The Thing is an upcoming science-fiction horror film directed by Matthijs van Heijningen Jr., and written by Eric Heisserer and Ronald D. Moore. It stars Mary Elizabeth Winstead and Joel Edgerton. The film is a prequel to the 1982 John Carpenter film of the same name, taking place immediately prior, and leading into, the first film. It follows a team of Norwegian and American scientists who discover an alien buried deep in the ice of Antarctica, realizing too late that it is still alive and is consuming and imitating the team members. Taking place three days before the events of the John Carpenter film, paleontologist Kate Lloyd (Mary Elizabeth Winstead) joins a Norwegian scientific team that has stumbled across a crashed extraterrestrial spaceship buried in the ice of Antarctica. They discover a creature that seems to have died in the crash eons ago. When an experiment frees the alien from its frozen prison,

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