How Did Superman Fly Past The Critics?

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When it was first announced in early 2010, the idea of a new Superman movie prompted a mix of eye-rolling and excitement. On the one hand, wasn't there just another Superman reboot in 2006? On the other, "Dark Knight's" Christopher Nolan would be a creative force behind the project.

It's fitting, then, that the movie it became, the Zack Snyder-directed "Man of Steel" — Nolan was a producer and co-writer — received the reaction it did last weekend: a somewhat tepid response from critics but widespread popularity among audiences, who came out to see it in massive numbers.

So what does it mean that one of the most beloved characters in the history of moviedom received this particular reception? A few nuggets worth contemplating about Superman redux, redux.

• Zack is back

Snyder hadn't had a mainstream hit since 2007's "300," a period of futility that included commercial misfires such as "Sucker Punch," "Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole" and "Watchmen." That changed last weekend as "Man of Steel" grossed $116.7 million between Friday and Sunday — the best-ever opening for a film in June (aided, it should be said, by a superwide 4,207 screens). The movie also garnered the highest reviews among Snyder's last three efforts, though at a 57 percent Rotten Tomatoes score it's hardly anything to hang on the mantle. Still, it makes sense why Snyder is on board to make a sequel, the first time in his career he'll revisit his own material.

• Christopher Nolan as Don Corleone

It's worked — sometimes — for Guillermo del Toro and J.J. Abrams. How would godfathering a movie, that squishy process of setting it on its course and steering the director but not hanging out every day on set, go for Nolan? The popularity of "Man of Steel" this weekend proves that he's got the gene too. To a point. It should be noted that fan affection and filmmaker involvement, at least in this case, appear correlated: "Man of Steel" didn't generate nearly the same level or unanimity of fan excitement as the Batman series that Nolan personally stewarded.

• Don't tell them what they already know

Many superhero franchises in recent memory have begun at the beginning — that is, before or just as the hero is acquiring his superpowers. Snyder's Superman goes in a bit of a different direction, showing his parental origins on Krypton but not his boyhood in Kansas as he learned his powers. Instead, we join Clark Kent as an adult as he's already aware of what he can do. The start-in-the-middle idea, for characters whose back story has been well-plowed, proved a success. Expect more where that came from.

• The video game action effect

As many critics regretfully noted, there's barely a moment to breathe in "Man of Steel." Effects-driven mayhem happens from the early minutes to the noisy finale. The movie makes even recent spectacle-fests such as "The A-Team" seem like a picnic by the lake in comparison. But the more-is-more visual approach resonated with viewers, perhaps in particular younger ones accustomed to the razzmatazz of many modern video games.

• Rebooting a reboot

"If at first you don't succeed try, try again" is usually good advice for band auditions, not Hollywood properties. But lately it has, of course, been happening with the biggest movies, especially superhero ones. One example — a take on the Hulk after it had been tried just five years before — didn't work. But last year "The Amazing Spider-Man" restarted a franchise just five years after it appeared to end, generating big money and a sequel. "Man of Steel" is headed in a similar direction.

• Kvelling about Henry Cavill

Casting Henry Cavill as Superman was initially a gamble. Sure, after years of Brits playing villains, they'd successfully started incarnating our biggest superheroes — Christian Bale as Batman, Andrew Garfield as Spider-Man. But those actors were well-known to movie audiences before they ever whisked in to save an imperiled populace. Cavill had done little of profile in the U.S. — his best-known part was in the modestly seen "Immortals." This time he hit a home run. Still, the question remains, did Cavill expand the reach of Superman or the other way around? After all, sometimes the cape can make the man.

