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Students choose favorite summer movies

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This year's favorite movies can be summed up in one word — variety. From the adventure of *The Abyss*, to the hilarity of *Uncle Buck*, each student found a summer movie that suited his personality.

Spike Lee's Do the Right Thing won the title of the favorite movie of the summer in each class. This movie depicted the racial tensions in the heart of New York City. However, not everyone was impressed by this movie. "It wasn't what I expected," commented senior Myra Brown, "I didn't like the racial violence."

racial violence." Batman was the second pick by all three classes. This cartoonbased movie, which starred Michael Keaton, Jack Nicholson, and Kim Basinger, was an action-packed trip through fictional Gotham City. Although the film was a much darker look at the caped crusader than was the 1960's Batman, this did not seem to affect its popularity.

Horror movies were another favorite with the student body. Friday the 13th Part 8: Jason takes Manhattan tied for third place in the sophomore and junior class. This addition to the long running Friday the 13th series featured Jason terrorizing a group of teenagers aboard a cruise ship headed to the Big Apple. Another top horror movie was Nightmare on Elm Street Part 5, The Dream Child. The latest installment in the Freddy Krueger series has Freddy finally becoming a father.

Even though there was a clear winner in the poll, each student had his own opinion. Weekend at Bernie's was not picked by many of the students polled, but junior Karen Cary still praised the movie. "I liked the plot. It was different from a lot of the other movies I saw this summer." Junior Amy Ellis picked Beaches as her favorite, "Because it showed true friendship." From horror to 'commentary to comedy, this

summer's movies offered something for everyone. Even though most students chose Do the Right Thing or Batman as their favorite,

there were many other movies listed by those polled. From the comedy of *Parenthood* to the

action of Lock Up, to the nostalgia of Shag, students this summer had a choice.

Rock reunions catch Carter-Finley by storm

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Two of the world's most memorable rock and roll bands in rock history left their mark on the Triangle area in 1989. The Who and The Rolling Stones included Raleigh's Carter-Finley Stadium in their summer/fall tours.

The first of the rock monsters to invade Carter-Finley was the reunited band The Who. Members Roger Daltrey, Pete Town-

shend, and John Entwistle played together for the first time this summer since 1984's Live Aid. This tour also marked the group's 25th anniversary. The band came together in 1964.

The Who played to a sold-out stadium. Many fans included avid Who followers, older generations who remember the band, and youngsters who were curious to see what all the fuss was about. The Who gave a command performance according to the viewers. They sounded like the original Who and even appeared to hide their age. However, at times their actions did not resemble the wild performers of the 60's. Guitarist Pete Townshend was noted in the 60's and the 70's for ending a performance by smashing his guitar on stage. Today he chooses to maintain a calmer and a more sensible approach.

Not included in the Carter-Finley performance was the rock opera Tommy. Tommy had not been performed since 1970 until they played the legendary opera in Manhattan's Radio City Music Hall on June 27. Selections in the Raleigh show ranged from tracks off the *Magic Bus* album to the *My Generation* LP.

Also playing in front of a sold out audience on Sept. 16 were The Rolling Stones. Unquestionably the most awaited concert in the area in years, The Stones concert brought ticket values up to \$500 for a single ticket. However, for a true Stones fan this was a small price Stones members Mick Jagger, Keith Richards, Ron Wood, Bill Wynan, and Charlie Watts took the stage soon after to electrify the crowd with selections from their latest LP *Steel Wheels*. The Stones, of course, dug down into their treasure of classics to perform hits such as "Satisfaction," "Start me up," "Ruby Tuesday" and "Jumpin' Jack Flash."

The key to the success of the summer tour was the truce between lead singer Jagger and guitarist Richards.





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