

# Bruiser (2022 film)

***Bruiser*** is a 2022 American drama film that written by Ben Medina and Miles Warren, directed by Warren and starring Trevante Rhodes, Shamier Anderson, Jalyn Hall and Shinelle Azoroh.

## Cast

- Trevante Rhodes as Porter
- Shamier Anderson as Malcolm
- Jalyn Hall as Darius
- Shinelle Azoroh as Monica

## Release

The film premiered at the Toronto International Film Festival in September 2022.<sup>[1]</sup> It was announced that same month that *Bruiser* was the first narrative feature film to be acquired by Onyx Collective.<sup>[2]</sup> It was released by Hulu in the United States on February 24, 2023.<sup>[3]</sup>

## Reception

### Critical response

On the review aggregator website Rotten Tomatoes, 100% of 23 critics' reviews are positive, with an average rating of 7.7/10.<sup>[4]</sup> Metacritic gave the film a weighted average score of 81 out of 100 based on 10 critic reviews, indicating "generally favorable reviews".<sup>[5]</sup>

Peter Debruge of *Variety* gave the film a positive review and wrote, "Insightful and universal in so many ways, Warren's first feature is a confident if sometimes oblique coming-of-age story from an important new voice..."<sup>[6]</sup> Lovia Gyarkye of *The Hollywood Reporter* also gave the film a positive review, calling it "A mellow and compelling spin on a familiar story."<sup>[7]</sup> Alex

### *Bruiser*



Official release poster

<b>Directed by</b>	Miles Warren
<b>Written by</b>	Ben Medina Miles Warren
<b>Produced by</b>	<span><span>Aaron Ryder</span></span> <span><span>Jewel Ross</span></span> <span><span>Scott Lumpkin</span></span> <span><span>Scott Frank</span></span> <span><span>Trevante Rhodes</span></span>
<b>Starring</b>	<span><span>Trevante Rhodes</span></span> <span><span>Shamier Anderson</span></span> <span><span>Jalyn Hall</span></span> <span><span>Shinelle Azoroh</span></span>
<b>Cinematography</b>	<span><span>Justin Derry</span></span>
<b>Edited by</b>	<span><span>James LeSage</span></span>
<b>Music by</b>	<span><span>Robert Ouyang</span></span> <span><span>Rusli</span></span>
<b>Production companies</b>	<span><span>Ryder Picture Company</span></span> <span><span>Lyrical Media</span></span> <span><span>Toula67</span></span> <span><span>Entertainment</span></span>

Saveliev of *Film Threat* rated the film a 9 out of 10 and wrote, "Warren's film may leave you bruised, but don't let that stop you from seeking it out."<sup>[8]</sup>

Accolades

Distributed by	Onyx Collective Hulu
Release dates	September 2022 (Toronto)  February 24, 2023 (Hulu)
Running time	97 minutes
Country	United States
Language	English

Year	Award	Category	Nominee(s)	Result	Ref.
2023	AAFCA Awards	Emerging Face	Jalyn Hall	Won	<sup>[9]</sup> <sup>[10]</sup>
	Independent Spirit Awards	Best Supporting Performance	Trevante Rhodes	Nominated	<sup>[11]</sup>
2024	Black Reel Awards for Television	Outstanding Supporting Performance in a TV Movie/Limited Series		Nominated	<sup>[12]</sup>

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