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CBS KELO 11 3 11	Dr. Phil (In Stereo) CC		The Dr. Oz Show Randy Jackson; fatty-food fakeouts.		News	CBS Evening News	News	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Big Brother (Season Premiere) (N) (In Stereo) CC		The American Baking Competition "Desserts" (N) CC		Criminal Minds Beth has surprising news for Hotch. (In Stereo)		News	Late Show With David Letterman (N) (In Stereo) CC		The Late Late Show With Craig Ferguson (N) (In Stereo) CC		News	omg! Insider (N) CC	Up to the Minute (N)
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PAY CHANNELS																						
HBO 17 401	★★★ "The Dark Knight Rises" (2012, Action) Christian Bale. Batman faces a masked villain named Bane.					McEnroe/Borg: Fire & Ice CC	★★ "Seeking a Friend for the End of the World" (2012) CC				Newsroom	Veep "D.C."	True Blood "The Sun" CC		Real Time With Bill Maher CC		Family Tree	★★ "Contraband" (2012) Mark Wahlberg, Kate Beckinsale. (In Stereo) CC			"Dark Knight"
HBO2	Ethel	★★ "Two Weeks Notice" (2002) CC			"Madagascar 3: Wanted"				"Miss You Can"		2 Days	Family	★★ "Joyful Noise" (2012) Queen Latifah.				Veep	★★★ "Magic Mike" (2012) (In Stereo)			Cathouse	
MAX 420	★★ "We Bought a Zoo" (2011) Matt Damon. (In Stereo)		★★ "Snow White and the Huntsman" (2012) Kristen Stewart, Charlize Theron. (In Stereo) CC						Banshee (In Stereo) CC		★★ "Rock of Ages" (2012) Julianne Hough, Diego Boneta. (In Stereo) CC				The Jump Off	"Emmanuelle Through Time: Forbidden Pleasures"			★★ "Resident Evil: Apocalypse" (2004) Milla Jovovich.		"Package"	
MAX2	★★ "Battleship" (2012) CC				★★★ "Article 99" (1992) Ray Liotta.			★★ "The Pool Boys" (2011)			★★ "Wanderlust" (2012) CC			★★★ "The Matrix" (1999) Keanu Reeves. CC					★★★ "The Matrix Reloaded" (2003)			
SHOW 18 435	What	"Sympathy for Delicious" CC			★★★ "The Big Lebowski" (1998) CC				★★ "Payback" (1999) Mel Gibson. CC				★★★ "Reservoir Dogs" CC			Gigolos	★★ "Saw" (2004) Cary Elwes. (In Stereo)				★★ "Dark Blue"	
SHOW2	★★★ "The Pianist" (2002) Adrien Brody.				★★ "Salmon Fishing in the Yemen" CC				★★ "People Like Us" (2012) Chris Pine.				★ "About Cherry" (2012) CC			★★ "Drive Angry" (2011) Nicolas Cage.			Patton Oswalt		Monty Py	
TMC	Snow	★ "The Three Musketeers" (2011) CC				★★★ "Mean Girls" (2004)			★★ "Scream 4" (2011) Neve Campbell.				★★ "Daylight" (1996) Sylvester Stallone.				★ "Belly" (1998) Nas, DMX.			The Devil Dared Me To" CC		
CABLE STATIONS																						
A&E 57 41	The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.
AMC 41 54	★★★ "Rio Bravo" (1959, Western) John Wayne, Dean Martin.						★★★ "The Sons of Katie Elder" (1965) John Wayne. CC						★★★ "The Shootist" (1976) CC				★★★ "Galaxy Quest" (1999) Tim Allen. CC					Truman
ANPL 19 43	Pit Bulls-Parole		Wildman	Wildman	River Monsters		Off Hook	Off Hook	Swamp'd!	Swamp'd!	Wildman	Wildman	Wildman	Wildman	Swamp'd!	Swamp'd!	Wildman	Wildman	Wildman	Wildman	Off Hook	Off Hook
