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Sooner or later one of two things will happen: 1.) There will be some quality film made that isn't a date movie for 14 year olds. 2.) I move some place where there is an actual intellectual climate of some sort. Until then, I pick stuff that the library system stocks itsselves with. No, I didn't pay for the rental of Hellboy soit's just my time thaty's involved and nothing else. My first contact with Hellboy was at the Bill Gates MemorialResearch Room at the local library. In there my neighbor hadsomething called 'Hellboy" on his screen. I thought, "Oh brother." These months later the picture has been released, the dvdfor sale and one of the small town libraries on interloanbought it. Was it worth the wait that normally occurs on requests forinterlibrary materials? Sure. Free is free. The plot line of this is tretched to the limit of credibilitybut once you get past that you have to deal with the characters.Then the action sequences were okay as such things go. finallythe romance. I like what the creators and Ron Perlman did with the tragi-comic hero of Hellboy seeking a girlfriend. This briefly reminded me of a picture by Hal Hartley (I think)called "No Such Thing (As Monsters)." For all the Beauty and the Beast characters that Ron Perlmanhas played, this is easily the best. As to story, credibility,effects, yada yada, those reviews can be found elsewhere. HereI'll only say that I liked the way film concluded.

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