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2018 (subtitled onscreen as Everyone is a Hero) is a 2023 Indian Malayalam-language disaster film based on the 2018 Kerala floods. Directed by Jude Anthany Joseph, who co-wrote the screenplay with Akhil P. Dharmajan, the film is produced by Venu Kunnappilly, C.K. Padmakumar, and Anto Joseph under the banners of Kavya Film Company and PK Prime Production. The film stars an ensemble cast consisting of Tovino Thomas, Kunchacko Boban, Asif Ali, Vineeth Sreenivasan, Narain, Tanvi Ram, Aparna Balamurali, and Lal.

The film was announced in September 2018 by Jude Anthany Joseph, under the tentative title of 2403 Ft.: The Story Of Unexpected Heroes, before being titled 2018. Principal photography commenced in October 2019 and took place across different parts Kerala, such as Thrissur, Ernakulam, Alappuzha, Kottayam, Idukki, and Kollam as well as in Tirunelveli in Tamil Nadu. Although production had been delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it resumed in May 2022 and concluded on 13 November 2022. The music was composed by Nobin Paul and Francis Williams, whilst the cinematography and editing were handled by Chaman Chakko and Akhil George, respectively.

Initially scheduled to release on 21 April 2023, 2018 was released on 5 May 2023. The film received generally positive reviews and emerged as a commercial success, grossing ₹177 crore (US\$21 million) becoming the highest-grossing Malayalam film of all time exceeding Pulimurugan (2016) until Manjummel Boys (2024) took over. The film was chosen by the Film Federation of India as India's official entry for Best International Feature Film at the 96th Academy Awards. It was chosen as it addresses a global issue and depicts the harrowing realities of what a natural calamity is for common people. It became the fourth Malayalam film after Guru (1997), Adaminte Makan Abu (2011) and Jallikattu (2019) to be selected as India's official submission for the Academy Awards, although it failed to make the cut. It was featured in the 54th IFFI Indian panorama mainstream section.

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has already been recorded as cast, leading to him raising awareness against electoral fraud and contesting as a non-partisan politician in the elections amidst several attempts made on his life and reputation.

Principal photography for the film began in January 2018. Murugadoss collaborated with Vijay for the third time with Sarkar, which was the latter's 62nd film and given the tentative title of Thalapathy 62. In early December 2017, Sun Pictures agreed to produce the film. While Girish Gangadharan handled the cinematography, A. Sreekar Prasad served as the editor. In August, a few scenes were shot at Las Vegas. Filming was completed by September 2018. The film's soundtrack was composed by A. R. Rahman with lyrics written by Vivek.

After various complications, including protests and allegations of plagiarism, Sarkar was released on 6 November 2018 on the week of Diwali. The film received mixed to positive reviews from critics. Post-release, the film involved in controversies with reference to J. Jayalalithaa in the audio track and other sequences from the film led to protests by members of the All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam. After lawsuits were registered against the makers, the said allusions were muted. Sarkar has grossed ₹243.90–253 crore worldwide in its entire run and emerged as a commercial success.

Sarkar became Vijay's third film to collect \$1 million at the US box office, following Theri and Mersal. As a result of the film's success, the Election Commission of India created awareness regarding Section 49P of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961 that allows a voter to have the right to get back his/her ballot back and vote if someone else voted in that individual's name. Sarkar was screened at Grand Rex, France and was also screened in Japan.

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Greta held its world premiere at the Toronto International Film Festival on 6 September 2018. It was theatrically released on 1 March 2019 in the United States, by Focus Features. The film grossed over \$18 million worldwide and received mixed reviews from critics.

Philadelphia Wings (2018–present)

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Unlike previous games, which were loosely based on Greek mythology, this installment transitioned the series to Norse mythology, with the majority of it set in ancient Scandinavia in the realm of Midgard. For the first time in the series, there are 2 protagonists: Kratos, the former Greek God of War who remains the only playable character, and his young son, Atreus. Following the death of Kratos's second wife and Atreus's mother, Faye, the two embark on a journey to fulfill her request that her ashes be spread at the highest peak of the nine realms. Kratos keeps his troubled past a secret from Atreus, who is unaware of his divine nature. Along their journey, they come into conflict with monsters and gods of the Norse world.