BRAVO 25 55	The Real Housewives of Orange County				Newlyweds		Housewives/NJ		Million Dollar Listing		Million Dollar Listing		Chef Roblé & Co.		Happens	Million Dollar Listing		Housewives/NJ		Tabatha Takes Over		Happens
CMTV 38 77	Hell's Kitchen CC		Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Redneck Island		Redneck Island		Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Redneck Island		Redneck Island	
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CNN 33 49	Jake Tapper		The Situation Room (N)				E. B. OutFront		Anderson Cooper		Piers Morgan Live		Anderson Cooper		E. B. OutFront		Piers Morgan Live		Anderson Cooper		E. B. OutFront	
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CSPAN 49 17	Public Affairs		Public Affairs						Capitol Hill Hearings										Capitol Hill Hearings			
DISC 34 44	Fast N' Loud CC		Blood & Oil CC		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		MythBusters (N)		MythBusters (N)		King of the Grill (N)		MythBusters CC		King of the Grill		MythBusters CC		MythBusters CC	
DISN 64 36	★★ "Girl vs. Monster" (2012)		Good	Good	Jessie		Jessie	ANT	Gravity	Austin	Jessie	Good	A.N.T. Farm CC		Jessie	ANT	"Zenon: Girl of the 21st Century" (1999)				Deck	Deck
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E!TV 51 62	Rihanna 777 CC		★★ "Bring It On: All or Nothing" (2006)				E! News (N)		Kardashian		Kardashian		The Soup	The Soup	Chelsea	E! News		Chelsea	The Soup	Wanted	Kardashian	
ENC 480	★★★ "Ali" (2001) Will Smith. (In Stereo)				★★ "Hero" (1992) Dustin Hoffman. CC				★★ "Outbreak" (1995) Dustin Hoffman.				★★★ "Twelve Monkeys" (1995) Bruce Willis. CC				"Natl Lampoon Animal House"		"No Small Affair"	
ESPN 28 24	Soccer		Studio	Pardon	SportsCenter (N)		Draft Preview		College Baseball						SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
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FX 23 56	Two Men	Two Men	★★ "The Twilight Saga: New Moon" (2009) Kristen Stewart.						★★ "The Twilight Saga: Eclipse" (2010, Romance)					★★ "Priest" (2011) Paul Bettany.			★★ "Priest" (2011) Paul Bettany.					Am.-	
FXNWS 50 48	Neil Cavuto		The Five (N)		Special Report		FOX Report		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity (N)		Greta Van Susteren		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity		Greta Van Susteren		The Five	
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HIST 46 47	Swamp People		Swamp People		Swamp People		American Pickers		American Pickers		Larry the Cable Guy		Top Shot All-Stars		Top Shot All-Stars		American Pickers		Larry the Cable Guy		Top Shot All-Stars	
KAUN 15 22	Movin' On		Naked City		Tarzan	Cis. Kid	Hopalong	McCoys	Hillbillies	Ozzie	Highway to Heaven		The Saint		Route 66		Da Vinci's Inquest		Cold Case Files		Cold Squad	
KWSD 12 14	Dragnet	Adam-12	Emergency!		Rifleman	Rifleman	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Bewitch	Jeannie	Mary	Van Dyke	Couple	Hogan	Gallery	Perry Mason CC	Kojak (Part 1 of 2)		Honeym		Mission: Impossible	
