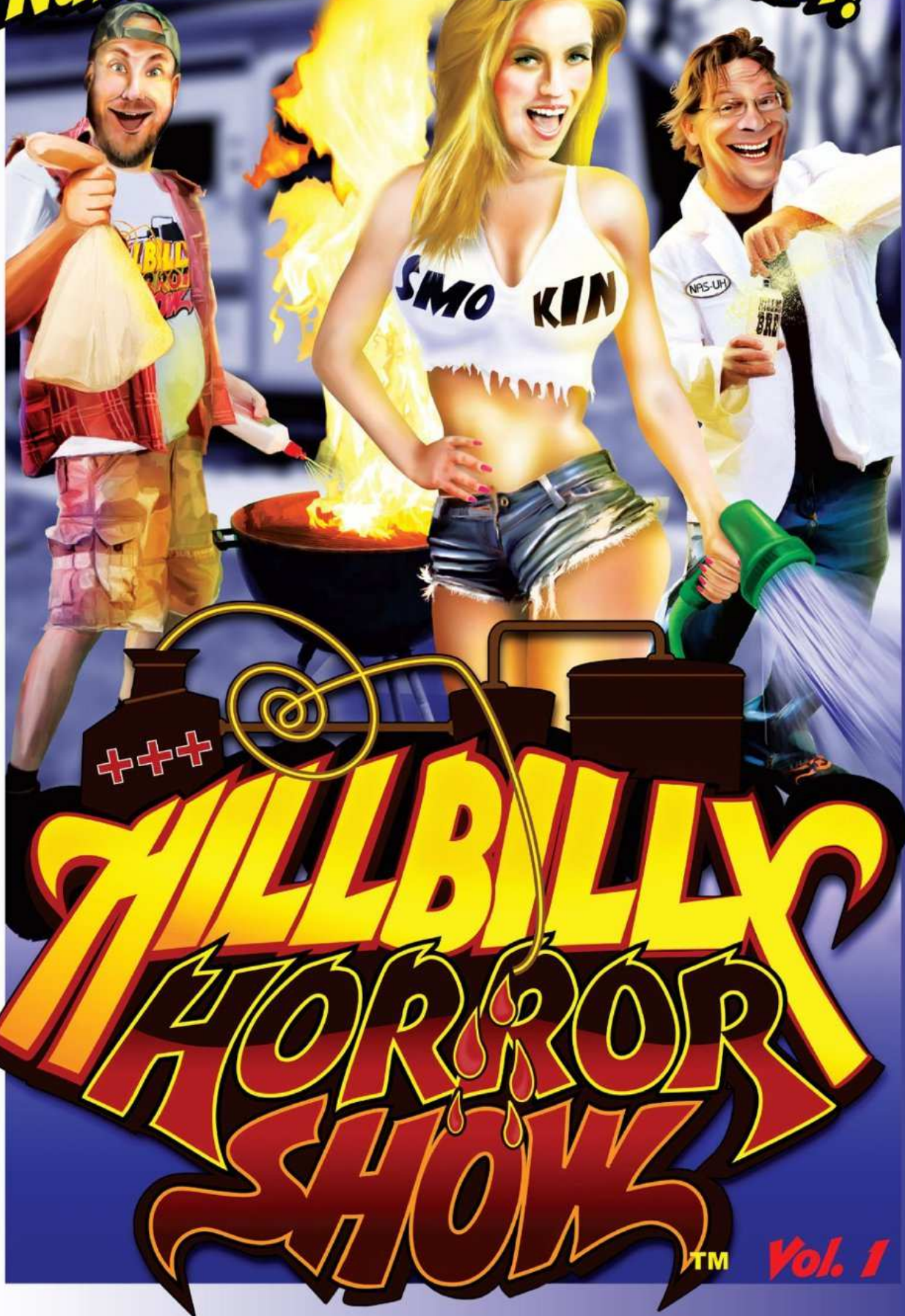


**"Nuttier than a Squirrel Fart!"**



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Review-I view independent shorts as the future of this industry. Fangoria magazine (when they were a horror magazine written by horror lovers) had the vision and balls to try the

waters in a series that was called Blood Drive. In the last few years Jabb Pictures not only had this vision but decided to try something insane and do ten shorts based on one topic by ten up-and-coming directors. Now we have the Hillbilly Horror Show. The premise of this show is we get two hillbillies named Bo and Cephus who along with their cousin Lulu give us some short films by up-and-coming directors. Our first short after some dialogue from the hillbillies is called Franky and the Ant. The story is about Franky who has been betrayed. The story is pretty simple yet effective and the closing five minutes which involves an open grave and maybe a few people going into it, was really fun enough to hold my attention. The acting was good, and the script had a little flair for wanting to throw a curve ball as to where the ending could be heading. It is worth seeing just for the fact that I feel all involved if this film got into more festivals would really make an impact. I know I am supposed to go short to short, but I want to skip to The Nest. The Nest was by far my favorite short and for this short alone I would say is well worth the price of admission. Now, that is taking nothing away from anything else on this disc but The Nest is that one short that I feel has to be seen immediately. This story revolves around a rancher who has over-sized pests that can eat flesh. It has a side story about a beekeeper who harvests the honey to keep her business going, but this short was amazing. This was every bit of cheesy camp that I was expecting and I wish this was a full length film. I was not a fan of Doppelganger which was reminiscent of Nightmare Before Christmas with the skeleton searching for another, it was stop action but I just did not get into it. Amused was fun enough with a weird twist ending and is another one to recommend. This one is about a woman who comes home and finds someone feasting on her daughter and the chase begins. This short was ok till the ending; the ending was unique with almost a role-reversal to make you go away with a smile on your face. All in all, I have watched two of the Hillbilly shows and they really seem to be focusing on some very good shorts. I loved the 3rd one because I felt the cast were more comfortable and really had a flow going, this time the hosts tried and some of the stuff was more miss than hit, but they have heart. This is one big in-joke and they are not afraid to let the viewer laugh at them. The shorts they present makes me think someone has their ear to the pulse of this community and knows what the film festivals are raving about. Beside the one short that failed the only other negative is that this dvd is bare-boned but then again it is less than 10.00. I really hope the plan is to release all of the episodes on dvd, because I am a fan of this show and what they are talking about.

8 out of 10

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