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ENJOYING LIFE WITH A LITTLE TOKYO DRIFT

HOLLYWOOD — HAVE YOU EVER BEEN SIDEWAYS IN A CAR AND NOT BE AFRAID FOR YOUR LIFE? WELL J!-ENT HAS.

In preparation for *The Fast and The Furious: Tokyo Drift* movie, J!-ENT got special access to see the movie magic.

On a hot June day, select members of the J!-ENT team ventured to the Universal Studios backlots to get a glimpse at the people who brought Tokyo Drift to the big screen and a firsthand look at drifting.

Universal Pictures brought out director Justin Lin and subjected him to questions from the media [listen to the J!-ENT Radio Podcast episode #172].

In cooperation with G4 TV, many drivers and cars from the "Formula D" competition series were onhand to give willing riders a literal spin in their cars.

The J!-ENT crew sat side by side with drivers Dai Yoshihara and Samuel "The Crazy Swede" Hubinette during tandem drift chases. The night ended with a star-studded, red-carpet premiere of the movie at Universal Studios Cinemas at Universal CityWalk in Universal City, Calif. J!-ENT came face-to-face with many Asian American actors familiar to our J!-Ent readers.

So, what about the film?

Don't expect Shakespeare. If you can read the words on this page, then you know going into the theaters to watch *The Fast and The Furious: Tokyo Drift* not to expect Oscar-caliber performances or story lines.

Plain and simply, this is an action movie with hot cars and hot chicks.

The plot is almost something out of 90s prime-time television. It's the Fresh Prince of Tokyo with a monkeywrench. Our protagonist, Sean Boswell (played by Lucas Black) is a loner-outsider with a penchant for trouble (of course) and ultimately gets booted from the states and lands in Japan (that's a mighty kick). Skip to the the end and our hero matures and learns that he can stop being a hardass loner and fit in, even in a culture very unlike his own.

But in between the start and the end is where all the hot action takes place. We get to see the hero spectacularly wreck a masterpiece of a drift car (which was painful to watch), and then wreck another drift car less and less as he learns how to drift through the obligatory training montages. Eventually he becomes super awesome with the ability to actually win races.

Now don't get me wrong. I recommend it to anybody who wants something fun to watch without having to think too hard. Hot girls, decent acting, hot girls, fast cars, hot girls, racing, gun fights (did I mention hot girls?) put this film on my recommended list. Go during the matinee prices. And I suggest leaving the girlfriend at home.



* *"The Fast and The Furious: Tokyo Drift"* film had its red carpet premiere for the stars at Universal Studios. Many drift cars were on display in front of the theater and on the red carpet were the cast of the film such as Lucas Black and Bow Wow.

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