

# Additional media information

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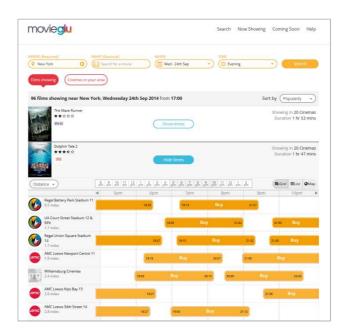
## **Company information**

MovieGlu is a cinema search engine that enables fans to quickly and easily find the best combination of movie, cinema and showtime.

The service is loosely based on the intuitive timeline layout of on-screen TV guides which show both the start and end times of each movie.

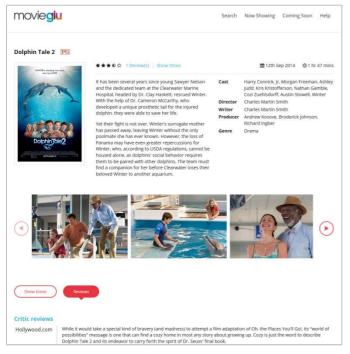
Instead of showing long lists of movies and times for each cinema, MovieGlu is different because we display our search results using this more visual method.

MovieGlu is available in the United States and United Kingdom. The team is located in the United Kingdom.



## **Background**

The idea for MovieGlu started with a conversation about building an online booking system for band practice rooms. We played around with the idea of creating a timeline-based service like a TV guide, or calendar. We quickly realised that this approach could be used for so much more. It wasn't long before we stumbled upon the idea of creating a timeline-based search engine for cinemas.



Creating yet another cinema listings service wasn't going to be enough. Plenty of businesses have done that before. The MovieGlu team were already passionate about creating better user experiences for other products and so decided we could make a difference here.

Some of the most successful businesses in recent times have been the ones who have taken old ideas, and transformed them into something new. Think Amazon, Wikipedia, Netflix, Expedia. We wanted to build something people will use because it solves a problem.

The MovieGlu team believe that searching for movies and cinema showtimes online should be quicker and less frustrating than existing websites and apps. So we decided to challenge the status quo by bringing a fresh approach to an old problem. Old fashioned newspaper-style cinema listings need to become a thing of the past.

# What's the big problem?

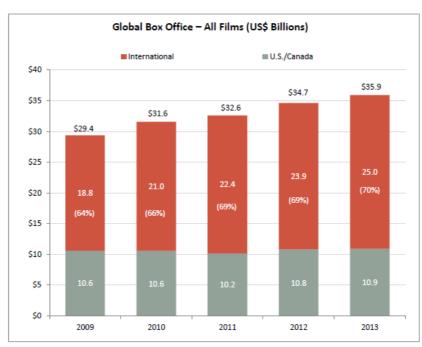
- Internet users spend around 15 minutes per outing researching suitable movies, locations and showtimes
- The majority of people are forced to use multiple websites / apps to find what they want
- Existing providers of movie showtimes remain list-based
- Many websites and apps provide a poor user experience it needs to be easier
- Websites are covered with too many adverts, which are not only distracting, but are generating decreasing financial returns.

### The solution

- Searching showtimes must be simple and fast
- Everything in one place
- Make it visual
- User feedback
- No advertising.

### **Useful statistics**

- The global cinema box office market was worth \$35.9bn in 2013, up from \$29.4bn in 2009
- 1.34 billion cinema tickets were sold in U.S./Canada in 2013
- 68% of the U.S./Canada population (227.8 million people) went to the movies at least once in 2013
- 50% of U.S./Canada tickets sold in 2013 were to frequent moviegoers (once a month or more)
- 78% of frequent moviegoers own a smartphone
- The largest age group of moviegoers is the 25-39 age range.



Source: Motion Picture Association of America, Theatrical Market Statistics 2013

- 71% of moviegoers visit different theaters each time, based on movies and showtimes available
- 64% visit one or more movie theater specific websites when researching their plans
- 56% prefer a timeline based summary of showtimes over the traditional list-based method.

# MovieGlu Co-founder biographies



**Derek Morgan**CEO & Co-founder

Derek Morgan has worked at both early-stage and established businesses for most of his career. Most significantly, Derek worked at Skype for over four years, and was responsible for delivering a consumer focussed re-launch of Skype for Windows to millions of users in 2009.

His most recent role was Product Delivery Director for Rara Media Group, a London-based startup delivering streaming digital music to 32 countries.



**Steve Morgan** Co-founder

Steve Morgan conceived the original idea for MovieGlu, and has worked with Derek on scoping and researching the product for the past three years.

