

# Everything You Need to Know About the New 'Mary Poppins' Film

Next weekend, the widely-anticipated *Mary Poppins* releases in theaters across the country. Movieguide® had the pleasure of attending a press conference for Disney's newest movie that inspires audiences of all ages to find their inner child.

Emily Blunt (*A Quiet Place*, *Young Victoria*) takes over the role of Mary Poppins from Julie Andrews and spoke about what drew her to the character. "She leaped off the page at me just in how complicated she is, how unknowable she is in this wonderful way." She continued, "that duality of the character, you know, that she is stern, and she is incredibly rude, you know, and vain and, but like funny."

Underneath the surface of Mary's vanity, Blunt found something in the character that speaks to people of all ages. "There is this humanity, and she has to herself have such a childlike wonder in her in order to want to infuse these children's lives with it, and under there [must] be a generosity of spirit to want to fix and heal in the way that she does," Blunt said.

Lin-Manuel Miranda, best known for his Broadway musical *Hamilton*, reflected on his character Jack, who complements Dick Van Dyke's character from the 1964 movie. "He's in touch with that imagination you all see in your kids when they can play in their own imagination for hours." {eoa}

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