

## FILM: AMERICAN HUSTLE



David O. Russell: Director

Christian Bale: Actor: Irving Rosenfeld Amy Adams: Actress: Sydney Prosser

Jennifer Lawrence: Actress: Rosalyn Rosenfeld

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DISCUSSION SUMMARY: AMERICAN HUSTLE

Our Jan. 19 discussion covered American Hustle, a screwball comedy loosely based on the historical screwball ABSCAM con in the 1970s. As a comedy, it actually "worked" according our resident film group critics (with one exception). In the context of an over-the-top, zany comedy that was commercially over-hyped, the acting was good, the characters definitely entertaining, and the story amusing.

All in all, we gave it an enthusiastic 3.5 on a scale of 1 to 5 with 5 being the best.

(Footnote: Abscam resulted in 19 successful prosecutions, as in the film, these included one US senator and six congressmen.)



See you at the movies! Adriane Dedic, adedic@pacbell.net Film Discussion Group (FDG) organizer