



FUN FACTS:

1. With a box office of over US\$100 million (equivalent to over \$500 million in 2011 dollars) it was the top grossing film of 1969.

2. The Sundance Film Festival, begun by Robert Redford, is named for his role in this film, as is his Utah ski resort. 20th Century Fox did not want Redford, but director George Roy Hill insisted. Redford later said this film catapulted him to stardom and irreversibly changed his career.

3. According to screenwriter William Goldman, his screenplay originally was entitled *The Sundance Kid and Butch Cassidy*. Both Steve McQueen and Paul Newman read the script at approximately the same time, and agreed to do it, with McQueen playing the Sundance Kid. When McQueen dropped out, the names reversed in the title, as Newman was a superstar.

4. With nine wins it currently holds the record for the British Academy Awards (BAFTAs). It won for picture, actor (Robert Redford), actress (Katharine Ross), direction (George Roy Hill), screenplay, cinematography, film editing, sound and score.

5. The now-famous leap off the cliff to elude capture was done earlier by Tyrone Power as Jesse James in the 1939 film *Jesse James* (1939).

Two Western bank/train robbers flee to Bolivia when the law gets too close.

Release date: September 23, 1969

Directed by George Roy Hill
Produced by John Foreman

Written by William Goldman

Cinematography by Conrad L. Hall

Music by Burt Bacharach (music) , Hal David (lyrics)

STARRING:

Paul Newman.....Butch Cassidy
Robert Redford.....The Sundance Kid
Katharine Ross.....Etta Place
Strother Martins.....Percy Garris
Henry Jones.....Bike Saleman
Jeff Corey.....Sherriff Bledsoe
George Firth.....Woodcock
Cloris Leachman.....Agnes
Ted Cassidy.,.....Harvey Logan
Kenneth Mars.....Marshall
Donnelly Rhodes.....Macon
Sam ElliottCard Player #2

UP NEXT:

2010-2011 Classic Film Series continues
in July with *Spartacus* (1960)
presented in 2K Digital!
Wednesday, July 13, at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, July 24, at 1:00 p.m.
Tickets are now on sale!