

Mercy (2023 film)

Mercy is a 2023 American action film written by Alex Wright, directed by Tony Dean Smith and starring Leah Gibson, Jonathan Rhys Meyers, and Jon Voight.^[1] It follows the doctor, a former military, who must protect the patient when the Irish mob takes over the hospital to go after the latter.

Plot

Two years ago, Michelle Miller's husband Jeffrey died in a bomb explosion in front of her while serving in Afghanistan. She now works as a casualty surgeon at Mercy Hospital, and lives with her son Bobby.

Meanwhile, FBI agents McBride and Ellis have arrested Ryan Quinn, a member of the Irish mob the *Quinn Gang Brotherhood*. His brother Sean and father Patrick "Paddy" and family are responsible for committing a series of crimes in the United States.

While bringing Ryan into custody, Sean and his henchmen – Johnno, Danny, and Mick – ambush the convoy, killing most of the agents and wounding McBride. Sean shoots Ryan twice at close range. Ellis escapes and brings McBride and Ryan to the hospital.

The Quinns go to the hospital to get Ryan out. As they arrive, they kill the receptionist and take the visitors and staff hostage, while Michelle hides Bobby inside her locker. McBride manages to hide Ryan in the upper floor of the building. While searching for Ryan, Sean kills McBride by disconnecting his ventilator.

The police arrive at the scene but Sean threatens to kill every hostage if they attempt to storm the hospital. Using her combat skills, Michelle kills Mick after a struggle. Bobby is found and is taken hostage. Paddy calls Michelle to exchange Ryan for Bobby. Sean puts a bomb vest on security guard and Michelle's friend Frank and relays the message to the police not to intervene before Sean activates the bomb, killing Frank.

Paddy confronts Sean for jeopardizing the job. So he reveals to his father that Ryan has tipped off their illegal business to the FBI, hence he's going after Ryan. Michelle finds Danny making a bomb and, after a struggle, kills him.

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Theatrical release poster

Directed by	<u>Tony Dean Smith</u>
Written by	Alex Wright
Produced by	Charles Cooper
Starring	<u>Leah Gibson</u> <u>Jonathan Rhys Meyers</u> <u>Jon Voight</u>
Cinematography	Adam Sliwinski
Edited by	Shaun Lang
Music by	Matthew Rogers
Production companies	Mercy Road Front Street Pictures
Distributed by	<u>Paramount Global Content Distribution</u>
Release date	May 12, 2023
Running time	85 minutes

Michelle exchanges Ryan for Bobby in the morgue, soon having Bobby back in her arms. Ryan reveals to Paddy that Sean shot him point blank. Their father confronts Sean about it, stating that he will never forgive him. Then Sean blames him for his mother's death, which was due to his negligence. Paddy attacks Sean, who shoots his father in the abdomen. Before losing consciousness, Paddy repents failing Sean as a father. The police storm the building, kill the remaining henchmen and rescue the hostages.

Country	United States
Language	English

Ellis kills Johnno after the latter attempts to catch Bobby, who escapes into the tunnel. Sean shoots Michelle, knocking her unconscious momentarily, before activating the timed bomb and escaping. Recovering, she diffuses it before heading to the tunnel where Sean has taken Bobby hostage. Bobby stomps on Sean's feet and runs, allowing Michelle to kill him.

Ryan and Paddy are taken to another hospital, and Ellis commends Michelle for her bravery before she heads home with Bobby.

Cast

- Leah Gibson as Michelle
- Jonathan Rhys Meyers as Sean Quinn
- Jon Voight as Patrick "Paddy" Quinn
- Sebastien Roberts as Ellis
- Anthony Konechny as Ryan Quinn
- Patrick Roccas as Johnno
- Anthony Bolognese as Bobby
- Bradley Stryker as Mick
- Caitlin Stryker as Agent Cruz
- Mark Masterton as Danny
- Ryan Russell as Nurse Kevin
- Bobby Stewart as Dr. Terrence
- Marc-Anthony Massiah as Frank

Release

The film was released in theaters on May 12, 2023 and digitally on May 19, 2023.^[2] It was also released on demand on June 2, 2023.^{[3][4]} It was originally going to be released in theaters on May 19.^[5]

Reception

Jeffrey M. Anderson of Common Sense Media awarded the film two stars out of five.^[6]

Accolades

At the 44th Golden Raspberry Awards, Jon Voight won Worst Actor.^[7]

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