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# Haunted Changi

Score: **88%**

Rating: **Not Rated**

Publisher: **MVD Entertainment Group**

Region: **1**

Media: **DVD/1**

Running Time: **81 Mins.**

Genre: **Horror/Foreign/Thriller**

Audio: **English Dolby Digital**

Subtitles: **English**

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## Features:

- World War II Archival Footage
- CrewBlog Archived
- First Three Chapters of the Book: "What Happened to the  
 Crew of **Haunted Changi**

*The Blair Witch Project* first proved that you could make a "documentary style" movie and have a hit. The *Paranormal Activity* movies have really popularized the concept lately and have increased American's fear of spirits and hauntings. Personally, I

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any of those scary nor did they even creep me out. I watched **Haunted Changi** during the day with plenty of daylight, though and it still gave me the shivers at times.



First, a bit of history about Changi. Apparently, Changi started out as a barracks for the British military way back in 1930, so it's a pretty old building. During World War II, many officers from both sides died or were killed in Changi and it is rumored that they also tortured prisoners of war there. After the war, it was turned into a public hospital, Changi Hospital, but many reported haunting many, in fact, that some would rather suffer than hospital there. They finally closed it in February of 1995 before this documentary, and it has been vacant since. In January 2010, a crew in Singapore started a documentary on Old Changi Hospital. Their original footage is shown in this movie. You can watch with subtitles, but you don't necessarily need to. The original footage is in English.

The crew consists of a camera man named Audi, a sound guy named Farid, a director named Andrew Lau, and a producer named Sheena. Sheena is the only female in the crew. They decide to make the movie and film everything they do. They have behind the scenes footage as well. The movie is a mix of interviews between interviewing people in the area of Changi, talking to other people about the movie, and finally, the footage inside the hospital. All the interviewees agree that everyone who goes into the hospital at night sees ghosts and some are even possessed, so you only go in at night. During the day, it is usually ok and you can find youths painting graffiti. One interviewee tells about the experiments and sending infected women into the hospital to infect the soldiers for retaliation.

The first footage of the hospital is during the day. The graffiti that they find appears to be devil worshipping, and pentagrams and such. The hospital is a huge complex with three wings and many areas. In one of the areas, there is a torture chamber with the chains still on the walls. During the day, things are mostly calm, other than a door closing by itself. After the first day to edit footage, including some shots that Andrew took later. The first really creepy thing is a shadow in the film, a headless shadow, but that's about it. Andrew remembers to tell them that as he was taking photos, he ran into a Chinese national woman who's been in Changi, actually living there for a "long time." This seems to conflict with the stories from the kids who say no one goes there at night, so the crew argues as to whether they should interview her. Of course, they'll have to find her and go in at night, they have a cleansing ritual performed for the history of Changi, I'm not sure that would even be worth a try. When you're going into a haunted place at midnight, I guess anything is better than nothing! They go in in the official "Ghost Hunters of Singapore," so they're legit. These guys are supposed to be using scientific methods to catch ghosts. Of course, they also send a kid in first to check since kids are more open to seeing ghosts and such. The kid has never seen anything before, but in Changi, he starts screaming. This should tell them all to stay away. The ghost hunters leave right away, but naturally the movie is going to stop no matter what. They get more footage, including night when Sheena freaks out. When they review the footage, it shows interesting things which makes Lau even more determined than ever to find out what is really going on in Changi. Sheena refuses to ever go back though and none of them are going to. Their descent into madness begins here and none of them will ever be the same again. Once Changi gets hold of you, it never lets go.

Special Features include the beginning of Sheena's book, which is quite interesting! I wish there was more to read. I hope maybe they'll make it into a full book because I'd read that. There is also WWII footage and the crewblog available. I like it.

special features keep with the theme of the movie and make it obvious if it's fake or not.

I have always been a fan of haunted houses, abandoned or just about any haunting movie. I find the t fascinating. While **Haunted Changi** doesn't have a h other than the actual haunting, there are things th together and make it interesting. It does feel a lot n American made haunting/ghost story than an Asian o

If you are a fan of *The Blair Witch* or *Paranormal Activ* these type movies, I recommend you check out **Haun** Home Sony Microsoft Windows Apple Media Archives

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