

Film Review: Grim Conclusion for ‘The Hunger Games: Mockingjay - Part 2’

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CHICAGO – This has to be what the filmmakers intended when they split the final book of the “Hunger Games” series into two films. While “The Hunger Games: Mockingjay - Part 1” was all set up, Part 2 doesn’t just lead up to a huge climax.



Rating: **3.0/5.0**

It’s all climax in a campaign that barely stops to breathe. When the characters aren’t running for their lives they’re engaged in a passionless love triangle. It’s all brooding conversations in darkness, and booby traps as Katniss Everdeen (Jennifer Lawrence) marches on the Capitol to stick an arrow through President Snow’s (Donald Sutherland) heart.

This series is no one’s idea of great filmmaking, but they do have enough resources and tools at their disposal to elevate them above the usual Young Adult franchises. Gone are the social and political commentaries and the fantastical world of the capitol filled with extravagant excess.

“Hunger Games: Mockingjay - Part 2” opens everywhere November 20th. Featuring Jennifer Lawrence, Julianne Moore, Phillip Seymour Hoffman, Josh Hutchinson, Liam Hemsworth, Woody Harrelson, Donald Sutherland and Elizabeth Banks. Screenplay adapted by Peter Craig and Danny Strong, from the novel by Suzanne Collins. Directed by Francis Lawrence. Rated “PG-13”



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Jennifer Lawrence in ‘The Hunger Games: Mockingjay - Part 2’

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