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### Banshee!!!

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**Theatrical Release Date:** uSA, 2008

**Director:** Colin Theys

**Writers:** John Doolan, Gregory C. Parker, Christian Pindar

**Cast:** Ashley Bates, David McCarthy, Kevin Shea, Kerry McGann, Iris McQuillan-Grace, Troy Walcott, A. Mike Forgette, Leo Petry, Greg Nutter, Ken LaMothe, Cristina Santiago, John Doolan, Nathan Pupillo, Jess Wakefield

**DVD released:** March 23rd, 2010

**Approximate running time:** 86 minutes

**Aspect Ratio:** 1.78:1 Anamorphic Widescreen

**Rating:** NR

**Sound:** Dolby Digital 5.1 English, Dolby Digital Stereo English

**Subtitles:** English, Spanish

**DVD Release:** [Synthetic Cinema](#)

**Region Coding:** Region 1 NTSC

**Retail Price:** \$14.95

**Synopsis:** After lying dormant for thirty years. A creature with the ability to deceive its prey from seeing it's true identity. Stalks and kills a group of friends camping in the woods.

The premise is all too familiar. The narrative structure is your typical by the numbers stalk and kill horror film. Even though the film does get a few points for trying to mix things up with its diverse group of characters. This plus is all but wiped out by the lack of depth in any the characters makes caring for them very hard. In fact the majority of the characters come off as very annoying. One has to wonder how all these characters that knew each other before this camping trip ever co-existed since there are many instances in which they don't appear to be as close as one would expect them to be.



Things do start off reasonable good with a flash back laying the ground work for what is yet to come. This flash back also gives a glimpse of the creature at the heart of this story. Once the film shifts back to the present things stay on track for the first two kills. These kills are gory and vicious, while the remaining kills often are underwhelming. After the first two kills things start to fall apart quickly and the film attempt at trying to mix humor in often comes up short. The cat and mouse game between the creature and its prey quickly becomes repetitive.

From a production stand point the film does a good job with its limited resources. Performance wise the cast are range from adequate to average. With no one performance standing out more than any other. When all is said and done, *Banshee!!!*, is a forgettable film that quickly becomes predictable.

#### The DVD:



*Banshee!!!*, is presented in an anamorphic widescreen that preserves the film's original aspect ratio. This transfer has been flagged for progressive playback. Details generally look crisp. Colors, flesh tones and black levels all fare well.

This release comes with two audio options, Dolby Digital 5.1 English and Dolby Digital Stereo English. There are two subtitle options English and Spanish. Both audio options are clear, balanced and robust throughout.

Extras for this release include a trailer for the film (2 minutes 4 seconds – anamorphic widescreen), bloopers (4 minutes 14 seconds – anamorphic widescreen), outtakes (12 minutes 26 seconds – anamorphic widescreen), deleted scenes (7 minutes 29 seconds – anamorphic widescreen) and a

trailer for *Assault of the Sasquatch* (1 minutes 46 seconds – anamorphic widescreen). The main extra included with this release is an audio commentary with producer Andrew Gernhard, screenwriter John Doolan, director Colin Theys and sound editor Colin Sullivan. Overall *Banshee!!!*, gets a fully loaded DVD release that is highlighted by the fun and at times interesting audio commentary track.

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