Subject: Griffin & Phoenix

Posted by Wayne Parham on Sun, 30 May 2010 18:32:24 GMT

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Melissa and I watched this movie last night and I really enjoyed. OK, guys, this one is probably a chick-flick so but no fair ribbing on me. It's worth seeing. I don't want to give away any spoilers, so I can't say much but I will say it's more than your basic boy meets girl falls in love yada yada yada. This one has teeth, I mean, it's a really emotionally charged story.

After watching this movie, we went and looked up some details about it. It's actually a remake of an earlier film. This one has Amanda Peet and Dermot Mulroney. Both were excellent. In fact, I think Amanda Peet is better in this film than anything else she's done. Normally she's quirky and fun - I like her like that and all, but she doesn't have to really display any depth of character in her normal roles. This one she's entirely different, deep, caring and warm. Not a whole lot quirky, more just sweet but with an edge that you'll understand when you see the movie.

The original movie has Peter Falk and Jill Clayburn. When I discovered that, my first reaction was Jill Clayburn would be perfect in that role but I couldn't see Peter Falk in it at all. Of course, I was thinking of casting "Columbo" in the part, not Peter Falk. I've only seen Falk as Columbo and in a few other 1960's movies. In those, he was kind of typecast, seems like. But from what I've read, in this movie, he really does a great job. I'm eager to see the original movie now.

Subject: Re: Griffin & Phoenix

Posted by Lyrica on Sun, 30 May 2010 22:43:54 GMT

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I love it when someone finds a hidden gem. I've never even heard of this film, but I've always had an affinity for Dermot Mulroney, I'll add it to my list.

Subject: Re: Griffin & Phoenix

Posted by TLC123 on Wed, 02 Jun 2010 02:30:18 GMT

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I'll have to add this to my list as well. Funny how the picture on the old video box looks it's age.

I'm curious how different the 2 movies are.

Subject: Re: Griffin & Phoenix

Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 02 Jun 2010 03:23:15 GMT

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From what I understand, the two movies have the same story line and the same characters, just played by different actors. I'm anxious to get a copy of the original to see.