

On-Air Film Review: Deliver a Letter! Review of 'Dear Evan Hansen'

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CHICAGO – Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com appears on "The Morning Mess" with Scott Thompson on WBGR-FM (Monroe, Wisconsin) on September 23rd, 2021, reviewing the new movie musical "Dear Evan Hansen" – featuring Ben Platt in the title role – in theaters beginning September 24th.



Rating: 3.5/5.0

Ben Platt reprises his stage role as the title character, a high school senior whose social anxiety yields few friendships. His therapist has recommended writing letters to himself as a coping mechanism, but a strange boy named Connor (Colton Ryan) steals one of the letters, and later it's found on him when he commits suicide. Connor's distraught family (Amy Adams as Mom, Danny Pino as Dad, Kaitlyn Dever as daughter Zoe) takes Evan under their wing, and Evan even makes up a false friendship with Connor to soothe their grief. The fake relationship between Evan and Connor gets out of hand, and soon the whole world will know.

"Dear Evan Hansen" is in theaters on September 24th. Featuring Ben Platt, Julianne Moore, Amy Adams, Kaitlyn Dever, Danny Pino and Colton Ryan. Screenplay adapted by Steven Levenson. Music and lyrics by Justin Paul and Benj Pasek. Directed by Stephen Chbosky. Rated "PG-13"

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