

“Nightcrawler”

There are a host of unforgettable screen villains. The ones that immediately spring to mind are Anthony Hopkins in “Silence of the Lambs” and Javier Bardem, in “No Country For Old Men”. Add to that list Jake Gyllenhaal in “Nightcrawler”. He plays Lou Bloom, a petty criminal who becomes a freelance cameraman roaming the nocturnal streets of L.A. for a local T.V. station seeking to boost its ratings with “viewer discretion advised” crime footage. Bloom is a sociopath who will let nothing stand in his way and is as creepy a soul to appear on screen in sometime. A macabre “Network” for our time. Gyllenhaal hits it out of the park.

(Amazon Prime)