LIFE 58 29	Wife Swap CC		Wife Swap CC		★★ "Nights in Rodanthe" (2008) CC				★★ "Where the Heart Is" (2000) CC				★ "Because I Said So" (2007) CC				★★ "Where the Heart Is" (2000) CC				"Because I Said"	
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SOAP 120	Beverly Hills, 90210		Veronica Mars CC		Veronica Mars CC		Young & Restless		Days of our Lives		General Hospital		Young & Restless		Days of our Lives		General Hospital		All My Children		All My Children	
SPEED 63 28	On Edge	Garage	Chop Cut	Gearz	NASCAR Race Hub		PassTime	PassTime	Car Warriors		Wrecked	Wrecked	Pinks	Pinks	Car Warriors		Wrecked	Wrecked	Pinks	Pinks	Unique Whips	
SPIKE 30 60	Tattoo	Tattoo	★★★ "Inglourious Basterds" (2009) Brad Pitt, Mélanie Laurent. Premiere. (In Stereo)						Fight Master				Fight Master		Fight Master		Fight Master		Ways Die	Ways Die	Ways Die	Ways Die
STARZ	★★ "Little Man"		★★ "Christmas With the Kranks" (2004)				★★★ "Finding Nemo" (2003)			★★★ "Premium Rush" (2012)			★★ "Little Man" (2006) Shawn Wayans.				Magic City CC		★★ "Texas Killing Fields" (2011) CC			
SYFY 44 46	Haunted Highway		Haunted Highway		Haunted Highway		Paranormal Witness		Ghost Hunters CC		Ghost Hunters (N)		Paranormal Witness		Ghost Hunters CC		Paranormal Witness		Exit CC		Exit CC	
TBS 36 57	Friends	Friends	Friends	King	King	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Conan (N) CC		Office	Conan CC		Office	"Expecting Mary"	
TCM 76 53	★★ "Black Hand" (1950) Gene Kelly.				★★★ "The Asphalt Jungle" (1950)				★★★ "They Died With Their Boots On" (1941) CC					★★★★ "Rebecca" (1940) Laurence Olivier. CC				★★★★ "Notorious" (1946) Cary Grant.			
TLC 43 45	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Toddlers & Tiaras		Breaking Amish:		Toddlers & Tiaras		Toddlers & Tiaras		My Big Fat Gypsy		Toddlers & Tiaras		My Big Fat Gypsy		Toddlers & Tiaras		Breaking Amish:	
TNT 37 59	Castle CC (DVS)		Castle CC (DVS)		Castle CC		Castle "Boom!"		Castle CC		Franklin & Bash (N)		Castle CC		Franklin & Bash		Falling Skies CC		The Mentalist CC		The Mentalist CC	
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UNI 69	Fútbol		Primer Impacto (N)		Casa	Notic.	Corazón Indomable		Porque el Am.		Amores Verdaderos		Qué Bonito Amor		Impacto	Noticiero	Familia-Suerte		Zacatillo, un		Conducta	Casa
USA 31 58	NCIS "Ravenous"		NCIS "Bait" CC		NCIS "Requiem"		NCIS "Dog Tags"		NCIS "Recruited"		Royal Pains (N)		Necess. Rough		NCIS: Los Angeles		Royal Pains		Necess. Rough		House CC	
VH1 39 76	Behind the Music		Love, Hip Hop		Hit the Floor		★★★ "Clueless" (1995) (In Stereo)				Couples Therapy		Couples Therapy (N)		Model Employee (N)		Couples Therapy		★★★ "Interview With the Vampire"			
WE 30	Rose.	Rose.	Rose.	Rose.	Charmed CC		Charmed CC		L.A. Hair		L.A. Hair		Marriage Boot		Marriage Boot		Pregnant & Dating		Pregnant & Dating		Bridezillas	
WGN 16 18	Walker, Tex. Ranger		Law Order: CI		Funny Home Videos		Funny Home Videos		MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee Brewers. (N) (Live)						News	Videos	Rules	Rules	30 Rock	Scrubs	30 Rock	Sunny

