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Title: 1408



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Information

Title: 1408 31st August, 2007 United Kingdom

Origin: United States

Release date: United States – 12th June 2007

AKA: Also known as: 1408

Genres: Psychological Horror, Supernatural, Fantasy, Mystery

Classification: 15

Disc Nos. 1

Duration: 1hr 44m Region Code: Region: 2 Product Code:

MPN: EAN: UPC:

Languages: English

Filming locations: Roosevelt Hotel - 45th Street & Madison Avenue, Manhattan, New York City, New

York, USA (Hotel Dolphin)

Sound mix: SDDS, Dolby Digital, DTS

Colour – Colour Aspect Ratio: 2.39:1



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Title: Storyline

Mike Enslin is a cynical and sceptical author of niche books about supernatural events, in which he has no belief. While promoting his latest book in Hermosa Beach, California, he receives an anonymous postcard depicting The Dolphin, a hotel on Lexington Avenue in New York City, bearing the message: "Don't enter 1408." Viewing this as a challenge, Mike travels to The Dolphin and requests room 1408. The hotel manager, Gerald Olin, attempts to discourage him. He explains to Mike that in the last 95 years, no one has lasted more than an hour inside of 1408; the latest count is 56 deaths. Olin repeatedly and unpassionately attempts to dissuade and even bribe Mike, but at Mike's insistence and threat of legal action against the hotel, preparations are reluctantly made.

While Mike describes the room's boring appearance and absence of supernatural behaviour on his mini-cassette recorder as the "banality of evil", the clock radio suddenly starts playing The Carpenters' "We've Only Just Begun", and the digital display changes to a countdown starting from 60:00. Mike begins to see ghosts of the room's past victims, along with flashbacks of his deceased daughter Katie and his terminally ill father. Mike makes numerous attempts to leave the room, all in vain. As the temperature in the room starts to rapidly increase, Mike uses his laptop to contact his estranged wife Lily and ask for help. The heat activates the sprinkler system, short-circuiting the laptop, which starts to work again when the temperature drops to subzero. A doppelgänger of Mike appears in a video chat window, urging Lily to come to the hotel room herself and giving Mike a sly wink.

The room starts to shake violently, causing Mike to crash into a picture of a ship in a storm, from which water floods the room. He finds himself reliving a surfing accident from before he entered the room. Recovering in the hospital, he reconciles with Lily and assumes his experience in 1408 was just a nightmare; Lily encourages him to write a book about it. When visiting the post office to send the manuscript to his publisher, he recognizes members of a construction crew as Dolphin Hotel staff, who start destroying the walls, revealing that Mike is still trapped inside 1408. Katie's ghost confronts him, and when the countdown ends, the room restores itself and the clock radio resets to 60:00.

A female voice calling herself "hotel operator" calls Mike. Mike asks why he has not been killed yet and she informs him that guests enjoy free will: he can relive the past hour over and over again, or use their "express checkout system". A hangman's noose appears, but he refuses to give in. Mike improvises a Molotov cocktail and sets the room on fire. He then lies down and laughs in victory upon destroying the room. The hotel is evacuated and Olin, in his office, praises Mike for his actions. Wiki

Author Mike Enslin specializes in paranormal investigations writing books along the line of the 10 best haunted hotels in America and so on. He receives an anonymous postcard in the mail telling him not to stay in room 1408 at the Dolphin Hotel in New York City. His attempts to make a reservation there are unsuccessful and he is told that it isn't available - ever. His research reveals that there have been a number of very strange deaths in that room dating as far back as the hotel's opening 95 years ago. The hotel is forced to accept him but the manager, Gerald Olin, begs him not to stay there. In his opinion, the room is evil and no one has ever been able to stay in there for more than an hour. Enslin scoffs at the warning and is soon in the room - from which he soon becomes desperate to leave.—garykmcd MDb

Cast

John Cusack as Michael "Mike" Enslin
Samuel L. Jackson as Gerald Olin
Mary McCormack as Lily Enslin
Tony Shalhoub as Sam Farrell
Len Cariou as Mike's father
Jasmine Jessica Anthony as Katie Enslin
Isiah Whitlock Jr. as Hotel Engineer
Kim Thomson as Hotel Desk Clerk
Benny Urquidez as Claw Hammer Maniac
Angel Oquendo as Taxi Cab Driver
Andrew-Lee Potts as Mailbox Guy
Jules de Jongh as the Female Front-Desk Voice on the Phone (uncredited)

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Parental Guidance Certification

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Sex & Nudity -Mild, Violence & Gore- Moderate, Profanity- Moderate Alcohol, drugs & Smoking - Moderate, Frightening & Intense Scenes - Severe

MPAA Rated PG-13 for thematic material including disturbing sequences of violence and terror, frightening images and language



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