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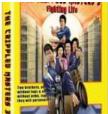
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# Crippled Masters 2 & 3

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Apprehensive Studios goes kung-fu with its latest two releases, "Two Crippled Heroes" and "Fighting Life", aka "The Crippled Masters" 2 and 3, respectively. One man with no legs and one with no arms! OK, really, it's a guy with atrophied legs and a guy with a couple of flippers (only one of which is really much use since it can be used to spin a fighting stick around – just watch and you'll see!). But that's not as catchy and it doesn't really affect the premise. Together, the legless and armless make a matchless martial arts fighting team. The legless guy even has a hidden surprise in his little roller platform he uses for locomotion - watch him pull the grips from it to reveal chains (or rope or something) so the handles can double has hooks on the end of chains (or rope or something)! Behold a monkey companion! Behold films that take both the buddy film genre and the kung-fu genre to strange new places. OK, not new, since these have been around for a while, but it's new to you if you've never experienced Asian fighting cinema this way before. Of the two, the second is notch above the third, but both are loads of fun - or at least morbid fascination. You don't even have to be a card-carrying kung-fu fan to enjoy them. Fans of the weird or exploitation in general can surely catch a laugh and maybe even a thrill from these two movies. The second film finds the duo teaming up to protect a blind girl (when they're not pissed at each other and engaged in the cripple fight to end all cripple fights!) while the third one lands them in the big city to hunt for jobs and do tricks on the sidewalk for money. Seriously. Don't worry, they fight, too. Anyhow, Apprehensive Studios has released each of these with awesome cover art from Jack Shen; also, each film comes with a bonus short film. Yay!

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