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Like a gay *La La Land*, this crowd-pleaser brings a popular novel series to life as two young men explore the complex lines between being friends, lovers, and strangers.

Based on Jay Bell's wildly popular young adult novel series of the same title, *Something Like Summer* steers two secret high school sweethearts on a tender, yet complicated course through early adulthood. Spanning about 12 years, the film features musical performances perfectly timed throughout the story of their optimistic, yet fractured, romance.

The movie begins with the awkward and openly gay Ben (Grant Davis) crushing on popular high school hottie Tim (Davi Santos). To Ben's surprise, closeted Tim reciprocates. Passion ensues until they break it off and attend separate colleges. Ben is eventually smitten by airline steward Jace (Ben Baur). The two move in together and share a cozy apartment, requisite cat and a good measure of perfect bliss.

Then, just when you expect a big-screen ballad to celebrate their love, Tim reappears. Now, out of the closet, he's sure of himself and of his longing for Ben. Can their lost love find its way back, and if so, where does that leave Jace? Find out why this capable cast has collected a cluster of awards.

Director: David Berry, USA, 115 Minutes

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