

# [***Controversial Sound Of Freedom Coming To Amazon Prime Next Month***](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:69JF-SXX1-DXVP-50M4-00000-00&context=1516831)

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**Highlight:** The box office hit has made $184 million in North America and $242 million around the world since it was released in July.

**Body**

**Topline**

Controversialsummer box office hit Sound of Freedom will be streaming on Prime Video in the U.S. starting on December 26 after the streaming service acquired the rights for the film, despite earlier conspiracy theories that falsely suggested the film was banned from streaming platforms.

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VINEYARD, UTAH - JUNE 28: Tim Ballard attends the premiere of "Sound of Freedom" on June 28, 2023 in Vineyard, Utah. (Photo by Fred Hayes/Getty Images for Angel Studios)

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**Key Facts**

The film, which isbased on the storyof a former government agent s mission to rescue children from sex trafficking, was released on July 4, and has made $184 million in North America and $242 million worldwide,according to Variety.

Sound of Freedom was the first post-pandemic independent release to gross over $100 million in the U.S. and Canada,Variety reported, adding the film is in 10th place for the largest domestic film this year.

After the film was released, it placedamongthe top at the box office alongside big-budget films like Indiana Jones: Dial of Destiny and Insidious: The Red Door**.**

It was popular among right-wing audiences, and wasunder scrutinyfor its real-life mainsubject, and itslead actor stiesto QAnon.

In August, Vulturereportedthe film was garnering interest from streaming platforms, and that distributor Angel Studios was talking to subscription services and ad-supported streamers.

Angel Studios did not immediately respond to a request for comment about the deal with Prime Video.

**Key Background**

The main subject of the film, Tim Ballard, is a former Homeland Security agentwho foundedOperation Underground Railroad, which carries outsting operationsto rescue child sex trafficking victims. However, OUR wasinvestigated by Vice, which claimed the operation was overexaggerating its work. Law enforcement agencies also said theireffortswith the organization were insubstantial. Angel Studios hasdenied Sound of Freedom has anything to do with conspiracy theories and ***politics***. The film was partially crowdfunded by Angel Studios, which acquired distribution rights to the film earlier this year, andlauncheda pay it forward program for people to buy tickets to the film for other people addingto the film s financial success.

**Tangent**

In August, a false post on X, formerly known as Twitter,claimedNetflix and Amazon Prime turned down the film, and the platforms wereaccusedof being against the film that s about protecting kids.

**Further Reading**

Box Office Hit Sound Of Freedom Controversy Including QAnon Ties And False Claims Theaters Are Sabotaging Screenings Explained(**Forbes**)

No, Sound Of Freedom Hasn t Been Banned From Netflix And Other Growing False Conspiracies About The Controversial Film(**Forbes**)

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