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## On the move

## 'Finding Nemo' is search for son; 'The Italian Job' is heist-turned-hunt

BY RICOLE STAFFORD

What could *The Italian Job*, a sexy-looking, stunt-packed film starring Mark Wahlberg have in common with a cute, computer-animated tale about fish culted *Finding Nemo*? Both are adventures and burst. There

Both are adventures and hunts. In Finding Nemo, which opens Friday, Mariin, an over-ly cautious father fish, is sepa-rated from his curious son Nemo in the Great Barrier Reef, Mariin must find his son - a dangerous undertaking with a heroic ending. In The Harlan Job, which

also opens Friday, Wahlberg's

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character Charlie Croker and his gang pull off an unbeliev-able gold heist in Italy only to discover one partner has dou-ble-crossed him. His goal: Track down the bad partner and steal back the bounty. the box office. Picar Animation Studios, which cre-ated the film in partnership with Walt Disney Pictures, has a lot riding on the film, too. *Finding Nemo*, a Buena Vista Pictures release, is rated G. and steal back the bounty. Joining in the quest is Stella, a safe expert played by Charlize Theren

G. What's promising about The Italian Job is that it's a remake of Paramount's 1969 classic of the same name. At the very least, we know we have a classic plot on our hands. And, the turn of events in

the contemporary version does look interesting. Charlie Croker's plan to recover his stolen gold comes down

manipulating traffic sign is and creating have on the streets of Los Angeles. There's also a surprise star in the wings - stunts and chase scenes featuring the recently redesigned British Mini Cooper. If you haven't spotted one of these truly adorable, plut-sized autos around town, you'll no doubt get a big look on the big stream true.

The Italian Job, a Paramount Pictures release, is rated PG-13.

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Dory, (left to right), Mariin and Bruce are three of the stars in the animated film "Finding Nems," which comes from the creators of "Toy Story," A Bug's Life" and "Nonsters, Inc."

sale expert payed by Charlize Theron. Hopefully, the fun comes after these jobs set-ups, nei-ther of which could be described as inventive. The good news is that *Finding Neuro* comes to us from the Academy Award-winning creators of *Tuy Story*, *A Bing J Life* and *Monsters*, *Inc.*, all hits with family audi-ences and success stories at Classic film series starts at Michigan Theater ROOM **OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC** classic films at the Michigan Theater. There's something romanic about the experi-ence, said Emily Phenix, who programmed this year's series and is the theater's marketing director. There's something about sitting in a beautiful movie palace with the smell of popcorn and experiencing the movie with an audience." Likewise, Gene Keliv's ALCONTROL OF romantic comety it Happened One Night starring Clark Gable. The series, which runs every Sunday and Tuesday through Tuesday, Sept. 2 plus a special screening on Labor Day, is a tradition at the restored his-toric movie palace. "People really adore seeing EŚ HE BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER MO Calling all classic film fans. The Michigan Theater's annual series of classic movies begins Sunday, June 1 with a ICI Teatres ICI Internet Form Source Control I STO NAMIN PANE United a Projeton Journe Sparte Dehnot from Encod Cut (11/1) 88 Tatul (134) Ven 16 Kreen Status (134) Wen 16 Kreen Status (134) United National Status Status National Status United National Status Star Southfield neal between Hergsph and Northwester, Cd 1496 248 333 57AR No are under ape 6 admitted her hCl 3 & B zackel fars after 6 pen PC13 History Theorem rarcase Cinema HEAD OF ITATI PCIS screening of Frank Capra's, Academy Award-winning Showcase Creations 1-9 Michigan B Wegraph 313-561-3449 Ann Arbor (734) 668-1368 12,00 kalot: 16,25 Sandorts, Sankat an Andrea andre 12, 23,34 Mitsigan Chart Mitsia the series is population and experiencing the movies with an audience. Likewise, Gene Kelly's famous dance moves in Singin' in Rain, which is set to run July 6 and 8, simgly aren't as grand on a television screen. "Too get a richness in film production that you just can't get on the small screen," add Phenix. This year's lineup includes a handful of perinnial favorites, but most of the films are clas-sics that have not been screened at the Michigan Theater in several years, 'I was looking for films that we haven't playered for a while; added Phenix. Although films and dates have been set for the entire series, screening times will be determined on a weekly basis. D learn shout upcoming show times or obtain additional information, add the chatter? 34-hour information line at (74) 663-TIME or viait Bargain Mativers Daily. All Stown until 6 pm. 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