

Movie Review by Musafir

Wonder Woman

Finally, A Relief from Superhero Fatigue:
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“I’ve been very active all my life. I was a combat instructor in the Israeli Army.” - Gal Gadot

Director Patty Jenkins’ and Gal Gadot’s (the female protagonist) Wonder Woman is a needed relief from superhero fatigue. Unlike other superhero movies where the main characters succumb to vice to achieve ambiguous goals, Wonder Woman Offers a clear cut story of good’s victory over evil. She simply fights to protect those who can’t protect themselves. It’s the simplicity of Wonder Woman’s mission and a brilliant fusion of myth and reality that make the movie so exceptional and appealing.

Before she becomes wondrous, we meet the young Diana Prince – daughter of Queen Hippolyta and a Princess of the Amazons – in warrior training with her aunt, General Antiope (Robin Wright), on the mythical island of Themyscira. Diana is convinced that her destiny is to defeat Ares, the god of war. So, when an American spy pilot Steve Trevor played by (Chris Pine) crash lands on

her sheltered paradise, with German troops in pursuit, two worlds (myth and reality) collide.

Diana wants to save the world and its suffering masses from the darkness of World War I. But she perceives the War with a mythical realm. She leaves the island, convinced that the war was caused by the Amazons’ ancient enemy, Ares, the god of

war. She believes if she finds and kills Ares, the Germans will suddenly become good men again and stand down. After the allied force’s victory, as the world celebrates, Diana smirks convinced that she alone knows the reality.

Gal Gadot’s acting is superb as she portrays her feelings with her expressive eyes, curious gaze, joyful look and flicker of disappointment. Patty Jenkins is, probably, the first woman to direct a superhero film and she has

done her job uniquely.

It’s a family movie. Another relief – Diana’s costume is less revealing than the one Linda Carter originally wore. When Wonder Woman chooses other outfits, it’s worth noting that she stays both covered and classy. It’s a great movie.

