

## Million Dollar Baby not like other boxing films

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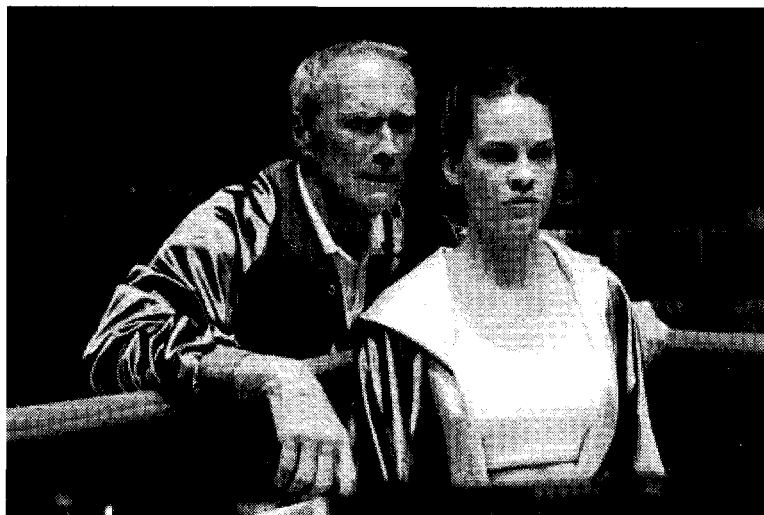


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Clint Eastwood and Hilary Swank star in *Million Dollar Baby*.

*Million Dollar Baby* has become the talk of town in Hollywood. After winning Oscars for Best Actress, Best Actor in a Supporting Role and Best Picture, Clint Eastwood has proved to the world that his career is far from over. *Million Dollar Baby* could easily be described as just another boxing movie, but that would be missing the entire point of the film.

While Maggie, the female boxer played by Hilary Swank, definitely shows off some very realistic boxing, the movie's touching relationship between Maggie and her trainer, Frankie, is the type of relationship one could only wish to have. Frankie, played by Clint Eastwood, is the owner of a run-down gym, and very reluctant to accept Maggie as one of his own students. Maggie's persistence and southern charm, however, win him over. Frankie's right hand man and employee, Eddie 'Scrap Iron'

Dupris, played by Morgan Freeman, is a wise and honorable man who believed in Maggie from the start. The chemistry between all three actors in this film is enough reason alone to see it.

If you think the ending to this film would be similar to what you'd see in a Rocky movie, then you would be wrong. The amazing twist to this story is one that is sure to give you a shock. *Million Dollar Baby* portrays love and connection between three amazing individuals that form a bond stronger than blood. Roger

Ebert, from the Chicago Sun-Times explains, *Million Dollar Baby* is the kind of film where "one finds the simplicity and directness of classical storytelling; it is the kind of movie where you sit very quietly in the theater and are drawn deeply into the lives that you care very much about."

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