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### My Step-Dad's a Freakin' Vampire (2009)

It has a few cool moments..

#### My Step-Dad's a Freakin' Vampire (2009)

Directed By: David Matheny  
Where to get it: MVD



#### The Prologue

Don't you just hate it when your mom gets a new husband that turns out to be a vampire? Our protagonist in, **My Step-Dad's a Freakin' Vampire** sure does. and really who could blame him? I mean, I don't suppose it could get much worse.

Perhaps one day they could come up with a concept and have a whole string of these. Like, "My Step-Dad's a Damn Zombie" or even worse, "My Step-Dad's a Effin Republican". I can smell the money on those even now as I sit here typing. But let's worry about that stuff then and just deal with the poor kid with the vampire in the family now.

#### The Movie

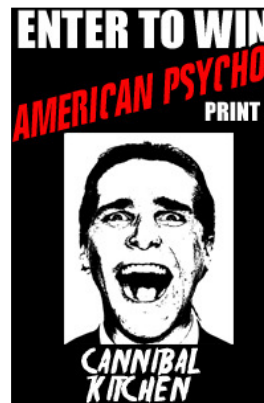
High school student, Rusty Funkouser, finds out his brand new step-dad is a vampire looking to raise some serious hell. And so the plot rolls along with the step-dad trying to raise his army of the dead and Rusty (along with a few friends) trying to stop him and save the world! It's very "Fright Night-ish" in spots, and I'm sure the younger horror fans (meaning teens) will get a much greater kick out of this than the older horror fans will. So, it's a little mixed but it does have some very good things about it.

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One thing I must bring up is the fact that I really REALLY didn't like the lead here. And I don't mean that in the way that means I didn't like his acting. It's a bit of a compliment to his work, because his character is a d-bag if I ever saw one, and he really comes across as just that in the film. While that is a nod of the hat to his acting, I would have liked this a lot better had the lead been a little nicer. Even when he goes from being bratty to becoming a bit of a hero he still never really becomes likable. His friends in the movie (while not as well acting in one case), do come across likeable in their own ways, so that at least helps.

Now while this movie does get kicked off in the typical way of an indie film, and does look like every other indie film you could find out there. The effects do pickup. There's some CGI, then we notice the use of what appears to be green screen, and then the effects go full on and give us some really gnarly looking ghouls and zombies. I do think that the movie get a lot better from that point, and it really is the highlight of the entire film. It's not a Michael Bay blockbuster, but it really does look great and it's fits the film's overall vibe perfectly. The film for some, may be hard to get into at fist, but once this part of the film gets kicked in full gear, I think you'll like it a lot more than you originally did.



So the film has a well enough plot, it avoids getting too corny, and it it even gives us some cool effects during the last part of the film. So I'd say it's a cool watch if you are bored. It's probably more suited for the teenagers, but even if you aren't a teen I think you'll like a lot of what the film has to offer before it ends. And I also salute this movie for giving us an ending that feels like a complete ending, and a suited ending for the flick at that. You just don't see stuff that feels like a complete story anymore. Most of what comes out today just works towards a sequel. So it's got some stuff that are a little wacky, but ultimately it does enough to hold your attention.

**The Conclusion**

Perfectly acceptable film making here. With some cool looking monsters as well. Could have used a more likeable character, and even a female to lead to work with our lead, but it's not by any means horrible or unwatchable. I do still stand by my statement that it seems to have a strange Fright Night vibe going, but instead of the neighbor being a vampire it's the kid's step-dad.

