# **MOVIE INDUSTRY**

# Threats Encountered on Top Movies' Social Media Properties



ENTERTAINMENT AUDIT

### OUTLINE

SUBJECT	• Threats encountered on top movies' Facebook pages
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industry faces on social media

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- METHOD
- 120k comments from 8 movies' facebook pages were extracted and analyzed in detail

### RESULTS

4,691 threats found1 in 25 comments includes a social media threat

BREAKDOWN OF BIGGEST THREATS FOUND

- Piracy and free streaming
- Misuse of copyright
- Harmful spam

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### MOVIE INDUSTRY FACEBOOK CONTENT ANALYSIS

#### About this audit

BrandBastion performed an analysis on 8 trending movies' Facebook pages to discover what type of threats the movie industry faces on social media. 15,000 comments were extracted and analyzed from each blockbuster's page. Movies analyzed: Warcraft, Suicide Squad, Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice, Ride Along 2, Kung Fu Panda 3, Fifty Shades of Black, 13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers of Benghazi and The 5th Wave.

### Key insights



### Movies receiving most harmful content



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### **SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

### Content Analysis



Most common threats found on pages

PIRACY AND FREE STREAMING



Sarah Niez http://imgur.com/estmCpC

The 5th Wave FullMovie

The 5th Wave FullMovie <a rel="noreferrer nofollow" target="\_blank" href="http://www.youtube.com.channe... IMGUR.COM

HATE SPEECH





COMMENTS LEADING TO MALWARE

### THREAT DISTRIBUTION AMONG AUDITED MOVIES

### • Harmful content distribution



Distribution of harmful content varies across the different movies analyzed

### • Harmful content in terms of volume



Amount of fans exposed to threats Facebook page in order to engage with the brand. When they fall victim to scam schemes and malware they associate these negative experiences with the brand.	Total amount of clicks received by harmful links displayed on pages
Sedsi Ginanjar       Hey Guys TOOK ME HOURS TO FIND, FINALLY G         THE LINK       WATCH         Ride Along 2 (2016) full movie free onlen         bit.ly/1ZMUhcl & http://goo.gl/RbHV6G         Star Wars: The Force Awakens full movie         http://bit.ly/1S5tj1c & http://bit.ly/1Vka2Xs         Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice Full Movie FREE         http://bit.ly/1nj4nWF & http://bit.ly/1nJ7uaV         100% Work	bit.ly/1ZMUhcT received 1,514 clicks
Aden Fram Hey Guys TOOK ME HOURS TO FIND, FINALLY GOT TH LINK, Watch http://bit.ly/23IA42C Good Movie be Happy enjoy to watch	HE http://bit.ly/23IA42C received 1,474 clicks
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### **INSIGHTS ON COMMENTS RELATED TO PIRACY**

### Examples of comments including piracy



Ramdani Nurdiansyah (2) (2) (2) OMG Yess, finally found the link original to movie without register FREE, list movie 2016 : WATCH RIDE ALONG 2 Full Movie™ PLAY : http://okmovie.xyz/movie/323675/ride-along-2.html

WATCH The 5th Wave 2016 Full Movie™ http://okmovie.xyz/movie/299687/the-5th-wave.html

WATCH The Ip Man 3 Full Movie™ http://okmovie.xyz/movie/365222/ip-man-3.html

Daddy's Home Full Movie™ Click ; http://okmovie.xyz/movie/274167/daddy-s-home.html

Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice Full Movie™ PLAY : http://okmovie.xyz/.../batman-v-superman-dawn-of-justice...

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Cool2013movies RIDE ALONG 2 - FULL MOVIE

http://cool2016moviess.blogspot.com/.../watch-ride-along...



Tim Scout Watch Suicide Squad - http://fullmoviesworld.com

Movie watch free movie : The 5th Wave (2016) play : http://bit.ly/1QkMJ1j

#### • Where do piracy comments lead ?



Nimra Khan Watch and download full movie "Fifty Shades of Black (2016)" for free here..

http://www.themovieplay.com/.../fifty-shades-of-black...



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Merry Jhen good news, the film 13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers of Benghazi already directly be viewed online at http://bit.ly/Play-13HoursTheSecretSoldiersofBenghazi



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### **INSIGHTS ON COMMENTS RELATED TO PIRACY**



### • Harmful content distribution by weekday

### • Harmful content distribution by hour



Harmful content is distributed both during and out-of-office hours and peaks at 6AM, 11AM, 3PM and 6PM Pacific Time.

## CONCLUSIONS

### • Key conclusions

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Through extracting and analyzing 120,000 comments, we found that **1 in 25** in the sample included a threat - exposing **32 million** fans to harmful content.



The most common type of spam we discovered was **piracy** and illicit free streaming of movies - making up to **31 percent** of the harmful comments.



**Three percent** of the comments that promised free streaming led to sites where the promised content was available. **97 percent** of links infringing upon movie studio copyrights are impersonating free streaming channels to acquire non-authorized credit card payments and to spread malware or clickbait scams.

#### • Why should the companies and the industry care ?

Every year Hollywood spends millions to promote its newest blockbusters as they hit the big screen. In order to connect with online audiences, movie studios are increasingly turning to social media campaigns to showcase upcoming films.

Global loses due to piracy were \$31.8 billion in 2017 projected to grow to \$51.6 billion in 2022. (source)

Now pirates have new weapons, posting links and harmful content in the comment sections of the social media pages and trailers, to drive even more illegal downloads.

### Pre-release piracy causes a 19.1 percent

decrease in box-office revenue. Pirates are piggybacking Hollywood's social media campaigns and the piracy is costing studios significant amounts of money. (<u>source</u>)

There is lucrative profit to be made in movie piracy, one estimate says illicit online streaming sites collectively make

## \$111 million a year

from advertising alone. As long as people keep clicking through comments promoting illicit streaming, they will keep finding new and creative ways to share this content. (<u>source</u>)

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