Newman gives a great performance in Hustler sequel

THE COLOR OF MONEY

Directed by Martin Scorsese.
Starring Paul Newman, Tom Cruise, and Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio.
At the Charles Cinema.

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Many people think that Paul Newman is over the hill. They argue that he should have retired years ago from movies and pursue one of his many other interests, such as automobile racing. If 1982's "The Verdict" was proof that Newman had not yet finished producing great performances, then "The Color of Money" goes one step further in demonstrating to Newman's critics that he is still a force to be reckoned with.


Vincent is the ultimate child of the 80's, cocksure and anxious to show off his talents. The first time Eddie catches sight of him, Vincent is playing like a wildman, bantering and killing time between matches with field hockey. But Eddie still keeps in touch with Vincent Lauria (Tom Cruise) strutting his nine-ball players, and one day he spies the pool scene, bankrolling promising youth. The first time Eddie catches sight of him, Vincent is playing like a wildman, bantering and killing time between matches with field hockey. But Eddie still keeps in touch with Vincent Lauria (Tom Cruise) strutting his nine-ball players, and one day he spies...