

F6760 FORREST GUMP (USA, 1994)

Credits: director, Robert Zemeckis ; writer, Eric Roth ; novel, Winston Groom.

Cast: Tom Hanks, Robin Wright, Gary Sinise.

Summary: Comedy/melodrama set in Alabama, Vietnam and other places over a forty year period from the 1950s to the 80s. Forrest Gump (Hanks), the dimwitted hero (75 IQ) is encouraged as a child to achieve by his single mother. He becomes a runner of note despite a physical handicap and is recruited as a football player by the University of Alabama. There he becomes a star but flunks out and is drafted and sent to Vietnam. In Vietnam he becomes an accidental hero and is decorated by Lyndon Johnson. He goes on to become a world class ping-pong player, a wrestler, and a business tycoon. He discovers the truth about Richard Nixon, and suffers the ups and downs of love.

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