The ADP Website

ADP Audio Description Project (4D)))

An Initiative of the



Described TV, Movies, DVDs, Streaming Videos, Performing Arts, Museums, and More!

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History

- March 2002: Audio Description International (ADI)
 Conference in Washington DC; Barry Levine president
- March 2003: Fred Brack takes over as ADI webmaster
- April 2009: Barry Levine dies; Fred maintains website
- May 2010: ACB takes on the "Audio Description Project" as a sponsored initiative, with Joel Snyder as Project Director and Fred Brack as webmaster
- 2014: Joel officially forms the ADP Committee to help guide the Project and Conference; subsequently six subcommittees formed

Overview

- Our site is intended for both users and providers of audio description worldwide, but primarily the USA
- We answer the questions what, how, who, where, and when about audio description in multiple media
- We primarily cover:
 - o Current Cinema: first-run films with audio description
 - o **DVDs and Blu-ray discs** with AD: commercial movies
 - Television: what's available with AD and how to receive it
 - Streaming Video services offering audio description, like Netflix & iTunes
 - Performing Arts, Museums, Parks, and Tours which offer audio description
 - Providers of audio description services for both consumers and business

Options for Visitors with Vision Impairment

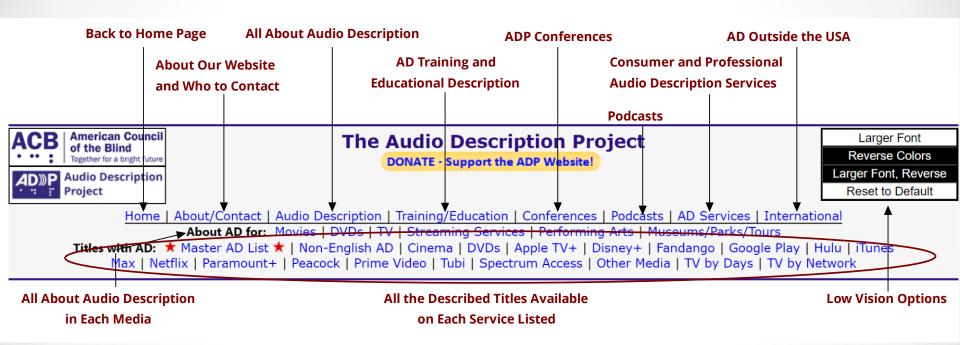
Blind, using a Screen Reader

- Alt text on all images
- Headings used to help navigate page sections
- Hidden "Skip Navigation" link on each page
- Certain other hidden links (such as description of logo)

Low Vision

- Large font
- Black text on white or light-colored background
- High contrast headings (white on purple or black)
- Two additional options available (and remembered) via buttons at the top of every page:
 - Even larger font
 - Reverse colors





This menu appears on every page of the ADP website

Popular Pages

- Television (3 pages)
 - Described TV series by network or by day
 - How to find described shows
 - How to access description on your TV
 - Cable companies and boxes, options, and usage
- DVDs (2 main pages)
 - General information about description on DVDs and Blu-ray discs
 - Menu for this year's DVDs, last year's DVDs, Kids' DVDs, All DVDs, and DVDs by Rating or Genre
- Streaming Services' Described Videos
 - Apple TV+
 - Disney+
 - Fandango
 - Google Play
 - Hulu
 - iTunes
 - Max

- Netflix
- Paramount+
- Peacock
- Prime Video
- Tubi
- Spectrum Access
- Other Media, including Plex, Pluto TV, & the Roku Channel

3 Television Pages

- Described TV shows by Network
 - Broadcast Networks
 - Required: ABC, CBS, FOX, NBC
 - Voluntary: The CW, Telemundo
 - Non-Broadcast Networks
 - Required: Hallmark, HGTV, TBS, TLC, TNT
 - Voluntary: Discovery, History, Oxygen, USA, more
- Daily listing of described shows
- About:
 - How to receive audio description
 - Who must provide audio description
 - What the cable providers offer
 - Links to more information

Popular Described Series

- ABC: Abbott Elementary, 3 Celebrity series, Shark Tank
- CBS: Fire Country, NCIS, The Neighborhood
- FOX: Bob's Burgers, Family Guy, The Simpsons
- NBC: Chicago Fire/Med/PD, Law and Order SVU
- Hallmark: When Calls the Heart, lots of movies
- HGTV: 100 Day Dream Home, Fixer to Fabulous
- TBS: American Dad, plus reruns from other networks
- TLC: 90-Day series, Dr. Pimple Popper
- TNT: The Lazarus Project, plus reruns from other networks

Listings for Description

- Two Listings options: TV Network and Independent
- Some Networks Offer Separate Pages
- Independent listing services
 - o AFB
 - Advantage: very specific to your provider and time zone
 - Disadvantage: must make 4 menu selections first, and listing is very detailed and specific to one day
 - ADP's offering (via Timothy Wynn)
 - Advantage: 1-week at a time, all networks in one list
 - Disadvantage: Must pass through low-interest shows (such as repeats) to find the one(s) you want

DVDs and Blu-ray Discs

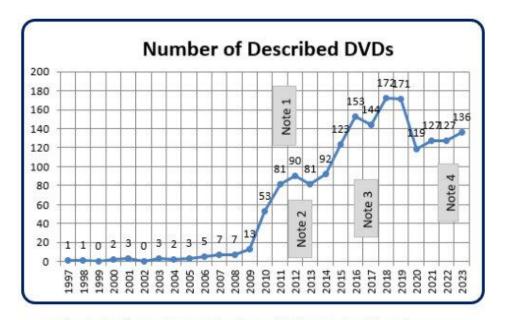
- The only complete listing of every USA commercial movie released on DVD and/or Blu-ray since 1997
- Updated weekly with new releases (avg 2-3/week)
- Nearly 1800 described videos available (about 125 per year expected from now on)
- Each listing has a link to Amazon to order (supports our website!) and comments (such as Blu-ray only)
- Pointers to additional sources for described DVDs (such as educational and international)
- Info on how to access the description track

