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6/Super Stupor Will *Superman Lives*, starring Nicolas Cage as the Man of Steel, have trouble taking flight?... A Rosie-colored year...HOT SHEET...FLASHES...MONITOR...and more.

16/Scene Hip L.A. hangouts for boozing, cruising, and schmoozing.

20/Biz Comedian Carrot Top gets his props, but no respect.

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Now that the Force is with you and the lava has cooled, brace yourself for this year's crop of summer blockbusters. Our eighth annual roundup offers complete behind-the-scenes info on the season's 100 new offerings, including sequels *Batman & Robin*, *The Lost World: Jurassic Park*, and *Speed 2: Cruise Control*, as well as *Conspiracy Theory*, *Con Air*, *Hercules*, *Titanic*, *My Best Friend's Wedding*, *Face/Off*, and *Men in Black*.

REVIEWS

84/MOVIES OWEN GLEIBERMAN on *The Fifth Element*; *Commandments*. **PLUS:** *Elemental* Milla Jovovich; Lorne Michaels is immortalized as *Austin Powers'* Dr. Evil; *All Over Me's* Alison Folland.

92/TELEVISION KEN TUCKER on *Millennium* and *The X-Files*. **PLUS:** *ER's* Eriq La Salle; *Remote Patrol*; *What to Watch*.

105/BOOKS DANA KENNEDY on *Foster Child*, a family portrait by Jodie Foster's brother. **PLUS:** *Between the Lines*.

111/MUSIC DAVID BROWNE on *Music for the Soul* and *Men Are From Mars, Women Are From Venus*; also soundtracks from *Grosse Pointe Blank* and *Romy and Michele's High School Reunion*. **PLUS:** The decline of the single; R.E.M.'s Peter Dinklage; Sneaker Pimps.

118/MULTIMEDIA TY BURR on Disney's new family website, *Daily Blast*. **PLUS:** Virtual pop star Kyoko Date.

123/VIDEO MICHAEL SAUTER on *Star Trek: First Contact*; director William Wellman. **PLUS:** What the original *Trek* crew is up to.

DEPARTMENTS

4/Mail A timely cover shot of Anne Heche; a Laura Nyro Legacy.
132/Encore May 16, 1990: Muppet creator Jim Henson dies.

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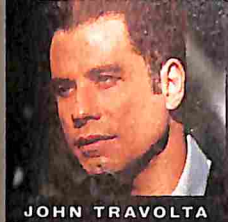
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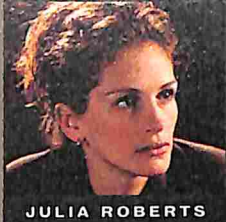
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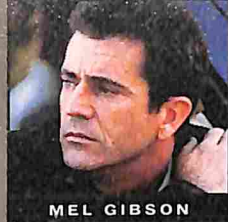
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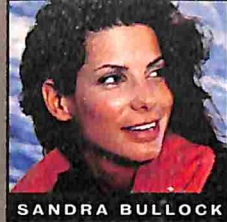
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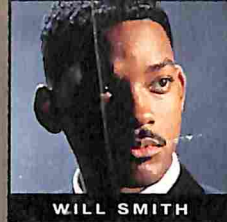
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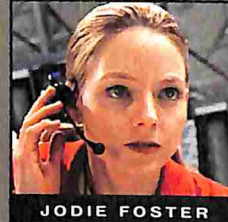
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