

Arts & Entertainment

Summer music scene

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Greensboro:

Comedian Jeff Dunham's "Spark of Insanity" Tour
7 p.m. Thursday June 26
Greensboro Coliseum Complex
Tickets \$41.50
Visit www.greensborocoliseum.com

Burger King presents
SUPERJAM
7:30 p.m. Friday June 27
Greensboro Coliseum Complex
Tickets \$10-\$28.50
Visit www.greensborocoliseum.com

Michael McDonald
8 p.m. Thursday July 17
Greensboro Coliseum Complex
Tickets \$39.50-\$49.50
Visit www.greensborocoliseum.com

Joshua Radin and Vanessa Carlton
8 p.m. Friday July 25
Greene Street Club
Tickets \$15
Visit www.greenestreetclub.com

Raleigh:

All events held at the Time Warner Cable Music Pavilion

Dave Matthews Band with Michael Franti and Spearhead
7 p.m. Wednesday July 2
Tickets \$32.50-\$62.50
Visit www.livenation.com/raleigh

Brad Paisley with Jewel, Chuck Wicks and Julianne Hough
7:30 p.m. Friday July 19
Tickets \$25-\$54.25
Visit www.livenation.com/raleigh

Miller Lite presents 311 and Snoop Dogg
7 p.m. Wednesday July 23
Tickets \$30-\$40
Visit www.livenation.com/raleigh

Miller Lite presents Projekt Revolution Tour starring Linkin Park
2 p.m. Friday July 25
Tickets \$20.75-\$60.75
Visit www.livenation.com/raleigh



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Maroon 5 and Counting Crows
7 p.m. Tuesday July 29
Tickets \$23.50-\$66
Visit www.livenation.com/raleigh

Avril Lavigne and The Jonas Brothers
7 p.m. Wednesday July 30
Tickets \$27.50-\$79.50
Visit www.livenation.com/raleigh

Rascal Flatts with Taylor Swift
8 p.m. Saturday Aug. 2
Tickets \$31-\$75.75
Visit www.livenation.com/raleigh

Journey
7 p.m. Sunday Aug. 10
Tickets \$23.50-\$125
Visit www.livenation.com/raleigh

Jack Johnson
7 p.m. Tuesday Aug. 12
Tickets \$29-\$43.50
Visit www.livenation.com/raleigh

Kenny Chesney and LeAnn Rimes
7:30 p.m. Friday Aug. 22
Tickets \$37.50-\$75.75
Visit www.livenation.com/raleigh

John Mayer with One Republic
7:30 p.m. Wednesday Aug. 27
Tickets \$30-\$50.50
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Charlotte:

Chris Rock
8 p.m. Thursday June 26
Ovens Auditorium
Tickets \$44.50-\$74.50
Visit www.ovensauditorium.com

Vans Warped Tour
11 a.m. Monday July 14
Verizon Wireless Amphitheatre
Tickets \$23.50
Visit www.livenation.com/venue/getVenue/venueid/115

American Idols Tour
7:30 p.m. Sunday Aug. 17
Time Warner Cable Arena
Tickets \$39.50-\$68.50
Visit www.timewarnercablearena.com



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Cary:

Wilco with Bon Iver
7 p.m. Friday Aug. 8
Koka Booth Amphitheatre
Tickets \$22.50 for lawn, \$37.50 for reserved seating
Visit www.boothamphitheatre.com

Carrboro:

All events held at the Cat's Cradle



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Harry and the Potters
6:30 p.m. Tuesday July 1
Tickets \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door
Visit www.catscradle.com

She & Him featuring Zoey Deschanel and M. Ward
8:30 p.m. Monday July 28
Tickets \$16 in advance, \$18 at the door
Visit www.catscradle.com

Perpetual Groove
10 p.m. Friday Aug. 22
Tickets \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door
Visit www.catscradle.com

MOVIE REVIEW ★★★★★

New adaptation of 'Hulk' outshines 2003 original

Adam Constantine
Reviewer

Not too many movies get a second chance. After the 2003 edition of "The Hulk" showed us that it's not easy being green, creator Stan Lee decided to give "The Incredible Hulk" a round two.

And what a round it is.

Bruce Banner (Edward Norton) is a scientist on the run. One of his disastrous experiments has caused him to shun the life he once knew and seek a life of solitude, including leaving the love of his life, Betty Ross (Liv Tyler). He makes this choice for two reasons. He needs to find a cure, and he will not risk what could be sheer destruction and mayhem if he stays and tries to live a normal life in the city.

The experiment that he lost control of lives inside him, and when unleashed he can only hope the beast within will not kill everything in its path. The second reason could be even more costly. The U.S. Army led by Betty's father, General Thaddeus Ross (William Hurt), wants to capture Bruce, not to help him but to use what he has as a weapon.

He spends the beginning of the film evading and eluding his would-be captors through a run-down town



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Edward Norton stars as the title character in "The Incredible Hulk," a second shot at the comic book franchise after the failure of Ang Lee's 2003 adaptation.

in South America. When it seems that he has nowhere else to run, the circumstances give him no other choice. Enter the Hulk.

In spectacular fashion the Hulk smashes onto the screen in all of his anger, rage and greenish glory. But there is an element the Hulk carries that takes the movie to a new level. Although he is filled with the urge to destroy, there is a human element of compassion that is there alongside it all. Even while he is in a state in which he seems to be seething the barbaric thirst for carnage and violence, his higher intellect prevails several times throughout this film.

Any remake is a risky one especially for the actors. But this acting crew did a spectacular job in making this work show its full potential.

Being an avid Hulk fan growing up, Norton embraced playing the role of Bruce Banner and showed his tormented and conflicted identity well on the screen. The audience can feel the urgency and sense of frustration at trying to find a cure and applaud him when he realizes his ultimate destiny.

Tyler plays the brilliant scientist Betty Ross, whose strained relationship with her father and love for Bruce provides her with tough decisions that she must live with for the rest of her life. She plays a character that seems to be weak in the beginning (and whose voice takes a little getting used to) to a character that holds her own and makes the tough decisions necessary to survive.

Along with this year's "Iron Man," "Thor" (2010) and "Captain America" (2010), "The Incredible Hulk" is part of a string of movies that will be remembered during this decade as igniting the fire in the land of fantasy. The Hulk alludes to a meeting of several superheroes, including "Iron Man's" very own, Tony Stark (Robert Downey Jr.).