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NBC KDLT 5 5 5	The Doctors (In Stereo) CC		Judge Judy CC	Judge Judy CC	KDLT News (N) CC	NBC Nightly News (N)	KDLT News (N) CC	The Big Bang Theory	Parks and Recreation	Parks and Recreation	The Office Preparing for the documentary premiere. (In Stereo)		America's Got Talent Hopefuls perform for the judges.		KDLT News (N) CC	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N) (In Stereo) CC		Late Night With Jimmy Fallon (In Stereo) CC		Last Call With Carson Daly	According to Jim CC	Paid Program
KCAU 9 6 9	Dr. Phil CC		The Dr. Oz Show		News	ABC	News	Inside	Wipeout (N) CC		Motive (N)		Rookie Blue (N)		News	Jimmy Kimmel Live		Nightline	Paid	Inside	ABC World News	
CBS KELO 11 3 11	Dr. Phil (In Stereo) CC		The Dr. Oz Show Relieving stress; banishing bloat.		News	CBS Evening News	News	Entertainment Tonight (N)	The Big Bang Theory	Two and a Half Men	Person of Interest Finch and Reese meet their match.		Elementary Sherlock and Joan try to stop a robbery. CC		News	Late Show With David Letterman (N) (In Stereo) CC		The Late Late Show With Craig Ferguson (N) (In Stereo) CC		News	omg! Insider (N) CC	Up to the Minute (N)
ABC KSFY 13 7 13	Jeopardy! (N) CC	Be a Millionaire	The Ellen DeGeneres Show (In Stereo) CC		KSFY News at 5 in HD	ABC World News	KSFY News at 6 in HD	Wheel of Fortune CC	Wipeout Obstacles include The Tether Beater. (N) CC		Motive "Against All Odds" A lawyer is murdered. (N)		Rookie Blue Andy and Cruz find a disturbed woman. (N)		KSFY News at 10 in HD	Jimmy Kimmel Live Annette Bening; Tony Goldwyn. (N)		Nightline (N) CC	Paid Program	Extra (N) CC	Paid Program	Paid Program
KMEG 14 13 6	The Doctors CC		Jdg Judy	Jdg Judy	News	CBS	Jeopardy	Wheel	Big Bang	Two Men	Person of Interest		Elementary CC		News	Letterman		Ferguson		Paid	Paid	Minute
FOX KTTW 21 9 7	Maury Maury's hidden camera spies on cheaters. CC		America's Funniest Home Videos (In Stereo) CC		Steve Harvey Steve sends a woman on a date. CC		How I Met Your Mother	How I Met Your Mother	Hell's Kitchen Former winners challenge the finalists.		Does Someone Have to Go? "THV, Part 2 of 2" CC		The Office "Job Fair"	The Office CC	Dish Nation (N) CC	Friends CC	Friends CC	Baggage CC	New Adv./Old Christine	New Adv./Old Christine	Excused CC	Excused CC
KLKN	The Dr. Oz Show		Dr. Phil CC		News	ABC	News	Ent	Wipeout (N) CC		Motive (N)		Rookie Blue (N)		News	Jimmy Kimmel Live		Nightline	Katie CC		ABC World News	
KOLN	Ellen DeGeneres		First Four	Jeopardy	10/11	CBS	News	Wheel	Big Bang	Two Men	Person of Interest		Elementary CC		News	Letterman		Ferguson		Paid	Inside	Minute
KPTH	The People's Court		Maury (N) CC		Big Bang	Two Men	Big Bang	Two Men	Hell's Kitchen (N)		Have to Go?		News	30 Rock	Office	Office	30 Rock	Mother	Mother	Paid	Friends	American
KSCB 97	Jakes	Winston	Mission	Gary	Guillermo	Creflo D.	Jewish	J. Hagee	Parsley	Joni	Marcus and Joni		Blessed	Gospel	Reflec	Copeland	Life To	J. Meyer	Marcus and Joni		Joni	Benny
KSIN 99 12	Arthur	Martha	Wild	WordGirl	Curious	PBS NewsHour (N)		Iowa In	Antiques Roadshow		Death in Paradise		Doc Martin CC		Business	Keep Up	Scott & Bailey		(Off Air)			
