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# **Hyde Park on Hudson**

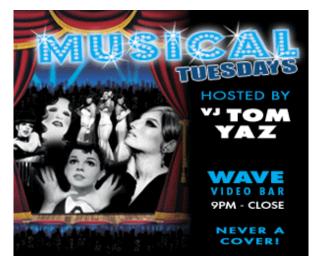
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inverse "Hyde Park on Hudson" is the whisperings of one of history's most crucial gatherings. U.S. President FDR (played with wit and charm by awardwinning Bill Murray) with wife Eleanor in tow (Olivia Williams) and the King and Queen of England meet upstate New York to discuss the imminent war with Germany. The movie, not epic or grand in execution in any way, is what the industry would call a potential crowd-pleaser. But it seems to please just a few hangers-on.

Of course as history has it, FDR has many adventures, some above and others very below board, and the chuckles in the film come from the Americans looking at the queer English with perhaps pity, a slight touch of snobbery and all from their own anomalous behavior. But of course the Brits do the inverse, with some hysterical results for the mass movie watcher who enjoys big moments, great rumbles and an all-American, albeit flat, movie hero. All in all the film satisfies as a sort of entertaining account that not even Laura Linney can save.





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