Described by creative director Cory Barlog as a reimagining of the franchise, a major gameplay change is that Kratos makes prominent use of a magical battle axe known as the Leviathan Axe instead of his signature double-chained blades called the Blades of Chaos. The game also uses an over-the-shoulder free camera, with the game in one shot, as opposed to the fixed cinematic camera of the previous entries. It also includes role-playing game elements, and Kratos's son Atreus provides assistance in combat. The majority of the original game's development team worked on God of War and designed it to be accessible and grounded. A separate short text-based game, A Call from the Wilds, was released in February 2018 through Facebook Messenger and follows Atreus on his first adventure. Three days before God of War's release, a smartphone companion app called Mimir's Vision was made available, providing additional information about the game's Norse setting.

God of War received universal acclaim from critics for its story, world design, art direction, music, graphics, combat system, and characters, in particular the dynamic between Kratos and Atreus. Many reviewers felt it had successfully revitalized the series without losing the core identity of its predecessors. It was named Game of the Year by numerous media outlets and award shows, and has been cited as among the greatest video games ever made. The game also performed well commercially, selling over 5 million units within a month of its release and 23 million units sold by November 2022, making it one of the best-selling PlayStation 4 games and the best-selling game in the series. A novelization was released in August 2018, followed by a prequel comic series published from November 2018 to June 2021, while a live-action television series is in development for Amazon Prime Video. A sequel, God of War Ragnarök, was released for the PlayStation 4 and PlayStation 5 in November 2022, and for Windows in 2024.

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In late November 2017, Raj & DK approached Rao to star in their debut production. To prepare for his role as a tailor, Rao learned to sew. In December, Shraddha Kapoor was confirmed as the female lead. Amar Kaushik was enlisted to direct the film in January 2018. Principal photography began on 13 January 2018 in Chanderi, with additional filming in Bhopal and Mumbai. The final schedule was completed in May 2018. The soundtrack was composed by Sachin–Jigar with lyrics written by Vayu, Badshah and Jigar Saraiya.

Stree was theatrically released worldwide on 31 August 2018 and received positive reviews from critics. The film grossed over ₹180 crore at the box office against a budget of ₹23–25 crore, becoming a major commercial success at the box-office. At the 64th Filmfare Awards, the film received 10 nominations, including Best Film, Best Director (Kaushik), Best Actor (Rao) and Best Supporting Actor (for both Khurana and Tripathi), winning Best Debut Director (Kaushik). It is the first installment in Maddock Horror Comedy Universe followed by Bhediya (2022) and Munjya (2024). A sequel titled Stree 2 was released on

Independence Day 2024, which was also a major commercial success at the box office.

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The tournament phase involved 32 teams, of which 31 came through qualifying competitions, while the host nation Russia qualified automatically. Of the 32, 20 had also appeared in the 2014 event, while Iceland and Panama each made their debut at the World Cup. 64 matches were played in 12 venues across 11 cities. Germany, the defending champions, were eliminated in the group stage for the first time since 1938. Host nation Russia was eliminated in the quarter-finals. In the final, France played Croatia on 15 July at Luzhniki Stadium in Moscow. France won the match 4–2, claiming their second World Cup and becoming the fourth consecutive title won by a European team, after Italy in 2006, Spain in 2010, and Germany in 2014 - a winning streak for the teams representing the same continent that extended the record broken four years earlier.

Croatian player Luka Modrić was voted the tournament's best player, winning the Golden Ball. England's Harry Kane won the Golden Boot as he scored the most goals during the tournament with six. Belgium's Thibaut Courtois won the Golden Glove, awarded to the goalkeeper with the best performance. It has been estimated that more than 3 million people attended games during the tournament.

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Skin had its world premiere at the 2018 Toronto International Film Festival on September 8, 2018 and was released on June 27, 2019 through DirecTV Cinema before a wide release on July 26, 2019 by A24.

2018 Horizon Air Bombardier Q400 incident

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On August 10, 2018, a Horizon Air De Havilland Canada Dash 8-400 was stolen from Seattle–Tacoma International Airport (Sea–Tac) by 28-year-old Richard Russell, a Horizon Air ground service agent with no piloting experience. After Russell performed an unauthorized takeoff, two McDonnell Douglas F-15 Eagle fighters were scrambled to intercept the aircraft. Sea–Tac air traffic control made radio contact with Russell, the sole occupant, who described himself as a “broken guy, got a few screws loose, I guess.” About 1 hour and 15 minutes after takeoff, Russell successfully executed a barrel roll before purposely crashing the aircraft on the sparsely populated Ketron Island in Puget Sound with the intent to commit suicide. There were no

injuries or fatalities in the surrounding area, except for Russell, who was the sole fatality.

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