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## Hong Kong Confidential (2010/aka Amaya/MVD Visual DVD)

Picture: C+ Sound: D  
Extras: D Main Program: B+

In the beautiful modern day city of Hong Kong, 3 different people with 3 different lives meet, interact and are changed by the time they depart. Amaya (Kaori Momoi), who works at a massage parlor for decades, Paul (Andrius Mamontovas), a wealthy white haired foreigner touring and learning about the art of massage, and Jasmin (Monte Tung), a young beautiful girl in desperate need of money and a job. The all meet at the massage parlor, each one hiding their troubles, pain and worries, but through each other they find someone whom they can confide and share their thoughts and stories in Maris Martinsons' **Hong Kong Confidential** (2010).

Behind smiling faces, daily tasks and jobs, what is the story behind a person? Amaya has been working the same job, same routine for years and years for change, a vacation from repetition. She is joined by Jasmin, an unemployed girl in need of money but is tired of foreign men looking to her to have sex with. And Paul, a foreigner playboy who uses his time, effort and money to help Asian woman as his own personal self repentance for him cheating on his wife. All three feel jaded, angry, sad or just lonely, but somehow fate has brought them together they are able to come to terms with themselves and find acceptance.

This story is much like a toned down versions of the many true stories that come out of Asia, one of a tired elder Asian woman who tries to guide a young Asian girl, whom is ironically saved by very type of foreigners she come to despise, but then the foreigner in this story actually has problems self guilt. Is this the last chance for any or all of them to find themselves?

The picture is badly shot on a RED ONE HD camera and the sound is really substandard to the point that it hurt the overall presentation, though the playback image was not making things pleasant to begin with. Too bad,

because I was really enjoying this one otherwise. There are no extras.

- Ricky Chiang



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