KXNE 8	Curious	Super	Arthur	WordGirl	Wild	Electric	PBS NewsHour (N)		Backyard Farmer		Antiques Roadshow		Poirot CC		Dalziel and Pascoe		Consider	Scully	(Off Air)			
PAY CHANNELS																						
HBO 17 401	"Water-Eleph."	REAL Sports With Bryant Gumbel	★ "This Means War" (2012) Reese Witherspoon. (In Stereo)		★★★ "Prometheus" (2012) Noomi Rapace. Explorers wage a terrifying battle to save mankind's future.							The Out List (N) (In Stereo) CC		Veep "D.C."	Cathouse 2: Back in the Saddle CC		Family Tree	True Blood "The Sun" CC		★★★ "American Psycho" (2000) Christian Bale. CC		
HBO2	"Love, Marilyn" (2012) CC		★★ "Journey 2: The Mysterious Island"				★★★ "Moonrise Kingdom"				★★★ "Pitch Perfect" (2012) CC				McEnroe/Borg		"Love, Marilyn" (2012) (In Stereo) CC				Katie	Kalifornia
MAX 420	★★★ "G.I. Jane" (1997, Drama) Demi Moore, Viggo Mortensen. (In Stereo) CC				★★★ "The Five-Year Engagement" (2012) Jason Segel. (In Stereo) CC				★★ "The Hangover Part II" (2011) Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms. (In Stereo) CC				★★ "Battleship" (2012) Taylor Kitsch, Alexander Skarsgrd. (In Stereo) CC				"Birthday Sex" (2012) Young girls celebrate their special day.		★ "Showgirls" (1995) Elizabeth Berkley. (In Stereo) CC			
MAX2	"A Simple Plan"		★★★ "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels" (1988)				★★★ "The Descendants" (2011) CC				★★★ "Ray" (2004) Jamie Foxx. (In Stereo) CC					Jump Off	★★★ "Red Eye" (2005) CC		Forbidden Science Feature 4			
SHOW 18 435	"The Freebie" CC		★★ "The Magic of Belle Isle" (2012)				★★ "But I'm a Cheerleader"			★★★ "Brokeback Mountain" (2005) Heath Ledger.					Polya		"Sexy Baby" (2012) (In Stereo)		★★★ "Blue Valentine" (2010) (In Stereo)			
SHOW2	★ "Why Stop Now?" (2012)		★★ "Die Another Day" (2002) Pierce Brosnan. CC						★★ "Saw" (2004) Cary Elwes. (In Stereo)				★★★ "The Crow" (1994) CC			★★★ "Take This Waltz" (2011) CC			★★★ "The English Patient"			
TMC	9th Gate	★★★ "Heathers" (1989) Winona Ryder.			★★★ "Our Idiot Brother"				"Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn"				★★ "Beastly" (2011) CC			"2 Days in New York" (2012)			"The Family Tree" (2010) CC			Humpday
CABLE STATIONS																						
A&E 57 41	The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		Intervention CC		Intervention "Ryan"		Beyond Scared		Beyond Scared		Intervention CC		Intervention "Ryan"		Beyond Scared	
AMC 41 54	★★★ "Galaxy Quest" (1999)		★★ "Liar Liar" (1997) Jim Carrey.					★★★ "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" (2000) CC					Showville (N) CC		Town	Town	★★ "Liar Liar" (1997) Jim Carrey.				Showville CC	
ANPL 19 43	Pit Bulls-Parole		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		Blue Planet: Seas		Blue Planet: Seas		Blue Planet: Seas		Blue Planet: Seas		Blue Planet: Seas		Blue Planet: Seas		Blue Planet: Seas		Blue Planet: Seas	
BRAVO 25 55	Tabatha Takes Over		Tabatha Takes Over		Tabatha	Housewives/NJ		Housewives/NJ		Housewives/NJ		Jersey	Tabatha Takes Over		Happens	Tabatha Takes Over		Million Dollar Listing		Tabatha Takes Over		Happens
CMTV 38 77	Dog and Beth		Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	★★ "Days of Thunder" (1990) Tom Cruise. CC					TBA	Cops R