

North

US : 1994 : dir. Rob Reiner : Columbia / Newline : 88 min
 prod: : scr: Rob Reiner & Alan Zweibel : dir.ph.:
[Elijah Wood](#); [Mathew McCurley](#)
 Bruce Willis; Jason Alexander; Julia Louis-Dreyfus; Kathy Bates; Kelly McGillis; Dan Aykroyd;
 Reba McEntire; Abe Vigoda; John Ritter; Faith Ford; Richard Belzer; Jon Lovitz; Alan Arkin;
 Alan Rachins; Alexander Godunov; Kelly McGillis; Rosalind Chao

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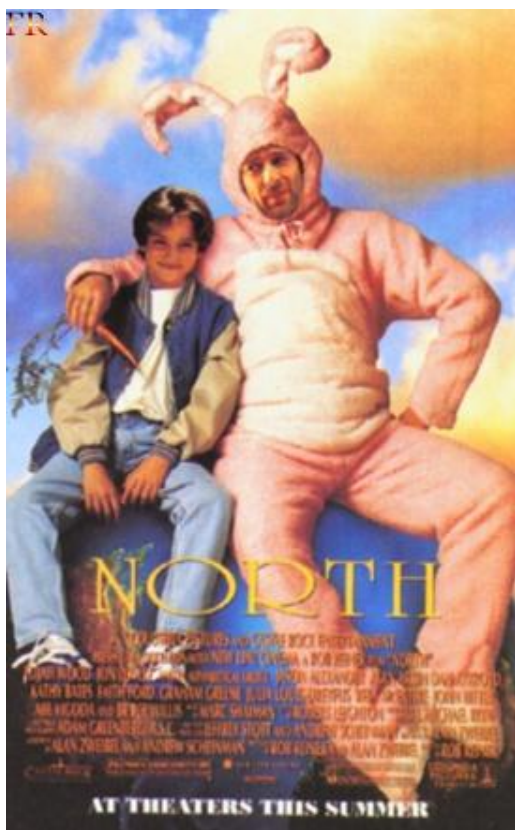


Someone breaks the news to Elijah that his best buddy in this film is going to be Bruce Willis – in a pink bunny suit.
 Source for all stills: indeterminate website

Leonard Maltin's Movie and Video Guide 1996 review:

“Eleven-year old boy who’s convinced his folks don’t appreciate him goes to court and wins the right to choose new parents, then

travels the world to find the ideal mom and dad. This wrong-headed movie never connects, and leads to an unemotional and all-too-predictable finale. Reiner co-scripted with Alan Zweibel, on whose novel this was based. *½ ”



Don't say you weren't warned!

TV Times Film & Video Guide 1995 review:

"A dumb comedy-fantasy about a boy, North (Elijah Wood) who, tired of his selfish parents, wins a court action against them and is given a limited period to circumnavigate the world in search of a new family. The school genius (Mathew McCurley) meanwhile uses North's fame and influence to establish his own power base whose Macchiavellian proportions will be ruined if North returns home. Following an unpromising beginning, all the episodes of North's search are cut to the same formula of initial enthusiasm for prospective parents in Texas, Hawaii, Alaska, China, Zaire, France, then disillusionment, plus a hor-

"Wood, hot from **"THE GOOD SON"**, is the 11-year old called North who, feeling less than appreciated by his inattentive parents, sets himself up as a "free agent" and begins a global search for his "perfect parents" with Bruce Willis along for the ride as his guardian angel. Buzz: **"STAND BY ME"** proved Reiner could direct kids while **"A FEW GOOD MEN"** seemed to indicate that - hey! - Marty Di Bergi isn't losing his midas touch..."

Videocassette - **CINEMA CLUB VHS CC7296** - sleeve notes:

"From Rob Reiner (director of **"WHEN HARRY MET SALLY"**), comes an adventurous comedy about a boy named North. The one thing we cannot control in our lives is who our parents will be. North decides to change all that and to divorce himself from his parents and to his surprise the judge rules in his favour! However, there's one condition... if he is not in the arms of either new parents or returned to the arms of his former ones within 3 months, he will be sent to an orphanage!

So now the search is on right across the globe to find parents who are kind, generous, educated and ones who will respect him. Along the way he is aided by a Guardian Angel dressed as a pink bunny, Bruce Willis! He's always on hand to give him helpful advice. Will North find his perfect parents? Follow his many adventures around the World and discover how he learns that home is where the heart is!"



Word has it this is a turkey of the first magnitude - and one glimpse of Bruce Willis in his bunny costume only confirms this report.

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