

Film Review: 'Big Hero 6' is Sorely Lacking the Charm Component

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CHICAGO – "Big Hero 6" is a dark revenge thriller masquerading as a kids movie. Walt Disney Studios takes a few pages from its corporate cousin Marvel, while creating this new animated adventure. It has its moments, but not quite enough of them to make this anything more than a minor entry in the Disney legacy.



The story centers on a 13-year-old robotics whiz named Hiro (voiced by Ryan Potter) who has been devoting his time to the shadowy world of underground robot battles – 'bot fighting – instead of going to college. At times it suggests a slightly better animated version of the justly forgotten Hugh Jackman robot fighting movie "Real Steel," with a less annoying protagonist.

But 'bot fighting soon gives way to the halls of higher learning after his older brother shows off a robot he's been working on at his Stanford type school. He introduces Hiro to the well respected head of the Robotics department and Hiro devotes his attentions to winning a competition to get accepted.

"Big Hero 6" opens everywhere on November 7th. Featuring the voices of Scott Adsit, Ryan Potter, Daniel Henney, T J Miller, Damon Wayans Jr., Alan Tudyk, James Cromwell, Genesis Rodriguez, Maya Rudolph. Screenplay adapted by Robert L. Baird, Daniel Gerson and Jordan Roberts. Directed by Don Hall and Chris Williams. Rated "PG"

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