

Marvel And DC Movie Crossover

There is no doubt that we are living through the peak of superhero movies. Marvel and DC have dominated the superhero movie industry ever since superhero movies came into the mainstream film industry. An ongoing debate lies between the Marvel and the DC fans as to which series is better and who would win if their respective superheroes had a "fight". On the other side, we have some fans who want DCEU and MCU to collaborate to make their dream superhero movie. On the 29th of July, 2021, James Gunn, the director of the movies Guardians of the Galaxy and Suicide Squad said that he would be really happy to do a Harley Quinn and Groot movie.

This got the fans excited. James has worked with both Marvel and DC and thus pitched a DC and Marvel crossover to both companies. It appears that both the respective companies are open to new ideas. James went on and continued that the only thing that is delaying the movie is legal issues. Gunn said that he is personally not a fan of crossovers and would rather focus on the story and characters. Both the head of Marvel and Warner Bros, Kevin Feige and Tobey Emmerich, respectively are excited to start the work on the movie. The question lies if they can solve the legal issues and if the movie will ever be possible or will it just remain as an idea that will drown in the deep wells of laws and courts.

Most of the hype about the crossovers carries over from the comics. Some iconic moments include Wonder Woman lifting Thor's hammer and Darkseid attempting to wield the Infinity Gauntlet. It has already happened four times in the comics. It started way back in 1976 when Superman and Spider-Man met in the aptly named comic "Superman vs The Amazing Spider-Man". Not so surprisingly, this comic was released jointly by Marvel and DC. The movies that the fans wait for are based on the later crossover in the comics, "DC vs Marvel" and "JLA/Avengers" in 1996 and 2003 respectively.

In short, both sides love their heroes. The rivalry between Marvel and DC has proved too much more serious than the compassion for Avengers and Justice League combined. A crossover could also affect the love the fans have for their favorite superheroes. Both companies are not willing to take the risk of losing a large part of their fan base just for a small percentage of comic fans. Combined with the legal complications, a crossover is extremely improbable.