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HollywoodGlee Holiday Films for 2024, Itâ??s a Wonderful Life (1946)

Description

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â??An angel is sent from Heaven to help a desperately frustrated businessman by showing him what life would have been like if he had never existed.â?• â?? IMDb

Itâ??s a Wonderful Life from Frank Capra is a bona fide (Latin for â??good faithâ?•) holiday classic. But it wasnâ??t always so. The film opened to mixed reviews at the Globe Theatre in New York city, on December 20th, 1946. Time Magazine, however, referred to the film as kind of â??a wonderful film.â?•

When the film was released WWII had just ended and several universal truths came shining through â?? hope, redemption, and the loving hand of a sovereign God at work in creating a wonderful life for George Bailey.

It was also the beginning of the Red Scare. Some critics considered the film as subversive due to its negative depiction of a banker, Mr. Potter.

George shows Burt the Cop ZuZuâ??s petals.

Over the decades since, however, Capraâ??s film has grown in popularity and is one of the most beloved Christmas films of all-time.

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