

***La La Land* (2016) Film Analysis (25 pts)**

DIRECTIONS: After you have completed watching the film, answer the following questions in complete sentences with details.

1. Did you enjoy the film, and why or why not? Was it what you expected?
2. What do Mia and Sebastian want from their lives in LA? What drives each of them to pursue their respective dreams? What does LA represent to them, and how do they experience the city?
3. How did you feel about the way the story ended? What emotions were you left with, and do you wish it had been a more conventionally happy ending? Why do you think the filmmakers chose to end it this way?
4. Discuss Damien Chazelle's filmmaking technique and mise-en-scene. Recall that mise-en-scene combine elements of color, costuming, blocking, and expressive camera movements to insert the audience into a creative realm. How did Damien Chazelle accomplish this?

5. Choose ONE scene that stood out to you. Discuss the mise-en-scene of your example, which could include the use of color, composition, lighting, camera work, sound, or blocking.

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