



Agent hides double life from wife in 'True Lies'



Special agent Harry Tasker (Arnold Schwarzenegger) leads a double life. Fluent in six languages and skilled in all forms of counter-intelligence, Harry is an international spy for Omega Sector, a top-secret government agency charged with the intervention of nuclear terrorism. For reasons of national security, Harry has kept his real profession secret from his wife, Helen (Jamie Lee Curtis), all the years they've been married. Now, after 15 years, Helen's getting a little bored with the man she thinks sells computers for a living.

Harry has the skills, the resourcefulness and the courage to save the country, now if only he can save his marriage.

"True Lies," opening Friday at metro Detroit movie theaters, is a Twentieth Century Fox presenta-

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tion. It is directed by James Cameron and produced by James Cameron and Stephanie Austin, with Rae Sanchini, Robert Shriver and Lawrence Kasanoff as executive producers.

The film also stars Tom Arnold, Bill Paxton, Art Malik, Tia Carrere, Eliza Dushku, Grant Heslov and Charlton Heston as Spencer Trilby.

"True Lies" is inspired by a French film written by Claude Zidi, Simon Michael and Didier Kaminka which first came to the attention of Arnold Schwarzenegger.

"When Harry Tasker comes home, he has to lie about where he's been," Schwarzenegger explains. "He goes out and risks his life in every imaginable kind of intrigue and when he goes home, his wife asks how his day went

and he fabricates these stories. He tells her how he went to his computer convention and got a new model system and was troubleshooting with the Japanese because their computer system broke down, and so on."

"So here is this superspy," director James Cameron adds, "who throws all his best qualities and all his focus into his work and brings none of it home. No relationship can survive when you don't bring the best part of yourself home."

Jamie Lee Curtis, who plays Helen Tasker, is trying very hard to reignite her marriage. "Helen and Harry have fallen into the classic rut where they're really stopped paying attention to each other and each other's needs and really take one another for granted," said Curtis.

"Helen starts off sort of mousy and a bit repressed," Cameron says. "Through her journey into

the world of international espionage, we find that there's this whole other person under there just waiting to come out under the right circumstances. She becomes quite a strong character toward the end, but it's a very goofy transition. Helen's journey is filled with laughs because she doesn't know what's going on half the time and when she does, there's hell to pay."

Tom Arnold plays Gib, Harry's partner at Omega Sector and the only character not lying about something (other than his profession, which no one can know). "Gib's a career spy; he hasn't done very well with his personal life," Arnold explains. "He and Harry are the only two people that are totally honest with each other. When Harry's life starts to unravel, Gib finds it a little amusing because that's what a spy's life is all about. You can't live a double life forever."



Suspense: Arnold Schwarzenegger is Harry Tasker and Jamie Lee Curtis is Helen Tasker in "True Lies."

UPCOMING MOVIES

There's something for everyone at the movies. Here's a list of what's in the wings:

Opening Wednesday, July 20
"The Client" — A young boy becomes privy to a secret that puts him in mortal danger. In an effort to protect himself and his family, he hires a lawyer to help him defend his right not to reveal what he knows. Stars Susan Sarandon, Tommy Lee Jones and Brian Renfro. From the best seller by John Grisham.
Opening Friday, July 22
"Lassie" — A new generation will encounter this family motion

picture as Lassie comes to the rescue as neighbors make life impossible for a new family.

"North" — North's an 11-year-old boy, and feeling under appreciated by his parents. So he declares himself a free agent and sets off in search of the "perfect" parents. Stars Elijah Wood, Bruce Willis, and Julia Louis-Dreyfus.

Opening Friday, July 29
"It Could Happen to You" — A romantic comedy about an incorruptible cop who tips a bankrupt waitress with a winning lottery ticket, much to the horror of his

upwardly mobile wife. Stars Nicholas Cage, Bridget Fonda and Rosie Perez.

"Black Beauty" — A feature film adaptation of Ann Sewell's classic children's story.

"White" — The second film in Krzysztof Kieslowski's "Three Colors" trilogy. The story of a man's return home to Poland after losing all that was dear to him.

Opening Wednesday, August 3
"Airheads" — They're just a bunch of rock n'rollers trying to get their record played — at least until they found themselves hold-

ing an entire radio station hostage. Comedy.

Opening Friday, August 5
"Desperate Remedies" — Romantic drama set in the 19th century in an imaginary New Zealand town about women and when and schemes to outmaneuver each other in the game of love.

Opening Friday, August 12
"The Next Karate Kid" — Miyagi, the wise karate mentor is brought together with the teenage granddaughter of an old war buddy who saved his life, and must teach her to find the strength to defeat her foes and to be herself.

Win tickets to new 'Lassie' movie

There's still time to enter our contest to win tickets to a preview screening of "Lassie," opening Friday, July 22 at metro Detroit movie theaters.

Write a short note explaining why your pet is your best friend to win. Be sure to include your name, hometown, and a daytime telephone number.

The deadline to enter is Friday, July 15. Entries can be faxed to Keely Wygonik/Entertainment editor (313) 591-7279 or dropped off by noon Friday, July 15 at the front desk of our Livonia office, 36251 Schoolcraft or Birmingham office, 805 East Maple.



Best friend: "Lassie" stars as the eighth descendant of the original dog that appeared in the 1943 release "Lassie Come Home." The new Paramount film is opening at metro Detroit movie theaters on July 22.

Birmingham. Ten lucky families will win four tickets to take their family to a preview screening of "Lassie" on Tuesday, July 19. Winners will be notified by phone on Friday, July 15. A grand prize winner, one of the 10, will also receive a poster and t-shirt.

Observer & Eccentric employees and their families are not eligible. Call (313) 953-2105 if you have any questions. If you like, you can include a photo with your letter. Please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope so that we can return the photo.

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