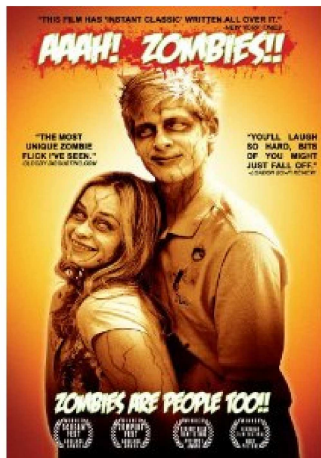


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## "Aaaah! Zombies!!"—and now for something different



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**Zombies are big show business now and the problem that many filmmakers have is that they cannot find a new angle to develop. Matthew Kohnen succeeded in doing just that with "Aaaah! Zombies!!". Here is a zombie film with heart and with the great byline, "Zombies are people too". Starring Matt Davis from "The Vampire Diaries", the film is told from the zombies' point of view and there are some wonderful lines here. This is a zombie comedy in which four twenty plus year olds go to a bowling alley which their friend Tim (Michael Terry) works and they die there after having eaten ice cream filled with toxic waste. When they wake up (I know you don't wake up from death but this is a movie), they are zombies. They meet up with**

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another zombie who informs them that they are now soldiers to help combat the infection plaguing their city. From this point on the movie really moves. Even the zombie characters are realistic and the movie pulls you in.

The key to the film, for me, at least, is that one knows he will have a bad day when zombies roam the streets looking for human nourishment. Here is the new spin on the zombie genre. Also since the movie takes place through the eyes and thoughts of the zombies we soon see that they do not see each other as we see them. In their minds they are normal and everyone else is a madman who thinks he has been infected by toxins. A clever approach used by Kohnen is that when we see things from the points of view of the humans, the film is in black and white while from the points of view of the zombies are in color. The amount of gore and blood is considerably less than other zombie flicks. It is overall a lot of fun to watch and may be the beginning of an entire new era of zombie films. Personally, I loved it.

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