

# The Call (2020 American film)

***The Call*** is a 2020 American horror film directed by Timothy Woodward Jr. and starring Lin Shaye, Tobin Bell, Erin Sanders, and Chester Rushing.<sup>[3][4]</sup> The film was written by Patrick Stibbs.<sup>[5]</sup>

## Premise

After the unexpected death of an elderly woman suspected to be a witch, a group of friends who tormented her are forced to call a phone installed in her casket. To their horror someone on the other end picks up and shows them what Hell really looks like.<sup>[6]</sup>

## Cast

- Lin Shaye as Edith Cranston
- Tobin Bell as Edward Cranston
- Chester Rushing as Chris
- Erin Sanders as Tonya
- Mike C. Manning as Zack
- Sloane Morgan Siegel as Brett
- Judd Lormand as Harliss

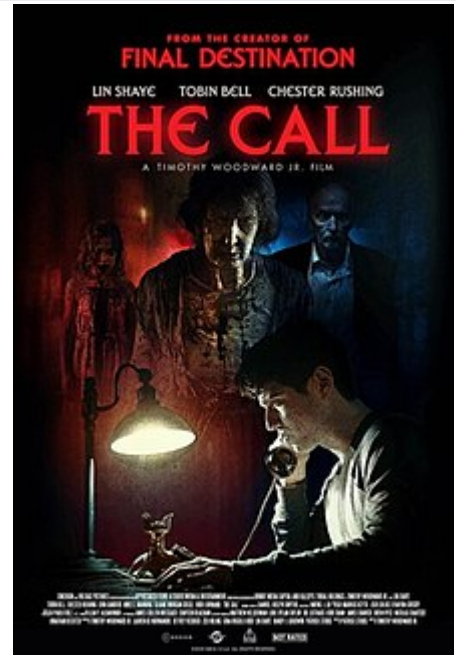
## Release

The film was released theatrically in the United States on October 2, 2020 and on VOD on October 30, 2020.<sup>[7]</sup> It released on Blu-ray on December 15, 2020.<sup>[8]</sup>

## Reception

The film received generally negative reviews.<sup>[9][10][11][12]</sup> On Rotten Tomatoes, *The Call* has an approval rating of 44% and an average rating of 5.2/10, based on 25 reviews. The website's critical consensus states: "Some horror fans and '80s enthusiasts may answer *The Call*, although a lack of genuine scares and an overload of genre tropes will leave most struggling to maintain the connection."<sup>[13]</sup>

### The Call



Theatrical release poster

<b>Directed by</b>	<u>Timothy Woodward Jr.</u>
<b>Written by</b>	<u>Patrick Stibbs</u>
<b>Produced by</b>	<u>Jeffrey Reddick</u> <u>Patrick Stibbs</u> <u>Zebulun Huling</u> <u>Gina Rugolo</u> <u>James Cullen Bressack</u> <u>Randy J. Goodwin</u>
<b>Starring</b>	<u>Lin Shaye</u> <u>Tobin Bell</u> <u>Chester Rushing</u>
<b>Cinematography</b>	<u>Pablo Diez</u>
<b>Edited by</b>	<u>Wayne J. Liu</u>
<b>Music by</b>	<u>Samuel Joseph Smythe</u>

Drew Tinnin of Dread Central awarded the film three stars out of five.<sup>[14]</sup>

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<b>Production companies</b>	<u>Voltage Pictures</u> <div>Appreciated Films</div> Status Media & Entertainment
<b>Distributed by</b>	<u>Cinedigm</u>
<b>Release date</b>	October 2, 2020
<b>Running time</b>	97 minutes
<b>Country</b>	United States
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Box office</b>	\$1,591,194 <sup>[1][2]</sup>

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