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Sing Sing (2023 film)

Sing Sing is a 2023 American drama film directed by Greg Kwedar, who co-wrote the screenplay with Clint Bentley.^[1] Based on the real-life Rehabilitation Through the Arts program at Sing Sing maximum security prison, the film centres on a group of inmates involved in the creation of theatrical stage shows through the program.^[2] It stars professional actors Colman Domingo and Paul Raci, alongside many real-life formerly incarcerated men who were themselves alumni of the program during their incarceration, including Clarence "Divine Eye" Maclin and Sean San José.^[2]

The film premiered in the Special Presentations program at the 2023 Toronto International Film Festival.^[3] The film is scheduled to be released by A24 in the United States on July 12, 2024.

Premise

A small group of prisoners inside Sing Sing Correctional Facility, one of the world's most infamous maximum security prisons, attempt to stage their own original production, "Breakin' The Mummy's Code."

Cast

- Colman Domingo as John "Divine G" Whitfield
- Clarence "Divine Eye" Maclin as himself
- Sean San José as Mike Mike
- Paul Raci as Brent Buell
- David "Dap" Giraudy
- Patrick "Preme" Griffin
- Jon-Adrian Velazquez as Blaze
- Sean "Dino" Johnson

Release

The film premiered in the Special Presentations program at the 2023 Toronto International Film Festival, where it was picked up by A24.^[4]

<i>Sing Sing</i>	
 <div>Theatrical release poster</div>	
Directed by	Greg Kwedar
Screenplay by	Clint Bentley Greg Kwedar
Story by	Clint Bentley Greg Kwedar Clarence "Divine Eye" Maclin John "Divine G" Whitfield
Based on	<i>The Sing Sing Follies</i> by John H. Richardson <i>Breakin' The Mummy's Code</i> by Brent Buell
Produced by	Monique Walton Clint Bentley Greg Kwedar
Starring	<u>Colman Domingo</u>

The film is scheduled to be released in the United States in limited theaters on July 12, 2024, followed by a wide release on August 2.^[5]

Reception

On the review aggregator website Rotten Tomatoes, 96% of 27 critics' reviews are positive, with an average rating of 9.3/10.^[6]

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	Clarence "Divine Eye" Maclin <div>Sean San José</div> <div>Paul Raci</div>
Cinematography	Pat Scola
Edited by	Parker Laramie
Music by	Bryce Dessner
Production companies	<div>Black Bear Pictures</div> <div>Marfa Peach Company</div> <div>Edith Productions</div>
Distributed by	A24
Release dates	<div>September 10, 2023</div> <div>(TIFF)</div> <div>July 12, 2024</div> <div>(United States)</div>
Running time	105 minutes
Country	United States
Language	English