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Ben Affleck Admits Daredevil Kinda Sucked

News that a [Daredevil](#) reboot [is in the works](#) wasn't entirely surprising given the number of reboots of late. However, it was a little unusual, considering the 2003 movie failed to inspire sequels and create a franchise outside of the poorly received [Elektra](#) spin-off.

[Ben Affleck](#), who played lawyer-turned-superhero Matt Murdock, recently admitted to MTV that the movie [wasn't as good as it should have been](#).

Well, I think we missed a lot in that movie, but I think [Daredevil was] before they really kind of figured out how to do [superhero movies] right. Now they've become "A" movies, and they've been embraced in a way that they weren't totally. Although they made some good ones. Now they dedicate these kind of resources and focus to them in a way that's ... because audiences have really have come out. And they demand a level of quality from them, as well they should, that is no less than the very best.

From the content of the interview, it doesn't appear like Affleck will be donning the magenta-hued leather jumpsuit of the blind superhero in the upcoming reboot. So far, [David Scarpa](#) has been hired to write the script for the reboot, but no cast or director has been announced.

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Daredevil Reboot in the Works

In yet another case of a superhero franchise having its reset button pushed, Deadline is reporting that an all new [Daredevil](#) movie is [in the works](#) at New Regency, the makers of the original 2003 Marvel Comics adaptation that starred [Ben Affleck](#) as a blind man with superhuman senses who practices law by day and fights crime at night. Former Fox executive **Peter Chernin** is producing and [David Scarpa](#) (The Day the Earth Stood Still) has been hired to write the screenplay, but no director has been announced.

It wasn't too long ago that remakes and reboots were met with almost universal derision, considered the last-ditch efforts of studios desperately trying to wring some earning potential out of established concepts in the absence of fresh ideas. However, when it comes to comic book movies, the reboot has become a staple that, some would say, is a necessity. A perfect example of this is the masterful way in which Warner Bros. salvaged its Batman franchise, languishing since [Joel Schumacher](#)'s abysmally campy [Batman & Robin](#), by starting from scratch with [Christopher Nolan](#)'s dark and realistic [Batman Begins](#).

In the case of Batman, the potential rewards of rebooting the franchise were obviously worth the risks, considering the franchise had already generated billions of dollars for Warner Bros. at the box office and in seemingly endless merchandising deals. For Regency, investment in a Daredevil reboot is a far riskier proposition considering the modest [box-office take](#) of the original and the fact that the [Elektra](#) spin-off would have [lost a lot of money](#) if not for international ticket sales (and still may have, when one factors in the costs associated with promoting it).

Still, comic book movies are the hot genre right now and will likely continue to be so in the near future. And, since New Regency doesn't own the characters ? that would be Marvel Studios and parent company Disney ? they stand to lose the rights to produce projects based on Daredevil, Elektra, the Kingpin, Bullseye, and other related characters if they don't get something in production soon.

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