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DVD Review – Chris Ranson on *Scream Park* (2012)



(<https://psymind.files.wordpress.com/2014/07/scream-park.jpg>) The horror genre has really changed in my thirty years of viewership. The current trend seems to be possession films, but I'll be honest, the '80s slashers were always my favorite. I'm really digging the current revival we are getting, and the throwback films are a lot of fun. *Scream Park* is the latest film to fall into that category.

Fright Land is an amusement park run by Mr. Hyde (played by *Hellraiser* himself, Doug Bradley). It's not turning much of a profit these days, and the young teens that work there couldn't care less. When told that the park will be closing down, the kids decide to have a little party. Too bad for them a couple of guys in masks decide it's the perfect time to go on a killing spree.

Scream Park seems like a great idea: a killer wearing a burlap sack on his head, offing horny teens in an amusement park. What could go wrong? Well, the acting is rough all around at times. The two “heroes” offer a little bit of talent, but a lot of the time they just look puzzled, as if they have no idea how to go about making a scene work. Thankfully, most of the cast gets little screen time and die without making a sound. Seriously, these girls are being chased, cornered, dragged and dry humped, and they never utter a sound. If you’re excited that Doug Bradley is in this, don’t be. It’s a five-minute cameo that opens the third act of the film. This was a big let down for me.

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