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Following some poor performances in past years, this year's Super bowl ads scored relatively high in terms of their creativity and VFX.

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This year's Super Bowl ads serve up a wide range of digital effects, including an all-CG epic-style invasion, dogs that are the life of the party, a grateful beaver, a black beetle on the go, a car heist that's over the top, and TV icons

who show their team spirit. *Karen Moltenbrey*.

Cry Wolf.

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In its last performance, ImageMovers Digital creates an out-of-this-world CG experience, using its performance-capture technology for the animated feature film *Mars Needs Moms*.

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Recruitment.

Double Negative's talent manager offers some career advice for those seeking positions at D Neg as well other VFX facilities.

ON THE COVER

At first glance, the partnership of live-action director Gore Verbinski and legendary VFX studio ILM on an animated movie seems as out of place as, well, a Hawaiian shirt-clad chameleon in a western. But in the CG feature *Rango*, both pairings couldn't be more perfect. See pg. 10.