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## Kevin James stars 'Solo Mio'



Art teacher Matt Taylor (Kevin James, right) is left at the altar and goes on his Italian "honeymoon" anyway in the new romantic comedy "Solo Mio." PROVIDED BY ANGEL STUDIOS

## RI filmmakers' biggest break yet shares message of hope

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For the filmmaking Kinnane brothers of Little Compton, the message of hope resonates in their new movie, "Solo Mio," starring Kevin James.

The team of eight has been chasing childhood dreams of making movies for years and has had several successes, but "Solo Mio" marks their widest commercial release, and it's the first major project for which the seven brothers and one brother-in-law received official credits.

The romantic comedy tells the story of Matt Taylor, played by James, who decides to go on his honeymoon in Italy alone after he's left at the altar in Rome.

"You root for Kevin's character and what he's going through, and so it's got a lot of funny stuff in there, but it also has a lot of heart," said Chuck Kinnane, 42, a director of the film.

"It's about family. It's about how it's never too late to start over," Kinnane said. "I think those are themes we can relate to. We've been working at this a long time. We think it's a theme a lot of people can relate to."

The film was released by Angel Studios on Friday, Feb. 6, to 3,000 screens, and the brothers went to Picture Show Entertainment in Fall River's South-Coast Marketplace in Massachusetts on Friday to watch it with family and friends. It was a full-circle moment for the Kinnanes, who filmed home movies



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together as kids. Without a movie theater in Little Compton, they watched their first movies at SouthCoast's predecessor theater in Fall River.

### What's it like working with Kevin James?

An independent film, television and content production company, Kinnane Brothers got its official start in 2017 after Chuck Kinnane and his brother-in-law,

Jeffrey Azize, needed crew for a documentary they were making in Brooklyn. They recruited six Kinnane brothers, who abandoned jobs in fields such as carpentry, painting, landscaping and masonry work to make movies.

"We were trying to find people we liked working with," Chuck said to The Hollywood Reporter in 2020. "So we just built a crew at home."

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## Castle Hill Inn will move forward after fire

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Castle Hill Inn has announced its plans for the upcoming months as it recovers from the two-alarm fire that damaged the historic mansion inn on Thursday, Feb. 5.

"As we continue to develop a timeline for reopening Castle Hill, we want to express our deepest gratitude to the community for the extraordinary outpouring of support," Castle Hill Inn wrote in a post on social media. "It has meant a great deal to everyone impacted by the recent fire."

In its most recent statement, Castle Hill Inn announced it will be welcoming guests back for overnight stays at its Beach Houses and Beach Cottages starting March 5, with the expectation that the main mansion will reopen in the spring. The 1870 Gilded Age summer cottage at the heart of the luxury hotel complex was the building affected by the Feb. 5 fire, the blaze having started, according to the Office of the State Fire Marshal, by accident from a wood-burning fireplace and traveling through the wall, primarily affecting a third-floor bathroom and adjacent attic space.

The inn said that previously booked weddings will proceed as planned, owing to the fact that its event spaces are adjacent but separate from the main mansion building and supported by the Chalet kitchen. The Chalet, a separate building from the Alexander Agassiz mansion, is also where much of the hotel operations will be relocated, including the hotel's spa, The Retreat at Castle Hill by Farmaesthetics.

By Memorial Day, the hotel hopes to reopen its restaurants and bars, such as The Lawn Terrace and Aurelia at Castle Hill. It also stated that further updates on the reopening of rooms and suites inside the Agassiz Mansion proper will be shared in the coming weeks. Affected staff members have been temporarily placed at other Newport Restaurant Group properties.

## Man released in Guthrie disappearance probe

### Person of interest seen in doorbell camera

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More than a week after Savannah Guthrie's mother, Nancy Guthrie, went missing from her Arizona home in a possible kidnapping, law enforcement took a person in for questioning.

Pima County Sheriff's Department deputies "detained a subject during a traffic stop south of Tucson" and questioned the person "in connection to the

Nancy Guthrie investigation," according to a statement obtained by USA TODAY. Details about the person have not been made public.

A man who was detained in Rio Rico, Arizona, in connection with the abduction said he was released after questioning, according to the New York Times and Fox News. Authorities said that they detained the person in connection with the Guthrie case during a traffic stop.

The sheriff's department did not share any information about what prompted officers to stop the person on the road.

The development in the case came

hours after the FBI released photos and videos of a possible suspect, who was captured on film by Nancy Guthrie's doorbell camera. The person, who wore a ski mask and gloves and appeared to be "armed," per FBI Director Kash Patel, has not been identified by law enforcement.

Authorities have not identified the masked person but Patel did describe that person as "of interest."

"I do believe we are looking at people who, as we say, are persons of interest," Patel said of the surveillance footage taken from a supposedly deactivated

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Investigators canvass the area after the disappearance of Nancy Guthrie in Tucson, Arizona. The search continues after footage from a doorbell camera showed a suspicious person.

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