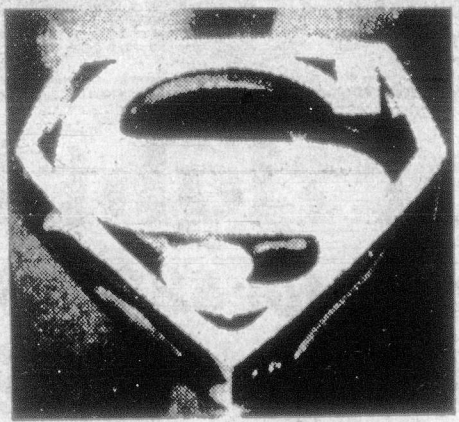


It's a bird, it's a plane. No it's Supermovie



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Superman is super. Playing at Square One Theatre over Christmas and probably much longer, the movie promises to be a flying success.

For young hero-worshippers, Superman is full of spine-tingling moments of suspense. For adults and especially fans, Christopher Reeves underplays the part of Superman with masterful comedy.

References to cliches from the original movie serial have the oldtimers in stitches.

In one scene, Lois Lane (Margot Kidder) asks editor Perry White why he hired the new reporter, Clark Kent. "He may seem like a mild-mannered reporter," says the chief, "but he's the fastest typist I've ever seen."

Fans delight to see flashes of Kirk Alyn and Noel Neill, the Superman and Lois Lane of the original movie serial.

Canadian actress Margot Kidder is a with it, liberated Lois Lane, making it all the more enjoyable to watch her "fall" for the man of steel.

The \$45 million dollar budget provides stunning scenery and eye-popping special effects. Superman's beginnings on the doomed planet Krypton and subsequent travels to earth via satellite contrast with his eventual immersion into life in the modern city of

Metropolis, set around 1938.

The planned sequel to the Superman movie hints that Superman and Lois Lane will get together. In the words of Lois Lane "Who knows maybe someday Superman will get lucky."

If the sequel is as good as this Superman, it will be the fans who are lucky.

What's on screen for the holidays

Mississauga theatres offer quite a variety of movies for the Christmas holidays.

Dixie Five: Paradise Alley, starring Sylvester Stallone, adult. 270-8856.

Maion Theatre: Heaven Can Wait, starring Warren Beatty and Julie Christie. 677-2773.

Square One Theatres

Cinema 1: King Of The Gypsies, starring Stirling Hayden and Shelley Winters, restricted. 275-2451.

Cinema 2: Brass Target, starring Sophia Loren and John Casavettes, adult.

Cinema 3: Oliver's Story, starring Ryan O'Neal and Candice Bergen, adult.

Cinema 4: Superman, starring Margot Kidder and Christopher Reeve.

Sheridan Mall: The Wiz, starring Diana Ross.

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