**The Rating (6/10)**



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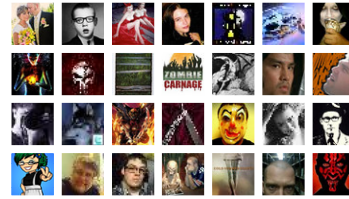
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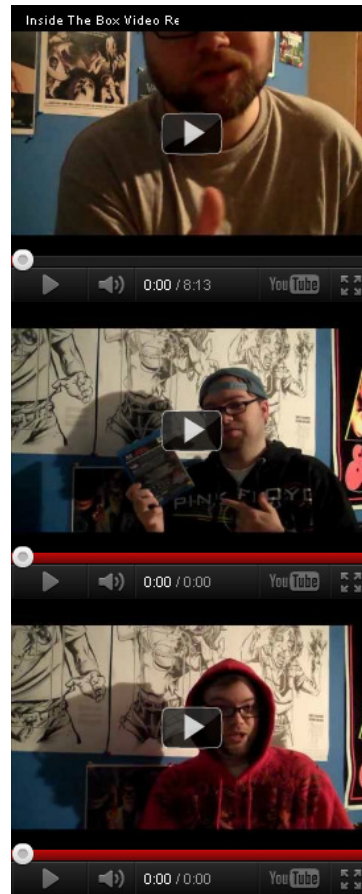
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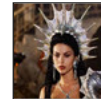
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[Emmy Award - television production award](#) - [image: Emmy Award] An Emmy Award called as the Emmy, is a "television productionaward", similar in nature to the Peabody Awards but more focused onenterta...  
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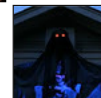
[LA REINA DE LOS HOMBRES PEZ - Sergio Martino \( The fishmen and their queen - 1995 \)](#) - En 1979 Sergio Martino dirigió La isla de los hombres peces, un entrañable, entretenido y simpático producto de aventuras, misterio y f...  
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 [The Deadly Doll's House of Horror Nonsense](#)



[Astoundingly Horrible Non-Horror! The Nutcracker In 3D](#) - It's rare that I find myself speechless about a film's complete lack of quality, because when you've seen both "Feeders" 1 AND 2, few aberrations of cine...  
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**Shit Movie Fest Recreates The Silent Night, Deadly Night Protests!** - [image: Photobucket]

So over the weekend, Friday night to be exact, The Colonial Theatre in Phoenixville, PA held

a screening of the holiday horror classic...

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### **From Midnight, With Love**



**Tucker and Dale vs. Evil** - (2010, Dir. by Eli Craig.) From the outside, \*Tucker and Dale vs. Evil\* is one of those projects that is conceived in sink or swim territory. I went into...

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### **The Large Association of Movie Blogs**



**PLUG: The Great Movie Project** - Hi, Fellow LAMBS, Just because my movie-a-day project is coming to an end, it doesn't mean I'm going to start slacking on my blog. I'm looking to

expand...

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### **The Ringmaster's Realm**



**Severance (2006)** - Last night after raising the aluminum tree and decorating it with vintage ornaments, it was time to relax and just chill out. Searching for something...

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### **Cavalcade of Perversions**

**It's an alien! It's a breach birth!** -

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### **Hayes Hudson's House of Horror**



**DVD Review: PSYCHO SLEEPOVER (2008)** - PSYCHO SLEEPOVER Directed by Adam Deyoe & Eric Gosselin Distributed by Troma Entertainment and CAV

Distribution Ahh...Troma Films, you gotta love '...

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### **Dollar Bin Horror**



**DBH Re-Visits: The Blair Witch Project** - In this edition of DBH re-visits, I decided to take a step back to re-watch a film that I have found many horror fans to be mixed about. Some of my

horror...

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### **The Horror Digest**



**The Scary Face Club: December Inductees (Old Lady Edition)** - I don't love the idea of themes but honestly this month, I was a little stumped when thinking of new members to induct into the Scary

Face Club! Suddenly...

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### **Hey! Look Behind You!**

**Film Wise #564** - Good Monday film lovers! It's a new week and a new Film Wise quiz! First let's start with the answers to last week's quiz \*HERE\* And now brace yourse...

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### **Skeleton Car Keys**

**So, the Truth is Everywhere...** - She is belligerent, screaming torment and mistreat at the past and who I think I were She wants to know





what gives and how come it all came down how did it...  
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#### **Maximum Horror**



**Children of the Corn (1984)** - Children of the Corn Director: Fritz Kiersch Children of the Corn is a low budget 80's horror classic that was directed by Fritz Kiersch and ...

