

14th annual BG movie list

151 Movies watched by BG in 2019

Ratings: 1 = Honest Effort 2 = Worth Watching 3 = Highly Recommended 4 = Must See

In the order watched:	Year	Director	Rating	Note	page 1 of 6
The Equalizer	2014	Antoine Fuqua	2	Denzel being Denzel	
Raising Arizona	1987	J Coen, E Coen	3	Crazy couple wants a baybee	
National Treasure	2004	Jon Turteltaub	2	Nicholas Cage declares independence	
Green Book	2018	Peter Farrelly	2	Heartfelt compendium of wrongs and clichés	
Annihilation	2018	Alex Garland	2	A walk in the woods goes south	
The Adjustment Bureau	2011	George Nolfi	1	"Mysterious forces keep lovers apart." IMDB	
Glengarry Glen Ross	1992	James Foley	4	"Coffee's for closers only." Blake	
Taylor Swift: Reputation Stadium Tour	2018	Paul Dugdale	3	Girl just wants to have fun	
Free Solo	2018	J Chin, E C Vasarhelyi	3	Don't try this at home (documentary)	
A Private War	2018	M Heineman	2	Legendary war correspondant, Marie Colvin	
Fyre	2019	Chris Smith	2	The worst rock festival that never was	
Zodiac	2007	David Fincher	3	Killer on the loose	
The Wife	2017	Bjom Runge	1	Nobel Prize for dumb people	
Tully	2018	Jason Reitman	2	Charlize Theron figuring it out	
Out of the Past	1947	Jacques Toumeur	2	Faded film noir	
Can You Ever Forgive Me?	2018	Marielle Heller	3	Life on the edge; Mellisa McCarthy & Richard Grant's best work	
What Remains	2005	Steven Cantor	3	The life and (extraordinary) work of photographer Sally Mann (doc)	
Body Heat	1981	Lawrence Kasdan	4	"Gazebo." " Boathouse." " Boat." Matty Walker	
Free Solo	2018	J Chin, EC Vasarhelyi	3	Man lives in van; girlfriend wants house (doc)	
If Beale Street Could Talk	2018	Barry Jenkins	3	Beautiful heartbreak	
The Two Killings of Sam Cooke	2019	K Duane, J & M Zimbalist	2	Great singer comes to bad end (doc)	
The Favourite	2018	Curtis Graham	2	The bad and the beautiful	
Vice	2018	Adam McKay	2	Christian Bale plays Darth Vader	
Period. End of Sentence.	2018	Rayka Zehtabchi	2	A bloody business (doc)	
The Green Book Guide to Freedom	2019	Yoruba Richen	3	"The Essential Travel Guide for a Segregated America" (doc)	
The September Issue	2009	R J Cutler	3	Up close with Anna Wintour & associates (doc)	

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If Beale Street Could Talk	2018	Barry Jenkins	3	Based on book by James Baldwin	
Studio 54	2018	Matt Tymauer	2	Disco inferno in the 1970's (doc)	
Maria by Callas	2017	Tom Volf	3	The original diva (doc)	
McCabe & Mrs. Miller	1971	Robert Altman	4	"The film is a poem—an elegy for the dead." R. Ebert	
Dekalog pt 6 - Dziewiec	1989	Krzysztof Kieslowski	3	"Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor."	
The Inventor; Out for Blood in Silicon Valley	2019	Alex Gibney	3	Elizabeth Holmes may not be a real person (doc)	
Stan & Ollie	2018	Jon S Baird	3	Laurel & Hardy: "Interlocked for all eternity." A. Lane	
The Rolling Stones - Ole, Ole, Ole	2016	Paul Dugdale	2	The Stones play Havana (doc)	
Apollo 11	2019	Todd D Miller	2	Worked out better than Apollo 13	
Dr. Zhivago	1965	David Lean	3	Winter is coming	
The Case Against Adnan Sayed	2019	Amy Berg	3	Something smells in Baltimore (tv docu-series)	
Designing Woman	1957	Vincente Minnelli	2	This used to be better	
I'm Not There	2007	Todd Haynes	3	Cate Blanchett out Dylans Dylan	
Cold War	2019	Pwal Pawlikowski	2	Beautiful & bored in Poland	
Still Alice	2014	R Glatzer, W Westmoreland	2	A lot to lose	
All Things Are Photographable	2018	Sasha W Freyer	3	"The problem of the artist is to state the problem." Garry Winogrand (doc)	
Heaven Can Wait	1978	W Beatty, B Henry	4	Dead quarterback must win superbowl	
Pepe Le Moko	1937	Julien Duvivier	3	French realism predates film noir	
Schindler's List	1993	Steven Spielberg	4	"Who stole the chicken?" Krakow-Plaszow commandant Amon goth	
In the Line of Fire	1993	Wolfgang Petersen	2	Middle-aged love on the run	
Waiting for the Artist	2019	A Buono, R Thomas	3	Kate Blanchette does Marina Abramovic (Documentary Now! tv)	
High Maintenance - season 1	2016	B Sinclair, K Blichfeld	3	"Remarkable achievement of narrative efficiency." E Nussbaum (tv series)	
Truth	2015	James Vanderbilt	2	Dan Rather v. George W. Bush	
Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs	1937	W Cottrell, D Hand	3	Top grossing film of 1937	
Burning	2018	Chang-dong Lee	3	Playing with fire	
Pickpocket	1959	Robert Bresson	3	"Pickpocket takes place in an intellectual's Paris." Films of Robert Bresson	
Everybody Knows	2018	Ashqhar Farhadi	3	Penelope Cruz is always enough	
Seduced and Abandoned	2013	James Toback	3	There's no business like show business (doc)	
Reversal of Fortune	1990	Barbet Schroeder	3	The von Bülowes have a problem	

