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Trap (2024 film)

Trap is an upcoming American psychological mystery thriller film written and directed by M. Night Shyamalan. The film stars Josh Hartnett, Ariel Donoghue, Saleka Shyamalan, Hayley Mills, and Allison Pill. Its plot revolves around a serial killer who attends a concert with his daughter only to realize the police have targeted him at the venue.

Trap is scheduled to be released in the United States by Warner Bros. Pictures on August 9, 2024.

Premise

Cooper, a serial killer dubbed "The Butcher" joins his daughter at a concert for pop star Lady Raven, but the Butcher realizes the concert is a trap set by the police to catch him.^[1]

Cast

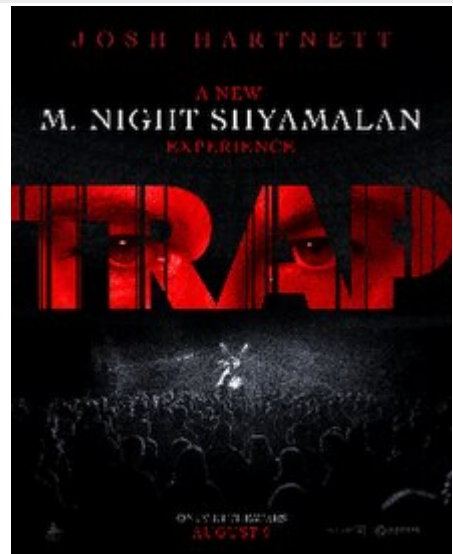
- Josh Hartnett as Cooper
- Ariel Donoghue as Riley
- Saleka Shyamalan as Lady Raven
- Hayley Mills
- Alison Pill
- Marnie McPhail
- Vanessa Smythe

Production

In October 2022, it was reported that Universal Pictures had set M. Night Shyamalan's next film after the release of *Knock at the Cabin* for an April 2024 release.^[2] The title of the film was revealed to be *Trap* in February 2023, as Shyamalan announced that he was entering a first-look deal with competing studio Warner Bros.^[3] Marc Bienstock and Ashwin Rajan produced the film with Shyamalan.^[4]

Principal photography was scheduled to begin in Cincinnati, Ohio in August 2023,^[5] where it would have received over \$9 million in tax credits from the state to film there.^[6] Due to Shyamalan producing and financing his own films, the production was granted an interim agreement to be allowed to film during the 2023 SAG-AFTRA strike.^[7] Under the working title *Good Grades*, filming

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Teaser poster

Directed by	<u>M. Night Shyamalan</u>
Written by	<u>M. Night Shyamalan</u>
Produced by	<u>M. Night Shyamalan</u> <u>Marc Bienstock</u> <u>Ashwin Rajan</u>
Starring	<u>Josh Hartnett</u> <u>Ariel Donoghue</u> <u>Saleka Shyamalan</u> <u>Hayley Mills</u> <u>Alison Pill</u>
Cinematography	<u>Sayombhu Mukdeeprom</u>
Edited by	<u>Noëmi Preiswerk</u>
Music by	<u>Herdís Stefánsdóttir</u>
Production company	<u>Blinding Edge Pictures</u>

took place in Toronto from October 16 to December 8, 2023.^[7]^[4] The film's pop concert venue known as "Tanaka Arena" was filmed inside FirstOntario Centre with Rogers Centre used as the venue's exterior.^[8]

Distributed by	<u>Warner Bros. Pictures</u>
Release date	August 9, 2024
Country	United States
Language	English

Release

Trap is scheduled to be released in the United States by Warner Bros. Pictures on August 9, 2024.^[9] It was previously scheduled to be released on August 2.^[3] It will be Shyamalan's first film with the studio since *Lady in the Water* (2006).

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