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GothKill Written by: <u>Michael Den Boer</u> on June 14th, 2009



Theatrical Release Date: USA, 2008 Director: JJ Connelly Writer: JJ Connelly Cast: Anastacia Andino, Eve Blackwater, Juliya Chernetsky, Michael Day, Frank Dudley, Flambeaux, Erica Giovinazzo, Vlad Marco, Julie Saad, Sky Claudette Soto, Tom Velez

DVD released: May 26th, 2009 Approximate running time: 70 minutes Aspect Ratio: 1.85:1 Letterboxed Widescreen Rating: NR Sound: Dolby Digital Stereo English Subtitles: N/A DVD Release: <u>Wild Eye</u> Region Coding: Region 0 NTSC Retail Price: \$19.99



Synopsis: After being excommunicated, a catholic priest makes an unholy deal who in return promises his own kingdom in hell.

The plot for *GothKill* is a fast moving story that quickly reveals the motives of its main character a Catholic priest named Nicholas Dread. The film's limited resources (lack of budget and a cast of amateur performers), are two of the more glaring flaws of this production that fails to live up to its lofty aspirations. For a horror themed film nudity and bloodshed are not as exploited as much they could have been. Despite the lackluster performances from the entire cast, Flambeaux's over the top take on the Nicholas Dread is the most interesting asset this film has. Ultimately *GothKill* is chore to get through even though the film is only a mere seventy minutes in length.

The DVD:

GothKill is presented in a letterboxed widescreen. This transfer has not been flagged for progressive playback. This transfer looks soft, there is noticeable edge enhancement, colors and black levels fluctuate throughout.

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This release comes with one audio option a Dolby Digital stereo mix in English. The audio fares better then the image for this DVD release as dialog is generally clear and the film's score stands out the most in this audio mix.

Extras for this release include two trailers for *GothKill*, a gallery with six lobby cards and an extensive image gallery titled "*GothKill* images" that is broken down into four separate sections. Other extras include a brief segment titled "*GothKill Live*", which includes clips from various live showing of the film and a seven and ½ minute Q&A with writer / director JJ Connelly. The main extra included with this release is a video commentary with JJ Connelly and two cast members from the film, Flambeaux and Eve Blackwater. Throughout the bulk of this extra the three participants comment on what they are watching with a few



interesting tidbits about the film slipping through the cracks. Also included with this release are trailers for other films also available on DVD from Wild Eye. Overall *GothKill* gets an adequate release from Wild Eye.

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