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Robson Arms – The Complete Second Season (Music Video Distributors/Video Services Corporation DVD)

Picture: C+ Sound: C+ Extras: C+ Episodes: C+

Canada once again hands down a dark comedy to the USA that is interesting, yet simultaneously bland. The dark comedy this time centers on the tormented lives of a group of individuals living in an apartment building in Vancouver called **Robson Arms** (go figure). The show is easy to jump into because each episode focuses on a new and different wacky tenant. This series is the definition of situational comedy; in fact the series is so formulaic that it is predictable. Whereas the series features a reoccurring cast in the series, each progressive episode brings something new and different. This reviewer was not particularly engaged in the series, finding it mostly forgettable.

Besides the reoccurring cast, guest stars also appear this season like the classic Leslie Nielsen and hilarious Patrick McKenna (**The Red Green Show**), reviewed elsewhere on this site.) The series features every type of troubled person imaginable. There are sex addicts, paralyzed ex-hockey players, the extremely awkward, and the ambiguously gay. Robson Arms was fun to watch, but ultimately did not have that 'spark' that this reviewer would call memorable. The series is worth a watch and some may find it more entertaining than this reviewer personally did, but ultimately was a sad miss.

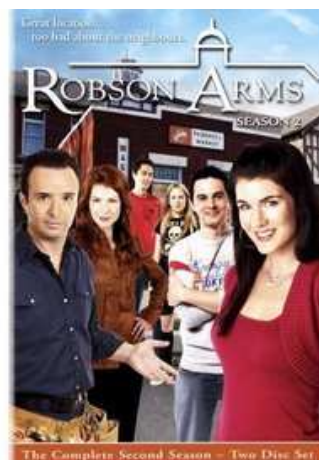
The picture, sound, and extras on this set are adequate but nothing special. The picture presentation for this **Second Season** release has been changed to a 1.33 X 1 Full Screen with a solid high definition filming that gives off bright colors, but in the end still has a washed quality that makes the picture seem overly soft. The sound is once again presented in a 2.0 Dolby Digital Stereo that is adequate for the series, but since it lacks surrounds it is nothing special. The extras include a *Season Two Trailer*, a boring Behind the Scenes Documentary, Bloopers, Deleted Scenes, Webisodes, and *Troubadour Teasers*. Each of the extras is slightly entertaining, but nothing to write home about. After viewing the 13 episodes of Season Two it was nice to see the cast in the bloopers, but other than that this reviewer was not impressed.

An earthquake shook up the tenants at the end of Season One, but what will it take to shake this series up?

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- Michael P Dougherty II



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