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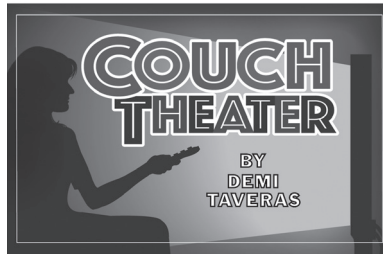
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Photo Caption: Aiysha Hart, left, and Anthony

Mackie star in “Desert Warrior.”



**“The Whisper Man”** (R) — Based on the novel by Alex North, this crime thriller film, premiering Aug. 28, was produced by the Russo Brothers (“Avengers: Endgame”) and stars Robert De Niro (“The Alto Knights”), Michelle Monaghan (“The White Lotus”), and Adam Scott (“Severance”). Although it’s deemed a crime thriller, it’s got the tone of a full-on horror flick, and with the dark subject matter at hand, it’s sure to keep the hairs on your arms standing. Scott portrays Tom, a widowed father to an 8-year-old son, who decides to move his family to a quiet town named Featherbank to start anew. Featherbank, however, used to be tormented by a serial killer named the Whisper Man, and somehow, the killer has escaped. Tom’s son is subsequently taken, leaving him with no choice but to reach out to his estranged father, a detective named Pete (De Niro), to help find the missing boy. (Netflix)

**“The Last Sunrise”** (R) — Maia Reficco from the rebooted “Pretty Little Liars” series leads this steamy romantic drama premiering Aug. 26! Based on the 2025 novel of the same name, “The Last Sunrise” follows Ry, a young American woman who accompanies her mother, Isolde (Eva Longoria), on a business trip to Majorca, Spain. With health issues weighing her down mentally, Ry isn’t expecting much out of this trip ... until she meets a local boy named Julian (Fernando Lindez). A passionate affair between the two is inevitable, but their romance gets threatened when Isolde reveals to Ry that she needs to buy out Julian’s family’s docks to bring her business deal to fruition. (Amazon Prime Video)

**“Girls Like Girls”** (R) — Actress and singer Hayley Kiyoko got her start in the 2011 film “Lemonade

Mouth,” a Disney Channel original film. Since then, she’s had a steady career in music, film and TV. In 2015, she released the song “Girls Like Girls” with a music video that’s somewhat of a sneak peek of the new “Girls Like Girls” film, which just released on Peacock. This coming-of-age drama film is directed by Kiyoko and stars Maya da Costa (“Descendants: Wicked Wonderland”) and Myra Molloy (“He’s All That”). Da Costa plays 17-year-old Coley, who begins a new chapter of her life in rural Oregon with her estranged father, Curtis (Zach Braff). Soon after she moves, Coley meets another girl named Sonya (Molloy), and they form a deep emotional connection that’s bound to leave one girl heartbroken. (Peacock)



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**Aiysha Hart, left, and Anthony Mackie star in “Desert Warrior.”**

**“Desert Warrior”** (R) — AGC Studios made an interesting choice in producing a \$150-million historical-action film led by Anthony Mackie (“Captain America: Brave New World”). While Mackie is incredibly talented, his latest “Captain America” installment didn’t fill theater seats like Chris Evans’ previous three films, and “Desert Warrior” didn’t even make \$1 million at the box office. Still, this film could be a great choice for those who enjoy period-piece action films. Mackie takes on the role of Hanzala, a legendary bandit in 7th-century Asia who agrees to assist an exiled princess in her revolution against a tyrannical empire. Not only must he unite tribes against Emperor Kisra (Ben Kingsley), but he must also face the emperor’s ruthless soldier Jalabzeen (Sharlto Copley) in direct combat. Premieres Aug. 28. (Hulu)

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