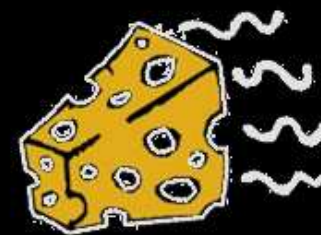


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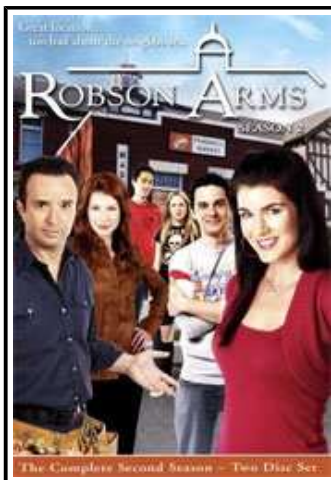
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This 2-DVD set contains all 13 episodes of the second season of Robson Arms. Welcome back to the once-grand low-rise apartment building in Vancouver's West End. Season 2 picks up 6 months after Season 1 left off. The previous owners of the building are dead, earthquake repairs are still underway, and a "For Sale" sign sits front and center outside. As with any apartment building, some tenants have moved on, and others have moved in. New and old alike, the tenants of Robson Arms are real people with flaws, aspirations and crazy dreams. Taking you behind a different apartment door each week, Robson Arms maintains the unique blend of humor and poignancy that made the first season such a hit. You will never see your neighbors in the same way again!

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There are the "regulars" whom the viewers get to know in each episode, but the true strength of this show is the myriad of guest stars who drop in for appearances and, typically, the opportunity to break out from any typecasting they might suffer from and spread their acting wings. Perfect example: Leslie Nielsen as the thoroughly unlikeable handicapped former hockey player... utterly miserable character, and a fantastic performance by Mr. Naked Gun himself.

The entire second season is only 13 episodes, so they fly by pretty quickly, but it's another solid season for this solid show and I'm already looking forward to my next season fix of Canadiana.

Video

Nice, sharp 16x9 anamorphic widescreen transfers for the entire second season here.

Audio

A nice, clean Dolby surround mix is included for every episode.

Extras

- behind the scenes documentary
- bloopers
- deleted scenes
- webisodes
- teasers & trailers

Closing Thoughts

Intelligent, engaging ensemble drama + solid assortment of extras = well worth checking out for a taste of some original television programming

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