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## Film Reviews: Thankskilling 3 (2013) - By Duane L. Martin

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A film with a killer,

demonic turkey created by an ancient curse that runs around spewing one liners and killing people. What could be more awesome than that? Thankskilling is one of my all time favorite films. Not because it's a cinematic masterpiece, but because it's fun as hell. I mean seriously fun. Now we have Thankskilling 3, which the tagline says is the first movie to skip its own sequel (there wasn't a Thankskilling 2). Thankskilling 3 takes place after Thankskilling 2 has been deemed the worst film ever made and all of the existing copies are being destroyed. Turkey goes on a mission to find the last existing copy so he can use it to fulfill some insidious plan. Standing in his way are a few puppets, a big alien robot and a guy who just wanted to create a theme park called Thanksgivingland.

Ok, that's enough time spent on the synopsis. Let's get on to the movie itself. I think I can sum up my feelings about this film with one simple statement.

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I have never been more disappointed in any sequel to a film than I was with Thankskilling 3.

Yep, that pretty much sums it up. I was SO looking forward to this film. I was excited when I got notice that it was being released on DVD, and even more excited when I was able to get a copy to review. I absolutely loved the first film. It was brilliant, entertaining and really funny. Thankskilling 3 is the exact opposite of that. It's a boring, confusing mess of a film, that despite having a far higher budget than the first film thanks to a successful Kickstarter campaign, is completely lacking in any of the humor or entertainment value the first film gave us with a FAR smaller budget. So where did they go wrong?

First, all the puppets in the film. The original film had one puppet, which was Turkie. Turkie had to be a puppet for obvious reasons. This film has a whole bunch of different puppets that really have no reason to exist within the story, and generally just ruined the film. The most annoying of these was an old lady in a wheelchair who wanted to be a rapper. Having to listen to her was the equivalent of having your teeth drilled without novacaine. In fact, having your teeth drilled would be preferable. It was almost like they were trying to do something inspired by Peter Jackson's puppet filled Meet the Feebles, which was also a horrendously bad film. Unless the fun is there, films like this just don't work, and the fun is virtually non-existent in this film. That's not to say it's entirely absent. There are one or two moments that are somewhat entertaining, but that doesn't make up for the rest of it.

While the visual look of the film is a lot slicker than the first, with the addition of CGI effects and some intricate props and settings, without a coherent, fun story to fit into the improved look of the film, there's really no compelling reason to watch it.

Who would enjoy this film? People who haven't seen the original Thankskilling, because they won't have anything to compare it to. Who

knows though, even the absence of the first film might not make this one enjoyable for a lot of people. Who's going to hate it? Everyone who saw and loved the original, because they'll have the pure genius of the original to compare it to.

Unfortunately, I saw and loved the first one, so my feelings for this one are obvious. As much as I was looking forward to it, I just can't recommend this one at all. If you want to see anything, I highly recommend skipping this one and seeing the original film instead. Hell, everyone should see the original Thankskilling. It's absolutely hilarious. Thankskilling 3...not so much. In fact, not at all.

If you'd like to find out more about this film, you can check out its website at <http://www.thanskillingmovies.com>, and if you'd like to pick up a copy for yourself, you can get the DVD from Amazon here, or from any of the other usual outlets.

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