermode awarded the film a full five stars and stated: "It really is a wonderfully entertaining film, managing to both respect and reinvent the novel from which it takes its lead."<sup>[34]</sup>

## Accolades

Award	Date of ceremony	Category	Recipient(s)	Result	Ref.
<u>British Independent Film Awards</u>	1 December 2019	<u>Best British Independent Film</u>	<u>Armando Iannucci, Simon Blackwell &amp; Kevin Loader</u>	Nominated	[35][36]
		<u>Best Actor</u>	<u>Dev Patel</u>	Nominated	
		<u>Best Supporting Actor</u>	<u>Hugh Laurie</u>	Won	
		<u>Best Supporting Actress</u>	<u>Tilda Swinton</u>	Nominated	
		<u>Best Screenplay</u>	<u>Armando Iannucci and Simon Blackwell</u>	Won	
		<u>Best Casting</u>	<u>Sarah Crowe</u>	Won	
		<u>Best Cinematography</u>	<u>Zac Nicholson</u>	Nominated	
		<u>Best Costume Design</u>	<u>Suzie Harman and Robert Worley</u>	Won	
		<u>Best Editing</u>	<u>Mick Audsley and Peter Lambert</u>	Nominated	
		<u>Best Make Up &amp; Hair Design</u>	<u>Karen Hartley-Thomas</u>	Nominated	
		<u>Best Production Design</u>	<u>Cristina Casali</u>	Won	
<u>London Film Week Awards</u>	1 December 2019	<u>Best Film</u>	<u>Armando Iannucci</u>	Nominated	
		<u>Best Screenplay</u>	<u>Armando Iannucci and Simon Blackwell</u>	Won	
<u>British Academy Film Awards</u>	<u>2 February 2020</u>	<u>Best Casting</u>	<u>Sarah Crowe</u>	Nominated	
<u>Boulder International Film Festival Awards</u>	5 March 2020	<u>Best Feature Film</u>	<u>Armando Iannucci</u>	Won	
<u>European Film Awards</u>	<u>12 December 2020</u>	<u>Best Production Designer</u>	<u>Cristina Casali</u>	Won	
<u>St. Louis Film Critics Association Awards</u>		<u>Best Production Design</u>	<u>Cristina Casali</u>	Nominated	
<u>Satellite Awards</u>	<u>15 February 2021</u>	<u>Best Motion Picture – Comedy or Musical</u>		Nominated	[37]
		<u>Best Actor in a Motion Picture – Comedy or Musical</u>	<u>Dev Patel</u>	Nominated	
		<u>Best Costume Design</u>	<u>Suzie Harman and Robert Worley</u>	Won	

		<u>Best Art Direction and Production Design</u>	Cristina Casali and Charlotte Dirickx	Nominated	
<u>Golden Globe Awards</u>	<u>28 February 2021</u>	<u>Best Actor in a Motion Picture – Musical Comedy</u>	Dev Patel	Nominated	[38]
<u>Hollywood Critics Association Awards</u>	<u>5 March 2021</u>	<u>Best Comedy/Musical</u>		Nominated	[39][40]
		<u>Best Costume Design</u>	Suzie Harman and Robert Worley	Won	
		<u>Best Production Design</u>	Cristina Casali	Nominated	
<u>Critics' Choice Movie Awards</u>	<u>7 March 2021</u>	<u>Best Costume Design</u>	Suzie Harman and Robert Worley	Nominated	[41]
		<u>Best Production Design</u>	Cristina Casali and Charlotte Dirickx	Nominated	
<u>Casting Society of America</u>	<u>15 April 2021</u>	<u>Feature Big Budget – Comedy</u>	Sarah Crowe	Nominated	[42]

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