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#### **Easy Recipes**

**Creamy Fregola Sarda Pudding w/ Saffron Vanilla Bean Syrup** - A warm dessert is one of my favorite things. A warm pudding? Definitely high on the list! Creamy and full of flavor, puddings can be a delicious comfort de...  
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#### **William Malmberg's Blog**



**Stephen King's Most Frightening Book: Guest Post** - "What's the most frightening book Stephen King has ever written?" "I posted this question a while back as a possible "Guest Post" topic, my

feeling being t...  
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#### **The Film Connoisseur**



**The Cell (2000)** - \* \* \*Title:\* The Cell (2000) \*Director:\* Tarsem Singh Dhandwar \*Cast:\* Jennifer Lopez, Vincent D'Onofrio, Vince Vaughn \*Review:\* \* My first experience...

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#### **The Horror Blog of a Dead Dreamer**

**Today in Strange - November 30, 2011** - On this day in 1954, Elizabeth Hodges of Sylacauga, Ala. was injured when an eight and a half pound meteorite crashed through the roof of her rented house,...

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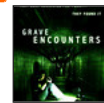
#### **Penny Dreadful Diary - Twisted Twins Productions**



**Shannon LeClerc, You Draw Fucking Pics!** - Shannon LeClerc is a wickedly talented 'wanna-be comic artist, animator and Horror fan' - and you know what, being avid, rabid comic book fans

ourselves ...  
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#### **The WAGON Helicopter**



**Grave Encounters (2011) This Would Make A Great Haunted House Attraction** - You know those haunted house attractions that pop up everywhere during the Halloween season? Some are hokey, many are extremely creative. Through my en...

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#### **Dark Bunny Tees**



**The gift of sartorial cool just got better.....** - From today until the 15th December (or while stocks last) all Nostalgia League tees will come packed in a custom, hand-numbered VHS Gift Box.

Just like th...  
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#### **Big Daddy Horror Reviews**

**Drive-In Massacre (2012) ....coming soon to a theater.** - When you go to the theater, don't you wish you could see a horror film that wasn't



released by a studio? Don't you wish there was more indie stuff playing...



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**Lounge of The Drunken Severed Head**



Encore post: "The Executioner" - From Marvel's WHERE MONSTERS DWELL #26, cover date January 1974. Originally appeared in UNCANNY TALES #9, cover date June 1953. Art by

Myron Fass. Click o...

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**Chuck Norris Ate My Baby**



Black Friday Chopping List - [image: Black Friday Chopping List]

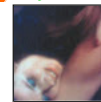
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**manvshorror**

Top 10 Horror Themed Wrestlers - When I was a kid, I used to LOVE wrestling. Wrestling in the 90s and the early 2000s was my favorite sport (I use that term loosely because even though th...

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**Billy Loves Stu**



BLUE VELVET - "David Lynch"'s masterpiece.\* Blue Velvet\* has finally received the treatment it deserves re-released on blu-ray this week. Besides seeing this darkly go...

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**The Horror Effect**

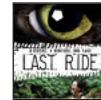


Apollo 18: What Could Have Been - \* A smart premise does not take advantage of its potential in Apollo 18. \* I'm definitely late to the game on this one. Though the trailers looked

mild...

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**Horror In The Making**



Last Ride Unleashed! - Who knew that a single take film with absolutely no editing could take so long to bring to an audience?! The time has finally arrived. Our single take feat...

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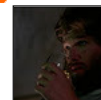


Going away this summer? - Island of Death (1977) - Holidays are a time to get away from the stresses and strains of real life and relax in a pretty sun soaked clime. \*Island of Death\* opens

with just such...

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**The Paradise of Horror**



Preserving the Thing - \*About a week or so ago I received an email by one of my Twitter buddies concerning The Thing prequel. Apparently the comment he wanted to leave on my re...

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**Gore Gore Dancer Movie Reviews**

Chillerama Release Date! - A moment that I've been waiting for has finally arrived! Chillerama will be coming home with us November 29th from Image entertainment! \$29.97 on blu-ray a...



