

Blu-ray Review: Richard Linklater's 2014 Classic 'Boyhood'

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CHICAGO – I remember when Richard Linklater's "Boyhood" was just a rare credit on IMDb, a project listed as "in production" for many years, while the director's other completed work passed through. The curiosity of Linklater's unparalleled experiment was certainly fulfilled by its release, which comes full circle today as it hits home video, an award season epilogue in sight.

Filming the development of a boy's life over the course of twelve years, "Boyhood" uniquely captures the wonder of how a person blossoms from the origins of a simple human being. The life of young non-actor Ellar Coltrane, and the character he plays, vividly expresses the way in which we are influenced by the lives of people around us through the gradual passage of time.