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Hunter S. Thompson – Final 24: His Final Hours

Directed by William Hicklin (Canada, 2006) | MVD

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Look, I'll admit I am a Hunter tragic – hell I even bought *Hey Rube: Blood Sport*, the *Bush Doctrine*, and the *Downward Spiral of Dumbness* (and at full price!) but this documentary/biography is really scraping the barrel, even for me.

With one of those Jonathon Ross style plum-in-mouth narrators that haunt the Discovery/National Geographic world providing commentary, we are treated to Hunter's final 24 hours being re-enacted as the narrator second guesses a deadman's mind.

Interspersed with interviews with old friends, his ex-wife Sandy, his childhood sweetheart, some guys from Rolling Stone and even a shrink. Not HIS shrink, just A shrink. While the look back at his life does yield some nuggets, old photos and glimpses of his past, the irritating final hours sequences immediately destroy the mood.

And let's face it *Gonzo: The Life and Work of Dr. Hunter S. Thompson* is the doco to watch if you want to know about Hunter S Thompson, the man and the legend. This just left a bad taste in my mouth. But the tragic in me still has to say, those looks back, the photos, the childhood sweetheart, old friends talking, they almost make it worthwhile. But only almost.

Put it this way, if you bought *Hey Rube*, you'll probably buy this. If you're smarter than that, well I'm sure it will turn up on the discovery channel one night at 1 am. It would almost be worth staying up for. This release has no special features.

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Disc Details:

Running Time: 60 minutes
Aspect Ratio: 1.33:1
Region: All
No. Discs: 1

Special Features:

None

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