Steve's professional background is in Computer Aided Design (CAD) and Geographic Information Systems (GIS), which led him to identifying the possibilities for MovieGlu's search mapping and unique timeline feature.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

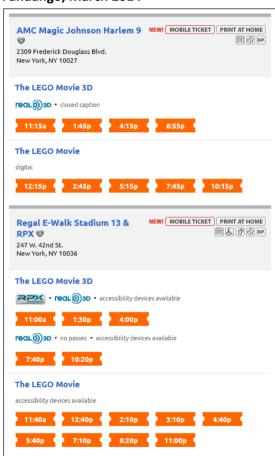
What makes MovieGlu	Our unique timeline view for movie showtimes is our main differentiator. Our
different?	website design is far simpler and easier to use than any of our competitors, and we
	don't have any adverts to clutter up the screen and distract or confuse our users.
How will MovieGlu make	MovieGlu has a number of strategies for generating revenue. Its initial source of
money?	income will be from ticket sale booking fees, as part of an affiliate scheme offered by
	MovieTickets.com. MovieGlu also plans to add subscription services at a later date.
How many movie theaters	As of Summer 2014, MovieGlu's database had details of movies and showtimes for
are listed?	5,877 venues and 43,180 screens – that's every movie theaters in the US, Canada, UK
	and Ireland.
When will Apps be available	We're currently ensuring that our web browser users on PC's, and Mobile devices
for Mobile devices?	have the best possible experience. The feedback and lessons we learn from web
	versions will contribute to our mobile apps, while ensuring that our Apps are also
	tailored specifically for Apple and Android operating systems.
What are your future plans?	At a high level, we plan to make sure that our product provides the best possible user
	experience with the core features. Once we've achieved that objective, we'll move
	on to adding new features, sources of revenue, and roll out to a number of other
	countries.
How do you expect to	Our primary advantage is our ability to build and adapt quickly. Our larger
compete with existing	competitors suffer from slow decision making and bureaucracy, while at MovieGlu if
businesses? What if they	we decide to do something or try something that might benefit our users, we'll just
copy your ideas?	go ahead and do it – maybe even that same day. Our team believe that focussing on
	great user experience is the key to our success.
How is MovieGlu financed?	MovieGlu is privately financed, although it is likely that we will seek external finance
	in the near future as we scale our operations.
Are Derek and Steve	Yes, they are brothers. Derek is the oldest.
Morgan related?	

# **Comparison of existing services**

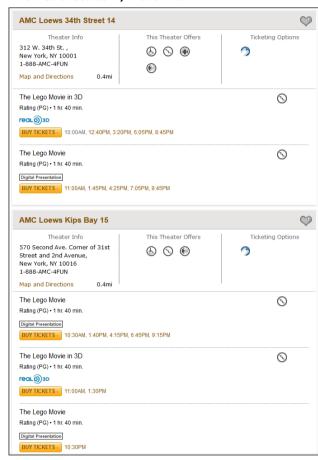
Note that the leading movie services rely heavily on the traditional text based approach of presenting movie showtimes.

The method of using text-based showtimes was inherited from decades of newspaper classifieds listings, as illustrated below.

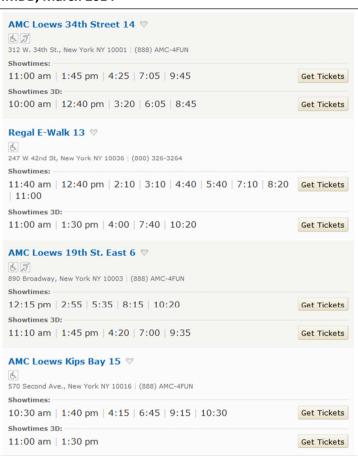
#### Fandango, March 2014



#### Movietickets.com, March 2014



#### IMDB, March 2014

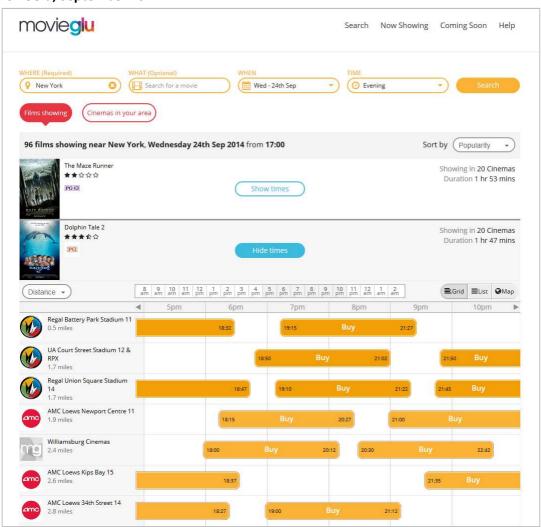


#### **New York Daily News, December 1980**



How cinema showtimes were once presented, in the not-so-distant past.

#### MovieGlu, September 2014



# Thank you for your interest in MovieGlu.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions or would like to arrange an interview.

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