

BANSHEE !!! (DVD) - SYNTHETIC CINEMA INTERNATIONAL

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This 86-minute movie takes a stab at a myth and at times manages to add hilarity to it. The story is an 'updated' version of the legend which claims a woman or female spirit appears to foretell a death. Banshee !!! turns this woman into a Predator-esque type of creature who manipulates sound waves to not only induce hallucinations but to kill as well. The movie has a respectable number of gory scenes but some questionable acting and the plot itself do not help them. Julianna Bansley, the character played by Kerry McGann, is a particularly strange case of bad acting and bad dubbing. One is not entirely sure what the movie makers are up to and this is proven towards the end of the movie where the aforementioned hilarity crashes in. Rocker played by David McCarthy decides to show off his limited guitar skills outdoors to repel - much like a Mötley Crüe concert except it is against the creature instead of the crowd - the banshee! The scene is one to watch, never mind trying to explain it in the context of the plot.

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