

Pirates Of The Caribbean The Curse Of The Black Pearl -- Incident Summaries

Child Actor - Per Rep, animals removed from set deemed too chaotic & unsafe, but very young boy left in scene amidst screaming people, fires, gunfire, mortar explosion, fighting, etc. Very close to mortar blast, no ear protection; crew upset but no one intervened on his behalf.

Production Problem - Again, Rep refers to scene in which child left by parents, teacher, etc. to cry amidst chaotic scene (including mortar blast). Rep receiving complaints from every department of crew and is sure will get attention from media.

Helping a Trainer - Trainer used hotline pager to express need for AH Rep on set today as action had been changed to more intense yoked donkey. We were able to accomodate, and action accomplished safely.

Protecting an Animal - Local people have been bringing iguanas and birds to location, trying to sell to trainers. The animals have all been turned away, and the locals discouraged from continuing this practice. However, one seabird that was being mishandled, was kept by trainers and Rep and when the man left, they went out in a rowboat and released the bird into its natural habitat, to minimize any further stress.

Protecting an Animal - Trainers and Rep instructing local people on how to properly carry, hold, feed, water and "be nice" to their animals (including covering or providing shade between takes). This seems to be having a positive effect overall.

Protecting an Animal - When she found out that SFx was using Napalm, our Rep told trainers not to have animals nearby, milling around. They made sure goat was out of scene a full 6 seconds prior to explosion -- many extras in area between goat and explosion...mortar pots going off as well, but goat safe distance away. Few takes.

Death - Explosions being done on set (in ocean). Rep was on set for the explosions but no one thought they would result in disturbing the marine life, so no precautions were taken -- the result being that many smaller animals (fish, squid) washed up on shore over the next 4 days. Will note for future.