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The Palm Beach Story	1942	Preston Sturges	3	Classic screwball comedy	
The First Monday in May	2016	Andrew Rossi	3	Big deal party at the Met (doc)	
At the Heart of Gold	2016	Ellen Lee Carr	2	Good doc about sick doc (doc)	
Booksmart	2019	Olivia Wilde	3	Smart girls wise up	
The Verdict	1982	Sidney Lumet	4	Screenplay by David Mamet	
Warning by the Devil's Fire	2003	Charles Burnette	3	Episode 4 of Martin Scosese's tv series, "The Blues"	
Under the Wire	2018	Chris Martin	3	Feature companion to documentary "A Private War"	
Elton John: Rocket Man	2019	Dexter Fletcher	2	Great scene at the Troubadour in West Hollywood	
Up in the Air	2009	Jason Reitman	3	George Clooney falls hard for wrong woman	
Sideways	2004	Alexander Payne	3	Bachelor weekend in wine country	
Julie & Julia	2009	Nora Ephron	3	Two cooks, worlds apart	
White Material	2009	Claire Denis	3	Isabelle Huppert is tough as nails	
When They See Us	2019	Ava DuVernay	3	Heartbreaking view of American "justice" (tv mini series)	
The Central Park Five	2012	K Burns, S Burns	3	Heartbreaking view of American "justice" (doc)	
Sinatra in Palm Springs	2018	Leo Zahn	2	Where the Rat Pack relaxed (doc)	
The Framing of John Delorean	2019	D Argott, S Joyce	2	Quite a guy (doc)	
The Killers	1946	Robert Siodmak	3	Based on story by Ernest Hemingway	
Chemobyl	2019	Johan Renck	3	Bureaucrats gone fission (tv mini series created by Craig Mazin)	
Never Look Away	2018	FH von Donnersmarck	3	Loosely based on the life of German painter Gerhard Richter	
Accident	1967	Joseph Losey	1	"Sexual depression amid the beauty of Oxford." P Kael	
Murder Mystery	2019	Kyle Newacheck	1	Silly Funny	
The Front Runner	2018	Jason Reitman	1	Hart failure	
Great Expectations	1946	David Lean	3	Academy Award to Guy Green for best black and white cinematography	
Vicky Christina Barcelona	2008	Woody Allen	3	Girls gone wild	
Paddington 2	2017	Paul King	2	Teddy bear goes rogue	
The Pretenders Live at Rockpalast	1981	Westdeutscher Rundfunl	4	Chrissie Hynde & band at the height of their powers	
Yesterday	2019	Danny Boyle	2	One man cannot channel four Beatles	
The Quiet One	2019	Oliver Murray	2	One man can be Bill Wyman	
Monsieur Hulot's Holiday	1953	Jacques Tati	4	Comic genius	

