

# The Paragon Multimedia DVD, VHS Collection

Title: **Arrival**



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## Information

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AKA:

Release date: United States – 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 (Venice Film Festival)

Canada: 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016 (Toronto Int. Film Festival)

Genres: Drama, Mystery, Sci-Fi

Disc Nos. – 1

Certification: 12A

Duration: 1h 56m

Region Code:

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MPN:

EAN:

UPC:

Languages: English, Russian, Manarin

Filming locations: Montréal, Québec, Canada

Sound mix: Dolby Digital

Colour: PAL

Aspect Ratio:2.39:1

### Arrival



Theatrical release poster

Directed by	<a href="#">Denis Villeneuve</a>
Screenplay by	<a href="#">Eric Heisserer</a>
Based on	"Story of Your Life" by <a href="#">Ted Chiang</a>
Produced by	<a href="#">Shawn Levy</a> <a href="#">Dan Levine</a> <a href="#">Aaron Ryder</a> <a href="#">David Linde</a>
Starring	<a href="#">Amy Adams</a> <a href="#">Jeremy Renner</a> <a href="#">Forest Whitaker</a> <a href="#">Michael Stuhlbarg</a> <a href="#">Tzi Ma</a>
Cinematography	<a href="#">Bradford Young</a>
Edited by	<a href="#">Joe Walker</a>
Music by	<a href="#">Jóhann Jóhannsson</a>
Production companies	<a href="#">FilmNation Entertainment</a> <a href="#">Lava Bear Films</a> <a href="#">21 Laps Entertainment</a>
Distributed by	<a href="#">Paramount Pictures</a> (North America) <a href="#">Entertainment One</a> (United Kingdom) <a href="#">Roadshow Films</a> (Australia)
Release dates	September 1, 2016 ( <a href="#">Venice</a> ) November 11, 2016 (United States)
Running time	116 minutes <sup>[1]</sup>
Country	United States
Language	English
Budget	\$47 million <sup>[2]</sup>
Box office	\$203.4 million <sup>[3]</sup>

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## Storyline

Linguist Louise Banks's daughter Hannah dies at the age of twelve from an incurable illness.

Twelve extra-terrestrial spacecraft hovers over various locations around the Earth. In the ensuing widespread panic, affected nations send military and scientific experts to monitor and study them. In the United States, US Army Colonel Weber recruits Banks and physicist Ian Donnelly to study the craft above Montana. On board, Banks and Donnelly make contact with two cephalopod-like, seven-limbed aliens, whom they call "heptapods"; Donnelly nicknames them Abbott and Costello. Banks and Donnelly research the complex written language of the aliens, consisting of palindromic phrases written with circular symbols, and share the results with other nations. As Banks studies the language, she starts to have flashback-like visions of her daughter.

When Banks is able to establish sufficient shared vocabulary to ask why the aliens have come, they answer with a statement that could be translated as "offer weapon". China interprets this as "use weapon", prompting it to break off communications, and other nations follow. Banks argues that the symbol interpreted as "weapon" can be more abstractly related to the concepts of "means" or "tool"; China's translation likely results from interacting with the alien's using mah-jong, a highly competitive game.

Rogue soldiers plant a bomb in the Montana craft. Unaware, Banks and Donnelly re-enter the alien vessel, and the aliens give them a more complex message. Just before the bomb explodes, one of the aliens ejects Donnelly and Banks from the vessel, knocking them unconscious. When they wake, the alien craft has moved beyond reach and the US military is preparing to evacuate in case of retaliation.

Donnelly discovers that the symbol for time is present throughout the message and that the writing occupies exactly one-twelfth of the 3D space into which it is projected. Banks suggests that the full message is split among the twelve craft and that the aliens want all the nations to share what they learn.

China's General Shang issues an ultimatum to his local alien craft, demanding that it leave China within 24 hours. Russia, Pakistan, and Sudan follow suit; communications between the international research teams are terminated as worldwide panic sets in.

Banks goes alone to the Montana craft, which sends down a transport pod. Abbott has been mortally injured as a result of the explosion. Costello explains that they have come to help humanity, for in 3,000 years they will need humanity's help in return. Banks realizes the "weapon" is their language. Learning the language alters humans' linear perception of time, allowing them to experience memories of future events. Banks's visions of her daughter are revealed to be premonitions; her daughter will not be born until sometime in the future.

Banks returns to the camp as it is being evacuated and tells Donnelly that the aliens' language is the "tool" that was meant by the word "weapon". She has a premonition of a United Nations event celebrating newfound unity, following the alien arrival, in which Shang thanks her for persuading him to stop the attack when she called his private number and recited his wife's dying words. He then shows her his private number.

In the present, Banks takes CIA agent Halpern's satellite phone from a table and calls Shang's private number to recite the words. The Chinese announce that they are standing down and releasing their twelfth of the message. The other countries follow suit, and the twelve spacecraft depart.

During the evacuation, Donnelly expresses his love for Banks. They talk about life choices and whether he would change them if he could see the future. Banks knows that she will agree to have a child with him despite knowing their fate: that Hannah will die from an incurable disease and Donnelly will leave them both after she reveals that she knew this.

# Cast

Amy Adams as Louise Banks  
Jeremy Renner as Ian Donnelly  
Forest Whitaker as Colonel G. T. Weber  
Michael Stuhlbarg as Agent Halpern  
Mark O'Brien as Captain Marks  
Tzi Ma as General Shang  
Abigail Pniowsky as 8-year-old Hannah  
Julia Scarlett Dan as 12-year-old Hannah  
Jadyn Malone as 6-year-old Hannah

## Parents Guide

### Certification

Argentina:13 Australia:M Austria:12 Brazil:10 Canada:PG (Alberta) Canada:PG (British Columbia) Canada:PG (Manitoba) Canada:PG (Ontario) Canada:G (Quebec) Chile:TE+7 Czechia:12 (original rating) Denmark:11 Egypt:PG (self-applied) Finland:K-12 France:Tous publics Germany:12 Greece:K-12 Hong Kong:IIA Hungary:12 Iceland:12 India:UA Indonesia:13+ Ireland:12A Ireland:12 (Blu-ray rating) Ireland:12 (DVD rating) Israel:ALL Italy:T Japan:G Lithuania:N-13 Malaysia:P13 Mexico:B Netherlands:12 New Zealand:M Norway:9 (cinema rating) Philippines:PG-13 Poland:12 (self-applied) Portugal:M/12 Russia:16+ Singapore:PG13 South Africa:10-12 South Africa:PG (DVD rating) South Korea:12 Spain:7 (ICAA) Sweden:11 Switzerland:10 Taiwan:PG-12 Thailand:G Turkey:7+ United Kingdom:12A United Kingdom:12 (Blu-ray rating) United Kingdom:12 (DVD rating) United States:PG-13 (certificate #50454) Ukraine:12 United Arab Emirates:PG-15 (self-applied) Vietnam:C13

**Sex & Nudity** –None **Violence & Gore** – Mild, **Profanity** – Mild **Alcohol, Drugs & Smoking** – None **Frightening & Intense Scenes** – Mild

MPAA Rated PG-13 for brief strong language

