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Review: Evilution

2008 Black Gate Entertainment

An alien contagion is proven to be able to resurrect the dead, but with some very bad consequences. Captain Hall (Eric



Peter-Kaiser) escapes from a research facility with some of it and turns a spooky old apartment building into a den of death.

Overall I really like this film and the only real problems that I see with it have to do with some unanswered questions contained in the screenplay and some missing chemistry between two actors. Don't let that discourage you from watching Evilution, because both of these things don't take away from the overall feel of the movie.

Evilution is written by Brian Patrick O'Toole. It's a pretty cool premise for a film but I have a few small issues with the screenplay. First, I am left really wondering how Captain Hall escaped from the research facility in the first place since the entire place is bombed and nobody else survived. Maybe I shouldn't be looking too much into that but it has been bothering me an awful lot. Second, I have been wondering more and more about the origins of the alien contagion and perhaps it would have been cool to have heard more about it and from where it came exactly. Other than those two quibbles I really don't have any issues. The inclusion of the building's resident homies brings in some comic relief and the spooky and strange building manager (Nathan Bexton) adds an air of disquiet to the atmosphere .

Chris Conlee, the director, does a good job so I have no problems at all with his direction of the film. He uses a lot of close ups to focus in on the action rather than wide shots which isn't an issue since this film is very action based and oriented. The makeup effects in Evilution are very well done and I am very impressed by them! Kudos to Alex Noble for grossing me out several times, particularly with the very first scene. The gore used in this film really moves the story along since there are infected zombie like creatures tearing out throats and biting into chests. If the effects had been of a lesser quality then the believability factor wouldn't be so high while watching it.

The acting is pretty good, however I can't quite believe the love story that takes place between Hall (Eric Peter-Kaiser) and Maddy (Sandra Ramirez). There really is no chemistry between the two actors, which is a shame, so the whole romance subplot seems flat to me. The actors themselves are fine but they really do not click together. Some of the best acting comes from Tim Colceri who plays Sgt. Collins. He's very believable as a member of the military trying to stop Hall from spreading the contagion, and I enjoy watching him a lot. One of the homies, Killa B, is played by Guillermo Diaz who you may recognize from the series Weeds, among other things.

Evilution may have a few issues but Bloofer Lady enjoys watching it. It has a pretty cool storyline, good effects and

some believable acting. It comes out on DVD on Nov.17th.

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