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Memento	2000	Christopher Nolan	3	Best watched backward	
Flea Bag - season 1	2016	T Kirby, H Bradbeer	4	Based on Phoebe Waller-Bridge's one-woman show; 6 episodes	
Flea Bag - season 2	2019	Harry Bradbeer	4	Inspired by Phoebe Waller-Bridge's one-woman show; 6 episodes	
Isn't it Romantic	2019	Todd Strauss-Schulson	3	Rebel Wilson trapped inside a romantic comedy	
I Feel Pretty	2018	A Kohn, M Silverstein	2	Amy Schumer trapped inside a romantic comedy	
The Day We Walked on the Moon	2019	John Moulson	3	13 billion years in the making (doc)	
Years and Years	2019	SC Jones, L Mulcahy	2	Could have been better (tv series created by Russel T Davies)	
The Loudest Voice	2019	T McCarthy, A Metcalf	2	Toxic environment at Fox News (tv mini series)	
The Right Stuff	1983	Philip Kaufman	3	Corny but good	
16 Shots	2019	Rick Rowley	3	Assassination of Laquan McDonald by Chicago police officer (doc)	
Once Upon a Time in . . . Hollywood	2019	Quentin Tarantino	4	Best movie of 2019	
The Souvenir	2019	Joanna Hogg	2	"Vast framework of ideas gives rise to anecdotal movie." R Brody	
Empire of the Sun	1978	Steven Spielberg	4	Tom Stoppard screenplay based on J.G. Ballard novel	
Free Solo	2018	J Chin, EC Vasarhelyi	3	Alex Honnold has faulty fear receptors (doc)	
L.A. Story	1981	Mick Jackson	4	Freeway sign befriends Steve Martin	
The Sixth Sense	1999	M Night Shyamalan	3	Small boy sees (spoiler alert)	
Chinatown	1974	Roman Polanski	4	Perfect	
The Talented Mr. Ripley	1999	Anthony Minghella	3	Classic case of penis envy	
Give Me Liberty	2019	Kirill Mikhanovsky	3	Think of watching the movie "Speed" while on speed	
Echo in the Canyon	2018	Andrew Slater	3	Once upon a time . . . in Los Angeles (doc)	
The Dark Knight	2008	Christopher Nolan	3	Heath Ledger's finest moment	
Mid 90's	2018	Jonah Hill	3	Tough way to grow up	
Kundun	1997	Martin Scorsese	2	"Roger Deakins . . . has given it the look of an illuminated manuscript." S Holden	
Paranoid Park	2007	Gus Van Sant	4	Skateboarder has bad dream with killer soundtrack	
Crimes & Misdemeanors	1989	Woody Allen	4	Ophthalmologist can't see straight and his blind rabbi is no help	
The Descendants	2011	Alexander Payne	4	Trouble in paradise	
Untouchable	2018	Ursula Macfarlane	3	Powerful producer and disgusting man (doc)	
Hal (Ashby)	2018	Amy Scott	3	One of the great American directors of the 1970's (doc)	
Linda Rondstadt - The Sound of My Voice	2019	R Epsten, J Friedman	3	Amazing career of astonishing singer (doc)	

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The Judge	2014	David Dobkin	1	Bad use of good actors	
The Model Shop	1969	Jacques Demy	1	Gary Lockwood drives the streets of late '60s Hollywood	
Little Odessa	1994	James Gray	2	Who's kidding whom?	
Gentleman's Agreement	1947	Elia Kazan	1	Ham-handed	
Ad Astra	2019	James Gray	1	Fathers & sons in space; "More inert than compelling." C. Puig	
Passage to India	1984	David Lean	2	Last gasp of a British colony	
Official Secrets	2019	Gavin Hood	2	"I do not work for the British Government; I work for the British people." K Gun	
The Diplomat	2015	David Holbrooke	3	Extraordinary career, remarkable man (doc)	
Fargo	1996	J Coen, E Coen	4	"Prowler needs a jump." Marge Gunderson	
Judy	2019	Ruper Goold	2	"...part maternal melodrama, part martyr story." M. Dargis	
Late Night	2019	Nisha Ganatra	2	Emma Thompson and Mindy Kaling mix it up	
Maiden	2018	Alex Holmes	3	First all-female crew to enter round the world sailing race (doc)	
Thelonious Monk: Straight No Chaser	1988	Charlotte Zwerin	4	Genius at work (doc)	
El Camino: A Breaking Bad Movie	2019	Vince Gilligan	3	"The Dude Abides" applies, in this case, to Jesse Pinkman	
No Country For Old Men	2007	E Coen, J Coen	3	Bleak and bone chilling	
The Last Black Man in San Francisco	2019	Jack Talbot	3	Unusual, haunting, poetic	
Heartburn	1986	Mike Nichols	2	Novel and screenplay by Nora Ephron about her first marriage	
Sleepless in Seattle	1993	Nora Ephron	3	Made for a Saturday night	
Key Largo	1948	John Houston	2	Adapted from Maxwell Anderson's 1939 play	
The Player	1992	Robert Altman	3	Neo noir in tinsel town	
Pain & Glory	2019	Pedro Almodovar	4	Sublime	
Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw	2019	David Leitch	2	Dumb fun	
John Wick	2014	C Stahelski, D Leitch	1	All trailer; no movie	
Fast & Furious 7	2015	James Wan	2	More dumb fun	
The Last of the Mohicans	1992	Michael Mann	2	Western melodrama	
Jack Reacher	2012	C McQuarrie	1	Ridiculous	
The Irishman	2019	Martin Scorsese	4	Back to basics	
Once Upon a Time . . . in Hollywood	2019	Quentin Tarantino	4	The cars, the bars, the look and the light and the music	
Miracle on 34th Street	1947	George Seaton	3	Worth a third viewing	

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Thief	1981	Michael Mann	2	Score by Tangerine Dream	
Il Postino	1994	M Radford, M Troisi	3	"The beauty of the film is in its quietness." R Ebert	
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone	2001	Chris Columbus	2	Wishful thinking	
Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban	2004	Alfonso Cuaron	2	Wishful dreaming	
Little Women	2019	Greta Gerwig	3	". . . the tale of the birth of an artist." A Lane	
Bombshell	2019	Jay Roach	1	No fun	
It's a Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood	2019	Marielle Heller	3	"We don't call him Mr. Rogers at home." Mrs. Rogers	
Rear Window	1954	Alfred Hitchcock	3	One of Hitchcock's best movies	
What's Up, Doc?	1972	Peter Bogdanovich	3	Great fun	

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