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Almost every holiday has had it's plethora of proper themed holiday films. Thanksgiving on the other hand has been the least touched of the holidays which is strange due to the possibilities using pissed off Indians, blood thirsty pilgrims, crazed turkeys, of course the gluttony of extreme overeating. *Thankskilling* comes along to attempt to fill this fairly empty void that has been long unfulfilled as far as Thanksgiving themed horror goes.

The box art for this film warns that you will bear witness to boobs in the very first second, upon starting this film it delivers just that as you see a naked pilgrim in distress running in pure terror. The naked pilgrim is played by Wanda Lust who I can safely say is probably a porn actress from her involvement in films like *Bust a Nut* and *MILF Shakes*.

Once the first scene plays out it seems like the tone of this film is set, this is a bad movie that is trying as hard as possible to be a bad film. This would seem like a good idea but generally things never go well when people attempt to focus on making a film bad on purpose, the ones we remember are the classically awful films that strived to be good but were hilarious to mock.

While the first scene really did little to explain anything except be a mere vehicle for gratuitous nudity, the plot begins to rise as a dog pees on sacred ground marked by a super tiny totem pole that unleashes the evil murderous Turkie just at the right time as he has been bottled up for oh 505 years. At this point you have a little under one hour to follow along as Turkie goes on an insane rampage of killing specifically collage kids, using horrendous one-liners, wearing disguises that are almost an insult to any ones intelligence, and stuffing a female that almost pays homage to the Christmas film terror *Jack Frost*, which had an awkward sex scene with a snowman, and here Turkie takes more revenge by doing the actual stuffing in that sense.

There really is not much to write about as the film is just Turkie plucking collage kids off one by one, until you reach the final confrontation that is pretty anti climactic and just when you think Turkie is cooked he ends with a few glowing surprises.

Thankskilling is super low-budget, in fact they even write how cheap this movie was made for on the actual boxart, which is a cheap shot at itself and

shows the not genuine lack of confidence displayed in pushing this film. Some of the artistic direction that comes with this film being so low-budget can be a little annoying at times, as the gore obviously is incredibly weak at some points and the main creature Turkie seems nothing more than a rotten looking turkey hand puppet with a large set of feathers behind it. One of the other obnoxious things about Turkie is I can't help but be reminded of the x-men cartoon spoof about the Juggernaut, I am seriously wondering if these are the same people due to the way the Turkie character is handled voice wise.

For supplements, do not expect Thanksgiving sized extras as you just get a pretty weak Bloopers Reel that had a few decent moments and the usual basic commentary that is almost a standard with any movie release that is not a big budget re-issue set to screw you the consumer by giving you absolutely nothing, and then releasing the full deal in a year to spite you.

For taking a giant stab at a subject that has gone pretty much untouched, I think it was a decent film with a budget of \$3,500. It was a pretty crappy lore that surrounded the Turkie character that they thankfully condense down to just 66 minutes so there is very little dragging and a decent flow to the film. For Christmas and Halloween there are plenty of films to watch in the spirit of those Holidays, for *Thankskilling* it does not matter how much it sucks because they have this market cornered and until something better comes along this will be the one to pick if you want Thanksgiving inspired horror.

-Derek-

Directed by:
Jordan Downey

Written by:
Jordan Downey
Kevin Stewart

Cast:
Wanda Lust
Natasha Cordova
Lindsey Anderson
Lance Predmore
Aaron Ringhiser-Carlson
Ryan E. Francis
General Bastard
Chuck Lamb

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