

What the Moon Saw

Australia : 1988 : dir. Pino Amenta : Boulevard : 97 min
 prod: Frank Howson : scr: Frank Howson : dir.ph.: David Connel
[Andrew Shephard](#)
 Pat Evison; Danielle Spencer; Mark Hennessy; Max Phipps; Kim Gynge

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Source: NFT Bulletin

NFT Bulletin review:

"A truly delightful Australian film with a stunning central performance from Andrew Shephard as nine-year-old Steven from the outback who goes alone, for the first time, to stay with his grandmother in the big city. Gran, a former Tivoli dancer with "the best legs in the world", works in a theatre box-office and that week they're performing a panto-mime called "Sinbad's Last Adventure". Attracted by the

fantastic costumes and sets, the hero's athleticism and Morgiana's beauty, Steven comes to see himself as Sinbad and in his own way he too rescues a princess. Backstage and front-of-house characters such as Jim Shilling the idealistic writer, and Mr Zachary the mean-minded manager, help make his visit, and this film, a really memorable experience. We are pleased to announce that the writer/producer, Frank Howson, will be with us for this screening."

- Terry Staples

[no listing in "Halliwell's Film Guide", "Leonard Maltin's Movie and Video Guide 2001", "The Critics' Film Guide", "Movies on TV and Videocassette 1988-89", "Rating the Movies (1990)", "The Time Out Film Guide", "TV Times Film & Video Guide 1995", "Variety Movie Guide 1993", "Video Movie Guide 1993" or "The Virgin Film Guide"]

No further information currently available. A theatrical setting *would* make it rather unusual. Perhaps, since we already have a category for city children on holiday in the country, we should make one for rural children discovering the big city, but that's less clear-cut a concept. Nothing else is known of Andrew Shephard.

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