

‘Sound of Freedom’ Becomes No. 1 Movie in America: ‘Truly Awe-Inspiring’

The faith-based film about a former Homeland Security agent who embarks on a journey to rescue hundreds of children from sex traffickers is now the no. 1 movie in America, beating out summer blockbusters like “Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny”.

Angel Studio’s “Sound of Freedom” grossed \$14.2 million in sales on the July 4th holiday, landing it in the top slot at the box office.

Approximately \$2 million of those sales came through Pay it Forward Tickets—a patent-pending technology from Angel Studios that empowers moviegoers to purchase tickets for other people whom they want to see a particular film.

Film critics are predicting the movie could reach \$20 million in gross sales by the end of the week.

“From the very beginning, this movie had me choked up, tugging at my heartstrings. It effortlessly keeps you on the edge of your seat, igniting a fire of determination to see the bad guys brought to justice and the innocent children saved. I cannot recommend it enough—Jim Caviziel’s performance is truly awe-inspiring. You can feel the passion and dedication he poured into this role, leaving a lasting impression on your soul,” said one review about the film.

“Amazing movie and brilliantly made. It was a roller coaster ride with pure emotion and made you think of how people can do this dangerous and heroic job, which can bring you to tears of what they have to see and experience,” another review said.

Angel Studios is the streaming and distribution platform behind the film.

“Thanks to fans around the country, ‘Sound of Freedom’ earned the top spot as America’s number one movie on Independence Day. We’ve received numerous messages telling us theaters are either packed or sold out. This movie has now taken on a life of its own to become something more than that, a grassroots movement,” said Neal Harmon, CEO of Angel Studios.

Supporters say it is no surprise the new film is resonating with audiences as the family-friendly, movie-making powerhouse is behind “The Chosen”—the most successful crowdfunded project of all time.

That multi-season TV series about the life of Jesus Christ has become a smash hit that has been streamed more than 500 million times and has now been seen by more than 108 million people since Season 1.

When the series debuted the first two episodes of season 3 in theaters last year it snagged the third spot at the box office beating out DC Comics, Universal and Disney.

Now, Angel Studios’ adult thriller is scoring a high note with audiences. It topped \$10 million in pre-sales and has received a 85% approval rating on Rotten Tomatoes.

“That’s an impressive number for a movie that isn’t relying on a glossy big studio marketing campaign. It’s also another sign of the buying power of religious moviegoers, who helped propel this spring’s ‘Jesus Revolution’ to an improbable \$53 million at the global box despite the fact that the biggest star in that movie was Kelsey Grammar,” reported Variety.

“With an A+ CinemaScore rating, we’re the top-rated movie in America, and we’re going to see word-of-mouth spread even further going into the weekend. The world needs to see ‘Sound of Freedom’, and we know that our biggest competitive

advantage—our incredible fans and investors—are going to make sure that happens,” said Harmon.

As CBN News reported, the feature stars Jim Caviezel as federal agent Tim Ballard who had been working in the Child Crimes unit for 12 years, but was beginning to lose hope. He rescues a seven-year-old boy who was kidnapped, along with his sister, by brutal traffickers. When the boy asks Tim to find his sister, Tim discovers his life’s mission: rescuing children from sex slavery.

Academy Award winner Mira Sorvino and Bill Camp also star in the film.

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