

Space Jam: A New Legacy Review

It's almost been 25 years since the Looney Tunes and Michael Jordan teamed up to play some basketball in the 1997 film, Space Jam and we finally have a sequel, where, this time, it's now LeBron James teaming up with everyone's favorite anthropomorphic cartoon characters. So here is my review.

What I Liked

As is expected with any piece of entertainment starring the Looney Tunes, the best part of this movie are it's cartoony antics. The Looney Tunes take every possible opportunity to make a joke and it absolutely works. In fact, all of my favorite scenes are the ones that show the Looney Tunes being their hilarious selves. Whether it's the scene where Bugs and LeBron first meet each other or the portion of the film where they gather the Looney Tunes from all the different movie worlds including one of my all time favorite trilogies, Austin Powers! Or, best of all, the hour long basketball game where the Looney Tunes just let their personality shine for a game that doesn't make any sense but absolutely matches the style of the Looney Tunes. In this film, the Looney Tunes were absolutely at their best. I also love how this film gave Bugs Bunny a bit of a character arc.

Mixed Feelings

I've never done this before, but I felt that it was something I had to do because there's one big aspect of the film that I both loved and hated and that is the constant pop culture references. Don't get me wrong, I loved seeing a scene from Austin Powers starring Elmer Fudd as Mini-Me and Sylvester the Cat as Mr. Bigglesworth and it was really cool to see all these characters all together to watch a basketball game, but the movie is trying so hard to cram in as many references to Warner Bros. properties as possible that it can be very distracting from the main story at times, especially in the final basketball game where all the background characters steal focus from the game, as you try to search the crowd to find as many easter eggs as you can.

What I Disliked

The main character in this movie is LeBron James, and, no offense to LeBron James, but, he's really not an actor, he's a basketball player. This was also the biggest problem with the original Space Jam, where Michael Jordan hadn't quite figured out acting yet so his performance wasn't great. The same thing happens

here in this movie. LeBron James isn't very good at acting because, once again, he's not an actor, he's a basketball player.

Final Thoughts

Of all the films coming out this year, this was one of the ones I was anticipating the most and, unfortunately, I came out of it feeling very disappointed.

Unfortunately, I give it a **C+**. I definitely think this one was much more entertaining than actually good. That concludes my review of *Space Jam: A New Legacy*. If you watched it, tell me what you thought about it. Did you like it or was it a film you did not enjoy? Please tell me your thoughts, and have a great day.