

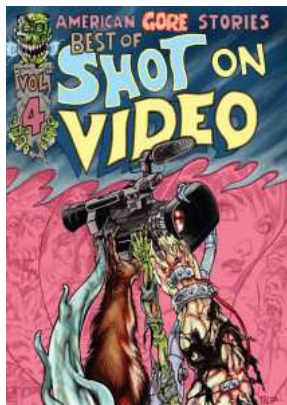
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4 unique & original terror tales: "The Vicious Sweet" – from Ron Bonk, a popular scream queen is abducted by her "biggest" fan. "Shatter Dead" – from Scooter McCrae, zombies have overrun the land of the living as one woman tries to make it home. "The Pact" – from Brad Sykes, a haunted house beckons a young woman. "Twisted Illusions" – from Tim Ritter, an anthology of sick & twisted terror tales.

The Vicious Sweet (1997)

Directed By: Ron Bonk
Starring: Theresa Constantine, Jeffrey Forsyth, Roseanne Fortino
Rated: UR/1:33

Popular scream queen Tyler Phenix had it all! A successful career, a nice house, a loving boyfriend named Charlie... and plenty of adoring fans! Her direct-to-video features were guaranteed hits each time out. And her exposure was extending well beyond the b-movie circuit – she was starting to raise the eyebrows of some of the major players in Hollywood as well! And then comes what should have been the greatest day of her life — a proposal of marriage from Charlie, and an offer to work with a critically renowned director. So why does she turn both offers down? Well, Tyler's greatest fan is asking the same thing. He wants her to be a big star... He wants all the world to love her like he does... In his eyes, she is making all the wrong decisions. And unfortunately for Tyler, he might know exactly why she is doing just that... Zombies and monsters from her movies, as well as the demons from her personal past, take physical form before her as she confronts the path her life has taken in a horrific psychological battle of the wills with her captor.

This one is a bit of a slow mover, but if you manage to sit there and watch what goes down for a bit you find yourself actually caring about what happens in the film. It is an interesting tale of a stalker fan that ends up being a bit of a fever dream where we can't tell what is real and what isn't. Theresa Constantine is the glue that holds this movie together as she does give it what life it does have in it. It

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takes skills to use a budget like this and make something that seems this watchable. As with all shot on video movies, this won't appeal to a lot of folks, but it isn't bad when you take all the elements of shot on video into consideration.



The Pact (2003)

Directed By: Brad Sykes

Starring: Tamela

Rated: UR/1:33

A young woman runs into trouble when she comes across a mirror. As she seeks help from her boyfriend soon they find themselves in more and more trouble with some unspeakable horror coming in their directions. Just what is going on? Can they figure things out before it all becomes too late for the both of them?

Well, this certainly a film that tries to do a lot with a little and turns in some moody performances from our leads. Maybe you could say it is a little too moody and you'd almost consider this a Gothic/emo affair at the end of the day. Regardless a mirror brings on zombies and all sorts of terror and the end results sadly aren't as good as we'd have hoped. There is some funny moments that nobody wanted to be funny. It was a nice try, but nothing holds together or holds up for the movie. I don't think many will be calling this one their favorite from the set.



Twisted Illusions (1985)

Directed By: Tim Ritter

Starring: Joel D. Wynkoop, Jerry Zel, Colleen Foley

Rated: UR/Widescreen

Seven short stories are present in this anthology movie inspired by CREEPSHOW and TWILIGHT ZONE. Anything from an ear of corn to a vacuum cleaner are taken from their normal use and turned into a twisted illusion! And don't forget our resident psycho, who makes even Norman Bates look sane!

Tim Ritter is a master of the shot on video format. His SOV horror anthology here, however, comes across like less of a low budget Creepshow and more like a SNL skit tape gone wrong. There is some comedic value in this film, but the horror never really seems to work. I also don't think it was wise to stretch the 1:33 natural video format to widescreen here either. Regardless, you can see the same tone that would make Truth or Dare and the sequel to this film good, but besides the early short of Truth or Dare there really isn't a whole here worth watching. It is still odd and good for a chuckle for what it's worth.



Shatter Dead (1994)

Directed By: Scooter McCrae

Starring: Stark Raven, Flora Fauna, Daniel 'Smalls' Johnson

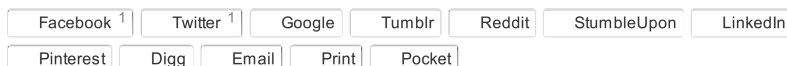
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When the Angel of Death impregnates a mortal woman, the dead stop dying. 17 months later, a bloody war has broken out between the living & the dead, driving many of the survivors from their broken world. Amid this fetid landscape of zombie massacres rises Susan (Stark Raven), a lone woman desperate to get back to her boyfriend and a life of some sanity. Scooter McCrae's bold new take on the zombie genre won the prestigious Best U.S. Independent Feature Award at the Italian FANTAFILM Festival, solidifying its status as a modern horror cult classic. Are you ready to feel the Final Wraith of God?

I got to hand it to the director here for making an off the wall concept here and not letting the fact it will be shot on video stop him from going ahead and making it. The film to its credit then proceeds to give us some weird visuals that seem even more eerie in the shot on video format. The film isn't great, but you can't help but respect what you see with all the zombies, angels, and other weird stuff that pops up along the way. The film delivers enough to get a pass, but the plot is probably what will stand out most once you watch it.



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