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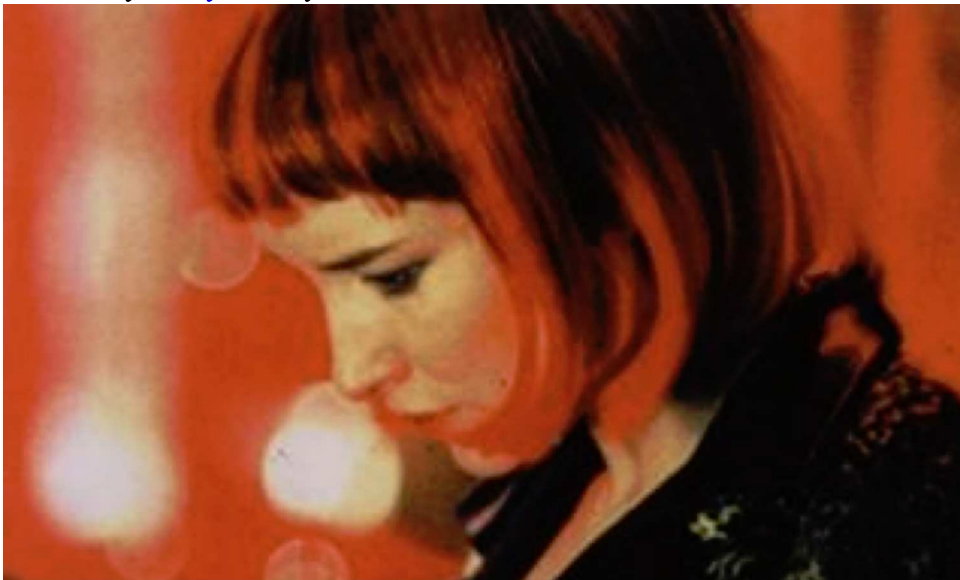
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## Silent Cry: Review

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**Silent Cry** is the unsung production by Julian Richards, director of **Summer Scars** and **The Last Horror Movie**. The film itself is a mixture of suspense and drama, a true crime thriller. Although circulation was mostly in Germany, it is soon to hit the shelves on August 20<sup>th</sup>, hopefully giving **Silent Cry** the notice it had originally intended for.

The plot tells the harrowing story of single mum Rachel (Emily Woof) who’s newborn dies shortly after giving birth. Unconvinced of the death, Rachel teams up with unlikely friend Daniel (Douglas Henshall). Their quest to find her son snowballs into a world of death and destruction as they attempt to overcome the relentless bad cop DS Dennis (Clive Russell). Richards states himself, the use of a tortured heroine allowed him to experiment with his inspiration from Hitchcock, as he delves the viewer into her nightmare of horror and suspense. There certainly is an air of desperation about Rachel’s search, particularly during the setting of the hazy red light district, almost making for a smutty scene of a crime novel.

Although the movie has a bit of a slow start, the pace certainly picks up, particularly as DS Dennis’s web that he creates becomes increasingly deadly. The climatic scenes, although a little hyperbolised, hold some cut-throat violence. To go along with this Woof’s performance as Emily is truly believable and you will find yourself routing for both her and Daniel along the way. One of the saving graces for the film is the acting, as Richards has managed here to haul an all-star cast. As well as including Clive Russell, there are roles from Craig Kelly (**Titanic**), Kevin Whately (**The English Patient**) and a hilariously husky performance from Steve Sweeney (**Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels**).

Upon its earlier release **Silent Cry** received some positive feedback from the critics, with Jay Slater from Darkside describing the film as, “A brutal thriller with Sucker-punch violence.” It’s certainly thrilling and certainly brutal; one to look out for with its cry far from being silent.



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