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The Jacko Has Landed -- In Vegas

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Merry Christmas, Las Vegas! It looks like you're getting the King of Pop under your tree this year.

Michael Jackson has decided to end his self-imposed exile in Ireland and Bahrain, and make his big "comeback" in that city of broken dreams, Las Vegas. [Us Weekly](#) reports that the singer has already moved into a mansion in Vegas and that he's working on a deal to do a live show on the Strip, joining Celine Dion, Prince and others.



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Jack Wishna, described as "gaming dealmaker," is the force behind Jackson's triumphant return to U.S. shores, and he tells the [Las Vegas Review-Journal](#) that Jackson "is poised to return to the top" of showbiz. Just after Jackson was acquitted in June 2005, the TV show "Celebrity Justice" reported that Jackson had struck a deal with Steve Wynn to perform in Vegas. Peeps for Wynn and Jacko then told "CJ" that the story wasn't true. It just remains to be seen, doesn't it?



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Seacrest-Carson B***hfight Brewing Over New Year's Eve?

For the second year running, Ryan Seacrest and Carson Daly will be hosting New Year's Eve specials, prompting the [Los Angeles Times](#) to ask, could there be a rivalry brewing between the two to be the ultimate heir to Dick Clark's Dec. 31st throne? Daly says no: "I'm not trying to keep his tradition. I'm trying to do my own." But Seacrest, who has been filling in for Clark since the TV legend suffered a stroke in 2004, recognizes that he's not taken the reins just yet. "These shows are like kids to him, his babies," says Ryan of Clark. With younger musical acts, Daly's NBC show is somewhat less traditional and not as focused on the pandemonium of Times Square as the Clark-Seacrest version -- which is still the king, attracting a remarkable 20.1 million viewers in the 11:30-12:30 hour,

though there's no metric on how many of those viewers are actually able to watch the TV.

Moss-Doherty, Part 143: It's On, Again



What would a lovely Christmas morn be without the latest on Kate Moss and Pete Doherty? According to London's Mail on Sunday (via [Page Six](#)), the ever-tragic pair could get hitched sometime this week. (Please, do it, for everyone's sake!) "Both Kate and Pete have invited close friends and family to meet them" at a local registrar's office, says a source, and then a big party has been planned for January in Ibiza. Meanwhile, Kate is spending New Year's Eve on the island of Phuket in Thailand, along with her pal Sarah, Duchess of York.



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The Ben Stiller museum-comes-to-life film "Night at the Museum" took the box office crown over the weekend, with a three-day take of \$30.8 million. Will Smith's "The Pursuit of Happyness," last week's no. 1, came in second with \$15 million, and "Rocky Balboa" took in \$12.5 million to inch over \$22 million total. ... Singer-songwriter extraordinaire and Replacements frontman Paul Westerberg severely injured his left hand when he put a screwdriver through it, cutting nerves and tearing cartilage, said [Jim Walsh](#), a Minneapolis music blogger. Westerberg may be away from the guitar for a year. ... "Taxi" actress Marilu Henner married her former college roommate's ex-boyfriend Michael Brown, says the [New York Times](#). Brown proposed to her from his hospital bed after waking up from cancer surgery. The couple went to the University of Chicago together and were married in Los Angeles last week.

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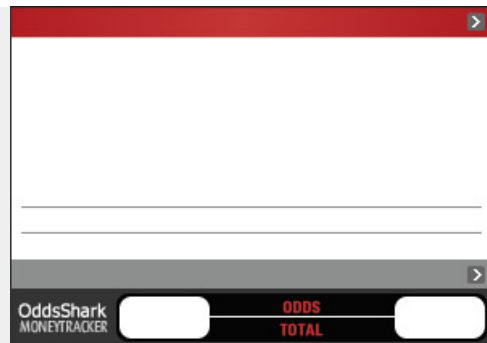
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1. Ahhhh nothing to say.

Posted at 9:25 AM on Dec 25, 2006 by Crazy DiamonD

2. Stiller's looking old. O_O

Posted at 9:45 AM on Dec 25, 2006 by Brandi

3. This movie was really funny and had a great message. I thought it was awesome!

Posted at 11:42 AM on Dec 25, 2006 by Doyle Devereux

4. First it was Dubai, then Ireland, he found out the Japs didn't want to have to pay to be seen with him, now Vegas.

When will he get "it" he was a very successful performer, but now it over.

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Posted at 11:49 AM on Dec 25, 2006 by We, are not amused.

5. Michael Jackson got tired of Ireland and Bahrain and went to Las Vegas? Have fun trying to regain your former superstar status. In the words of the Hollies. "It's over."

Posted at 5:24 PM on Dec 25, 2006 by george vieto

6. Hopefully he will fail in Vegas and he can go back to another country and get the hell out of the US. That guy is a F.R.E.A.K.

Posted at 6:47 PM on Dec 25, 2006 by My two cents

7. Even with what has happened to Michael Jackson and him being an alleged paedophile, I bet people will still go to his shows. I bet he'll be a sell-out in Vegas. Just watch. His fans are as loony as him.

Posted at 7:47 PM on Dec 25, 2006 by The Slasher

8. Isn't it funny when performers are the last to realize it's over. Michael, it's over you are a freak. Also, you are a kid toucher and there is nothing worse. Go climb in a hole and beat it!

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Jeremy Jackson on "Baywatch." - 'Memba Him?!

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Posted at 8:33 PM on Dec 25, 2006 by Lenn K

9. Ugh, why are Kate and Pete getting married!?

Posted at 8:44 PM on Dec 25, 2006 by Adrienne

10. thats why he's going to vegas, thats where entertainers go to die, just one last stop before he goes completly crazy and really hurts some innocent kids.

Posted at 4:18 AM on Dec 26, 2006 by kr

11. Attention to all parents who has male children under the age of 10, TH JACKO IS COMING ! HIDE YOUR KIDS !

Posted at 1:42 PM on Dec 26, 2006 by Carl

12. The King of Pop is back! It's about time.....I can't wait to see him perform live!

What a great entertainer & humanitarian.

Best of Luck in 2007 Michael!

Posted at 6:10 PM on Dec 26, 2006 by goodoboy

13. The King of Pop is back! It's about time.....I can't wait to see him perform live!

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Posted at 6:14 PM on Dec 26, 2006 by goodoboy

14. This movie was based on the IMAX Theater in Washington DC's great 3d hit. I'm not surprised that it did so well.

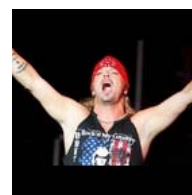
Posted at 9:52 PM on Dec 26, 2006 by Michael

15. Michael Jackson looks like Yoko Ono.

Posted at 11:46 AM on Dec 27, 2006 by Brother Harold, S.J.

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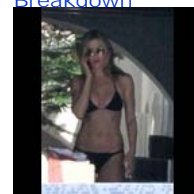
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- This time of year it does tend to get a little nippy outside.
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- You can't see but he also cut off his own arm to portray Franco in "127 Hours."



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