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Thread: [Civil War \(2024\) *Possible Spoilers*](#)

HALx86 - April 21, 2024, 12:09 am

I'm going to try and leave this without spoilers and stick to just what can be seen in the multiple trailers but something may come out.

So I watched Civil War earlier today. I'm not a big cinema goer, the big screen is too much for me, but I decided to go after reading a bunch of views from the actors.

I really enjoyed the premise. I think a 2nd in the Civil War in the USA is a believable concept and I agree with the need for more discussion that the movie was reported to promote. The movie ends up being a movie showcasing the horrors of war and showcasing it in an American background; a location that has been safe from war for 100+ years. Many parts of the movie point to a dictatorship (3 term president, abolishment of the FBI, no journalists within DC, etc). It has several calls to modern groups and events.

Unfortunately, I think the movie is too short to express all of its views. The movie does a bad job of explaining what all is going on. I think this may be by design in order to feel more chaotic but I would have enjoyed more discussion/information on what lead to this state and what each faction is fighting for. You basically follow a team of journalists and see only what they see in the movie. The journalists, IMO, seem more into the adrenaline of being a war journalist and much less into bringing it to other people. I won't go into any spoilers but there's a moment where one of them mention "journalism isn't asking questions, it's letting stuff play out" but at the same time they're traveling the country to ask people questions(??).

I did enjoy the multiple juxtapose of historical American images against modern military equipment. I think the movie did a good work with the music and sounds, except I think it overused silence as an emphasis.

Overall, I would give it like a 7.6/10. I thought it was a good movie and worth a watch. I think it brings some interesting ideas on what a Civil War in the modern day may look like. Unfortunately, I don't think it does the job of bringing discourse to the forefront and I think it falls short of being the epic I was led to believe. I'd watch it again but I'm not paying for it.

Have you seen it? Any thoughts?

kane2026 - April 26, 2024, 3:28 am

I enjoyed that Civil War is short, makes for a breath of fresh air. In fact, as the characters are on a road trip through hell the short duration and the de-emphasized background story gives it an eerie improvisation feel like war could happen anywhere. I could go on praising this movie but you guys should just go and watch it.

PS, I have seen most of Alex Garland's work and I am starting to develop a theory. This guy has a type, that being petite brunette, preferably with short hair. Think about it, Cailee Spaeny, Sonoya Mizuno, Natalie Portman, Alicia Vikander and Jessie Buckley (when she has brown hair).

LTC - May 1, 2024, 1:57 pm

Gonna watch it with my Dad gonna update yall about my opinion

jerry_tommy34 - May 1, 2024, 5:47 pm

My somewhat tongue-in-cheek take is that the main message of the movie is that young and naive people are dangerous and if not properly ...

SHADE™ - May 3, 2024, 1:18 pm

Ok, so I live in an inner city. I watched Civil War and it really opened my eyes to a perspective that I knew a little about. My heart hurt for a country. People at work and my friends online are all talking about it as something that could happen as to the current political climate. It reminded me of the news on January 6th. I was lost on me, how so many people were tearing the capitol apart. I knew that America had angry people, but I never imagined.

I wanted to know why they were that Angry. I searched around to find more and I found this documentary: It talks about a bombing that happened in the early 90s.

<https://youtu.be/Iz1DlykhLAo> : An American Bombing: The Road to April 19th | Official Trailer ... its literally on HBO

This is the preview.