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**Flowers of Flesh and Blood**

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**Kid Sis in Hollywood**



Bzzzline.com interviews Drew Daywalt and Marichelle Daywalt at BleedFest - Bzzzline.com comes through for BleedFest Film Festival Group filmmakers yet again with "this wonderful

article" on BleedFest Award Winners Drew Daywalt (Ap...  
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**Dai Green - Raw And Uncensored!**

Just a few more loose ends tied and some insight into my working mind. - Well, here we are at my second post of this blog and I have no real idea of what to write about. Honestly, I don't know where to start with explaining thin...  
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**The Kid in the Hall**



Music from the Great White North: My Top 20 Canadian Songs - As most of you know, I did a post a few weeks ago about my favorite songs from Australia and New Zealand. Well, this time

I thought I would pick out some...  
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**Dr. Splatter's Gory Laboratory of Monsters and Metal!**



RIP Jani Lane - Hey ghoulies, Admittedly, I was never the biggest fan of the 80's glam metal band, Warrant. I really didn't think there was anything special about th...

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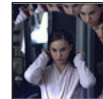
T-Shirt Bordello Review - Hey guys! Long time no see, eh? I've got a really awesome review for you guys. Ever heard of T-Shirt Bordello? They're a tshirt company. Not just any t-shi...

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The Vault of Horror Presents the 2010 Cyber Horror Awards - Ray Harryhausen Award Best Visual Effects Black Swan This powerful film was rendered even more powerful by the striking visual

effects work of NY/LA company...  
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Vince N Stilts: Hollywood Publicist Controversy - Lately, I've been helping my roommate Vince Cusimano learn how to walk in stilts. On our walks we talk about different things and this time it was about th...  
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 DIANE O'BANNON APPROVES OF TEA PARTY OF THE DEAD - This is incredible. Special thanks to Kristy Jett for pointing it out to me.  
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 Jinx Speaketh - One of (if not the) most evilly influential women in music is now on Blogspot! Jinx Dawson, "irreverent, erotic, fiendish Left Hand Path Ceremonial Magi...  
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**Jenny Spain**  
"Deadgirl, the Next Mandy Lane" - From Bloody Discusting.com http://www.bloody-discusting.com/news/13335 Said to be this year's MANDY LANE, we've got your first ever still from Marcel Sarm...  
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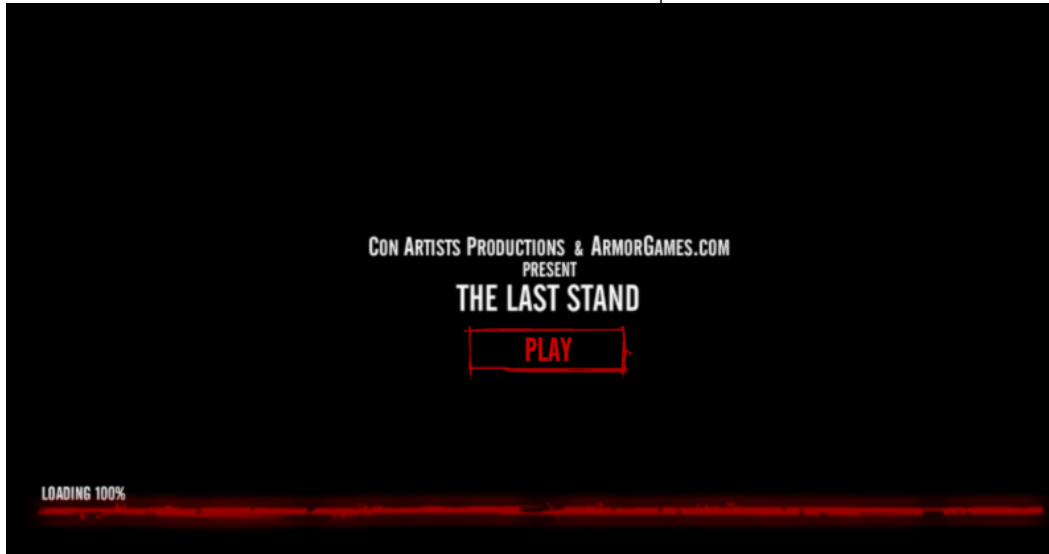
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