
Subject: Bubba Ho Tep

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Tue, 22 Feb 2005 23:24:39 GMT

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Lon; Tried it but could not get past the first 45min. Am I missing something? Reminded me of that Movie where the guys are stuck in the bar after closing time and the patrons all turn into Vampires. With Steve Buscemi. Speaking of Steve I saw Coffee and Cigarettes. Are you a Jarmusch fan by any chance? Wait till you see Roberto Benigni sitting with Steven Wright. I love that guy Roberto.

Subject: Re: Bubba Ho Tep

Posted by [lon](#) on Wed, 23 Feb 2005 04:55:56 GMT

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Sorry our tastes didn't mesh. 45 minutes-- well that's _half_. Maybe I just like Bruce Campbell or anyone as Elvis and Ossie Davisas JFK. It was more a One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest for me than any vamp rip-off. I liked the Egyptian hieroglyphicgrafitti-- Bill Epstein would appreciate that I betcha---it's his sort of sense of humor.Especially after those posts about Sandra Dee. After all,Bubba is bemoaning the fact that a nice young thing doesn'teven care if he's in the room while she's adjusting herdress or what ever it was. Bubba says, "I might as well bea housecat." I kinda feel that way myself most days.I cannot mount a big defense for the film. It was recommended to me by the staff at the store-- one of the "film buffs" if you know what I mean-- someone who's prob'ly seen Casablanca abunch of times unlike me who bailed at about that same 45minute mark. There haven't been any at all picks to click and I rememberedwhat you all said about "I Heart Huckabees." I will avoid thatlike the plague. With my new dvd player I am catching up on commercial-freestar trek episodes and old plays. The ones I picked upat the library are Jacques Brel Is Alive And Well andthe "Antigone" by Jean Annouille. Also got the gy-reen showcalled "Basic" with Travolta and Jackson. I'm not ready formuch heavy duty drama so I'll put that in first.

Subject: Re: Bubba Ho Tep

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 23 Feb 2005 12:42:53 GMT

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So; what do you think about Jarmusch?

Subject: Re: Bubba Ho Tep -> Mystery Train

Posted by [lon](#) on Wed, 23 Feb 2005 19:04:39 GMT

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His stuff is real uneven and slow. Ghost Dog was his best thing easily. And casting Screamin' Jay Hawkins in Mystery Train was a real coup. But I don't, you know, think about Jarmusch _a lot_. I consider him one of the cute or "hip" directors that the cognoscenti treat like Andy Warhol. Warhol of the "Art is anything you can get away with" school of creativity.

Subject: Re: Bubba Ho Tep -> Mystery Train

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 23 Feb 2005 21:24:53 GMT

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Well; I think Down By Law is one of the best; In fact it is one of the few movies I own. And Stranger Than Paradise also, great stuff. It's true there are no special effects; but that's not my thing. Never thought of him as hip; though.

Subject: Re: Bubba Ho Tep -> Mystery Train

Posted by [lon](#) on Thu, 24 Feb 2005 03:00:26 GMT

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Down By Law. This is a new title for me. I've heard of Stranger Than Paradise, but never ran across it. I've seen A Night On Earth which was ballyhooed at the time, but thought it was pretty weak. How about Cassavettes? There is a documentary biography I managed to see called "I'm Almost Not Crazy".

Subject: Re: Bubba Ho Tep -> Mystery Train

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Thu, 24 Feb 2005 09:11:09 GMT

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I think Down By Law was his first, and best (except for Ghost Dog; or Dead Man). I am a fan of Cassavettes. I wonder if that Doc is currently available?

Subject: Re: Bubba Ho Tep -> Mystery Train -> I'm Almost Not Crazy

Posted by [lon](#) on Fri, 25 Feb 2005 16:50:19 GMT

Like my link says, it's hard to find. But there is a reference there to a new Cassavettes biography called "Cassavettes on Cassavettes" which might be of some help. Also check the torrents. There is active movement to get documentaries and other content digitally archived. It's likely only ever been transferred to vhs and hidden in remainder shelves of vid stores and possibly library archives. I just checked my interlibrary loan which goes through all of Wisconsin. No luck. But torrents may turn up something if a request is made. It's been an interesting hunt. A good intro site to torrents and new media is called: <http://www.afterdawn.com>
I'm Almost Not Crazy

Subject: Re: Bubba Ho Tep -> Mystery Train -> I'm Almost Not Crazy
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Fri, 25 Feb 2005 21:20:26 GMT
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Thanks; soon as I finish the pre-amp I get on it. Watched Bamboozled and realised I saw it before. Lots of thoughts on hold for now.
