

- Blazing Saddles
 - Awards
 - 1975 BAFTA (British Academy Film Awards) Award Nominee for Best Screenplay
 - 1975 Writers Guild of America Award for Best Original Comedy
 - 2006 National Film Registry winner
 - National Film Registry commentary on Blazing Saddles
 - This riotously funny, raunchy, no-holds-barred Western spoof by Mel Brooks is universally considered one of the 25 funniest American films of all time. The movie features a civil-rights theme (the man in the white hat turns out to be an African-American who has to defend a bigoted town), and its furiously paced gags and rapid-fire dialogue were scripted by Brooks, Andrew Bergman, Richard Pryor, Norman Steinberg and Alan Unger. "Blazing Saddles" was the highest grossing Western of all-time until 1990's "Dances with Wolves." <https://www.loc.gov/item/prn-06-234/films-added-to-national-film-registry-for-2006/2006-12-27/>
 - American Film Institute (AFI) lists three of Brooks' films as its AFI's 100 Years... 100 Laughs list: *Blazing Saddles* (#6), *The Producers* (#11), and *Young Frankenstein* (#13). <https://www.afi.com/afis-100-years-100-laughs/>
 - Roger Ebert review, Feb. 7, 1974 – 4 stars (out of a possible 4 stars) <https://www.rogerebert.com/reviews/blazing-saddles-1974>
- Mel Brooks
 - Melvin James Brooks (né Kaminsky; [1] June 28, 1926) is an American actor, comedian, filmmaker, and songwriter. With a career spanning over seven decades, he is known as a writer and director of a variety of successful broad farces and parodies. [2] https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mel_Brooks
 - Awards/Accolades
 - 1969 Oscar winner, Best Original Screenplay
 - 1967, 1997, 1998, 1999, Emmy winner
 - 2001 Tony
 - 1975 Writers Guild of America winner, Best Comedy Written Directly for the Screen
 - 1999, 2002 Grammy winner
 - 1975 Hugo Award
 - 1976 Nebula Award, Best Dramatic Writing

- 1987 American Comedy Awards winner, Lifetime Achievement Award in Comedy
- 2003 Writers Guild of America, Laurel Award for Screen Writing Achievement
- 2006, 2019 OFTA (Online Film & Television Association) Film Hall of Fame winner
- 2009 Kennedy Center Honors
- 2010 Hollywood Walk of Fame inductee
- 2013 American Film Institute Life Achievement Award
- 2015 British Film Institute Fellowship
- 2016 National Medal of Arts
- 2017 BAFTA Fellowship
- 2021 Los Angeles Film Critics Association Award
- 2023 Honorary Academy Award
- 2023 The Academy Annual Governors Award honorees

Blazing Saddles has been saved from banning by adding a disclaimer. The movie has been on the list of those receiving criticism from Black Lives Matter activists. Some of the movies on their list, like *Gone With The Wind*, were actually briefly banned from streaming. But not *Blazing Saddles*.

The only reason you're still allowed to watch *Blazing Saddles* (for now) is that HBO Max just added a disclaimer and an introduction in front of it, to tell you what to think about the movie before you watch it.

The 3-minute introduction you're required to watch before the film is hosted by African-American film historian Jacqueline Stewart who tells the audience: **"As the storyline implies, the issue of race is front and center in *Blazing Saddles*, and racist language and attitudes pervade the film... But those attitudes are espoused by characters who are portrayed here as explicitly small-minded, ignorant bigots. The real, and much more enlightened perspective, is provided by the main characters played by Cleavon Little and Gene Wilder."**

<https://www.giantfreakinrobot.com/ent/banned-movies.html#:~:text=The%20movie%20was%20removed%20shortly,should%20think%20of%20the%20movie.>