Some Recent DVDs w/AD

- Abigail
- Anatomy of a Fall
- Dune (I & II)
- Kung Fu Panda 4
- Origin
- Stopmotion
- The Color Purple
- Wish
- Wonka

DVDs w/AD Growth

(As of January 2024)



Turning Points in Yearly Quantity of Described DVDs (Total 1716)

Note 1: In 2010, Sony, Universal, and Disney began regular description

Note 2: In 2011, Fox and Paramount began regular description

Note 3: In May 2015, Warner Bros began regular description

Note 4: In 2020-21, COVID-19 shut down cinemas, affecting DVD release Compiled by ADP Webmaster Fred Brack; Last Updated Jan 01, 2024

Streaming Video

- Nine major providers (all are fee services):
 - 1. Apple TV+ started in November 2019 with all-original content described in 9 languages offers over 200 titles
 - 2. Disney+ started in November 2019, now with over 1200 described films and TV series
 - 3. Hulu started offering AD in February 2019 and now offers over 550 titles
 - 4. iTunes came onboard in 2016 and has over 2200 new and old described movies
 - 5. Max started offering AD in March 2021 and now offers over 1000 titles
 - 6. **Netflix** started offering AD in May 2015 and has surpassed 2500 described titles (movies, documentaries, and TV series) 30% for children
 - 7. Paramount+ started in 2021 as a follow-on to CBS All Access and offers over 450 titles
 - 8. Peacock is the latest arrival in 2021 and offers over 300 titles
 - **9. Prime Video** began offering description in June 2017 and has rapidly expanded to over 5000 described movies and TV series today
- Smaller Free Services: Plex, Pluto TV, Roku Channel, Tubi, more...
- Watch ABC (free app) and other network's online websites often include description tracks for streaming series with description
- Spectrum Access: Over 700 free AD Tracks for movies on streaming services or DVD
- Our **Streaming** page covers the subject and lists other services not yet offering description

Special Streaming Features

Jump to 📂 # A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T The U V W X Y Z

Movies Only

Master

List of

VIDEOS

Series Only

By Year

By Genre

By Rating

And ...

- Cinema (current first-run movies)
- DVDs (and Blu-ray discs)
- TV Stations (the nine mandated plus a few more)
- Apple TV+ (subscription)
- Disney+ (subscription)
- Fandango (purchase)
- freevee (free; a subset of Prime Video)
- Google Play Store (purchase)
- Hulu (subscription)
- iTunes (purchase)
- MagellanTV (subscription)
- Max (subscription)
- Netflix (subscription)
- Paramount+ (subscription; includes Showtime)
- Peacock (subscription)
- Plex (free and fee)
- Pluto TV (free)
- Prime Video (subscription and purchase)
- ReelAbilities Stream (subscription)
- Spectrum Access (free; AD tracks for movies from any source)
- The Roku Channel (free)
- Tubi (free)
- Other Media (free and purchase)

Leading to ...

• A Bug's Life (1998)

→ DVD, DISNEY+, ITUNES

Getting the Most Out of the ADP Website



Search From Main Page

Check if a video is described!

Title or partial name of a video:

Search Master AD List

Submit

>>> Found 12 titles searching for 'dogs':

- All Dogs Go to Heaven: PRIME-VIDEO
- Cats & Dogs 3: Paws Unite!: PRIME-VIDEO
- Dogs [Series]: NETFLIX
- Hotel for Dogs: NETFLIX, PRIME-VIDEO
- Isle of Dogs: DVD, ITUNES, PRIME-VIDEO
- Reservoir Dogs: PRIME-VIDEO
- Show Dogs: DVD, ITUNES, PRIME-VIDEO, SPECTRUM-ACCESS
- Sleeping Dogs Lie: PRIME-VIDEO
- Snow Dogs: ITUNES
- Straw Dogs: DVD
- Vanderpump Dogs [Series]: PEACOCK
- War Dogs: DVD, ITUNES, NETFLIX, PRIME-VIDEO

PLUS:

Search **DCMP**

(Described and

Captioned

Media

Program)

Other ADP Site Features

- Learn all about audio description
 - What and how
 - Samples of description
 - Articles and blogs about description
- Podcasts on audio description
- Training opportunities for describers, and how description is used in educational settings and in academic programs
- Description opportunities across the country in performing arts venues, museums, parks, etc.
- Pointers to providers of AD services
- International AD information

Other Media We Use

We're on Facebook!

- o "Like" Audio Description Project, as over 5000 others have
- Primary use is to announce new described movies and DVDs, plus streaming services' additions
- Additional usage for pointers to site articles and to answer submitted questions

We're on Twitter!

- Use handle @ADPwebmaster for "AD Project" (1600+ followers)
- We generally copy #AudioDescription
- Primary use is to announce new described title additions
- Secondary use is to retweet new information about description

We Have a Listserv (Email Discussion List)!

- o Share information on or ask a question about audio description
- See the About/Contact page on our website to join or view





How YOU Can Help

- 1. If you represent an organization, **send us an article** for the website.
- 2. If you find the ADP Website, Facebook page, or Twitter feed useful ... **spread the word!**
- 3. Help support our site by **purchasing DVDs** or Blu-ray discs via our Amazon links.
- 4. Help support our site by initiating any purchases you choose to make from Amazon via the link on our main page and bookmark that link for future use!
- 5. Use the **DONATE** button at the top of each page!!!

Thank You!

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