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Indie Corner: There will be bud in the trailer for Bong of the Dead

Earlier this week we received an email from the independent Canadian filmmaker Thomas Newman to let us know about his \$5000 zombie feature **Bong of the Dead**, which has been getting some decent press as of late off the back of a successful screening at the Cannes Independent Film Festival.



The film has been described as "Cheech and Chong meets **Shaun of the Dead**", and sees two stoners - Jy Harris (**50/50**, **Superbabies: Baby Geniuses 2**) and Mark Wynn (**Fringe**, **Supernatural**) - survive a zombie apocalypse before discovering that zombie brains make a perfect fertilizer for a new strain of super-potent, fast-growing marijuana.

Having supplied make-up and visual effects on a number of film and television shows such as **Millennium**, **The X-Files**, **Lake Placid** and **Fantastic 4: Rise of the Silver Surfer**, Newman makes his directorial debut with **Bong of the Dead**, while he also serves as writer, producer, cinematographer, editor and composer. Also featuring in the cast are Simone Bailey (**Smallville**, **Stargate SG-1**) and Barry Nerling (**Tin Man**, **White Noise: The Light**), with make-up effects supplied by Mike Fields (**Scary Movie**, **Underworld: Evolution**, **X-Men: The Last Stand**, **Jennifer's Body**).

Judging by the trailer, it seems like they've really made the most out of the budget and the film looks like it could be fun. Take a look for yourself...

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