Gone with the Wind pulled by HBO Max pending new introduction about racist content



Hollywood, June 12 (RHC)-- HBO Max has temporarily removed the film "Gone with the Wind" from its streaming video service.

The Washington Post reports HBO's parent company, WarnerMedia, is planning to make the 1939 Hollywood blockbuster available again next week, after adding a new introduction from a yet-to-be-named African American studies scholar.

"Gone with the Wind" was taken offline just hours after screenwriter John Ridley, who won an Oscar for "12 Years a Slave," wrote in an L.A. Times op-ed: "It is a film that glorifies the antebellum south. It is a film that, when it is not ignoring the horrors of slavery, pauses only to perpetuate some of the most painful stereotypes of people of color."

President Trump has repeatedly praised "Gone with the Wind." This is Trump at a Las Vegas campaign rally in late February.

President Donald Trump: "What ever happened to 'Gone with the Wind,' that beautiful movie? Vivien Leigh, Clark Gable, right? What ever happened? Bring back 'Gone with the Wind'!"

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