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**The Day After Tomorrow** is a 2004 American climate fiction-disaster film co-written, directed, and produced by Roland Emmerich. The film was made in Toronto and Montreal and is the highest-grossing Hollywood film to be made in Canada (if adjusted for inflation).



in this film Los Angeles was destroyed by tornadoes and New York City was destroyed and engulfed by a tidal wave and froze by the ice clouds.

On an expedition in Antarctica, paleoclimatologist Jack Hall and his colleagues Frank and Jason are drilling for ice-core samples on the Larsen Ice Shelf for the NOAA when the shelf breaks off.



Later, Jack presents his findings on global warming at a United Nations conference in New Delhi, but fails to convince diplomats or Vice President of the United States Raymond Becker.

However, Professor Terry Rapson of the Hedland Climate Research Centre in Scotland believes in Jack's theories.

Several buoys in the North Atlantic simultaneously show a massive drop in the ocean temperature, and Rapson concludes that melting polar ice has started to disrupt the North Atlantic current.

He contacts Jack, whose paleoclimatological weather model shows how climate changes caused the first Ice Age. His team, along with NASA's meteorologist Janet Tokada, builds a forecast model.



Across the world, violent weather causes mass destruction. U.S. President Blake authorizes the FAA to suspend all air traffic due to severe turbulence after learning several tornadoes are decimating downtown Los Angeles.

At the International Space Station (ISS) three astronauts see a huge storm system spanning the northern hemisphere, delaying their return home.

The situation worsens when the storm system develops into three massive hurricane-like super storms with eyes holding  $-150^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $-101^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) temperatures that freezes anything it comes in contact with. The three cells are located over Canada, Siberia, and Scotland.





President Blake orders the evacuation of the southern states of the United States, causing almost all of the refugees to head to Mexico.

Jack and his team set out for Manhattan to find his son. Their truck crashes into a block of ice, just past Philadelphia so the group continues on snowshoes.



Upon reaching Manhattan, Jack and Jason discover the library buried in snow, but find Sam's group alive. New York has turned into a polar, subarctic city, completely frozen over by reaching  $-98^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $-72^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).



They radio this to the government-in-exile in Mexico and President Becker orders helicopters flown into New York, finding thousands more survivors.

Becker orders search-and-rescue teams to look for other survivors as he gives his first address to the nation.



The movie concludes with the astronauts looking down at Earth from the Space Station, showing most of the northern hemisphere covered in ice and snow, with one of the astronauts stating "Look at that....Have you ever seen the air so clear?"





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