Subject: Apropos of Nothing Posted by David Fanning on Mon, 07 Dec 2009 20:18:47 GMT

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Folks,

This is apropos of nothing, except that a morning of heavy IDL programming has done nothing to chase the memory of this film from my head. But if you haven't yet seen James Marsh's documentary of Philippe Petit's tightrope walk in 1974 between the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York, entitled Man on Wire, you should. I didn't think anything would push Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid out of its place as my top movie of all time (in my day we memorized movie dialog rather than played computer games as a way to waste our lives away), but this one may have surpassed it.

http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1155592/

If you have, say, a recent college graduate coming to grips with his or her place in the world, this would make a superb Christmas gift. :-)

Cheers.

David

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Subject: Re: Apropos of Nothing Posted by David Fanning on Wed, 09 Dec 2009 18:29:33 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Laura writes:

- > I've read the picture book, "THE MAN WHO WALKED BETWEEN THE TOWERS",
- > to my daughter, very nice story. Now I need to check if the library
- > has this movie.....

I'd screen it before I sat down with my young child. It did take place in the 1970's amid the prevailing drugs, sex, and rock and roll. You might be called upon to do

some explaining. :-)
Cheers,
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