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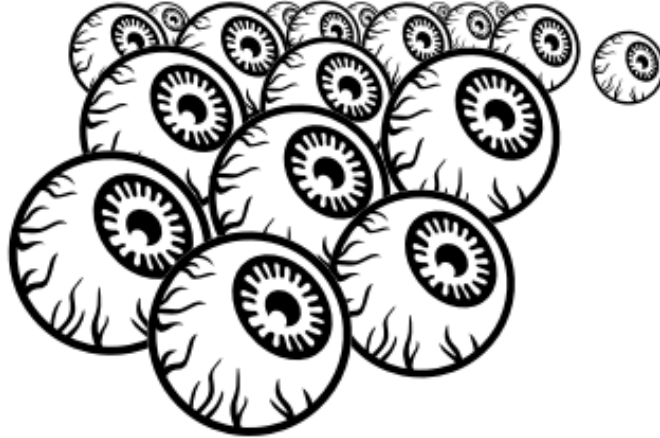
WHAT THE FEST!?! | Festival Wrap Report



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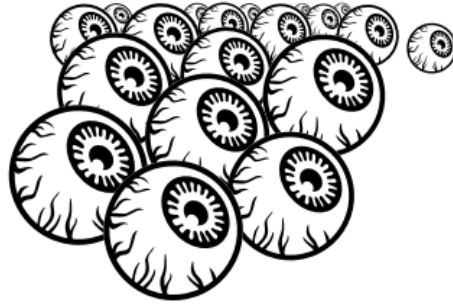
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I. PULL QUOTES



"Devoted to the weird and wonderful"

TIME OUT NEW YORK

"[A] few steps away from the mainstream path"

NEWSDAY

"NYFF. NDNF. Tribeca. NYICFF. NYAFF. NewFest. DOC NYC. New York City has no shortage of film festivals. Why, exactly, do we need another? Well, that's simple: because none of those fests are quite WTF enough. 'What the Fest!?', that is."

FILM JOURNAL INTERNATIONAL

"New Yorkers, there's a new genre fest in town"

RUE MORGUE

"Impressive slate"

BLOODY DISGUSTING

"Eclectic"

"Strong femme-centric program"

DREAD CENTRAL

"New York City has a brand-new film festival with a rather unique angle"

SCREEN ANARCHY

"I'm pretty blown away with the quality lineup of that What the Fest!? is offering this year."

"If you're a genre buff like me, I would highly recommend picking up some tickets before they sell out."

FILM PULSE

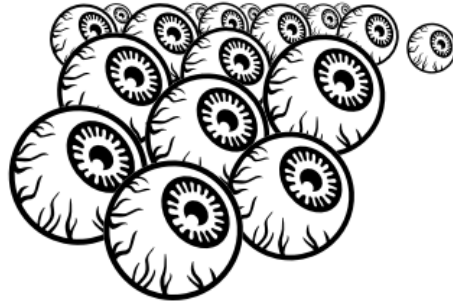
"What the Fest?! has an amazing and diverse lineup"

POP HORROR

"If you're in NYC and need something fun to do this weekend, check out What the Fest!? at IFC Center."

WOMAN IN REVOLT

II. EDITORIAL BREAKS



TIME OUT NEW YORK - March 28, 2018

"Special Screenings" by Joshua Rothkopf

<https://www.timeout.com/newyork/movies/the-best-movie-events-in-new-york-this-week>

WHAT THE FEST!? is featured; also appeared in print.

AM NEW YORK - March 28, 2018

"NYC Weekend Picks: Our Best Bets" by Staff

<https://www.amny.com/things-to-do/nyc-weekend-picks-our-best-bets-1.7225626>

WHAT THE FEST!? is included; also appeared in print.

AM NEW YORK - March 26, 2018

"Festivals in NYC: From Music to Beer, There's a Festival for You" by Staff

<https://www.amny.com/things-to-do/festivals-in-nyc-offering-up-music-shopping-food-and-more-1.13332700>

WHAT THE FEST!? is featured.

NEWSDAY - March 27, 2018

"NYC Weekend Picks" by Rafer Guzman

<https://www.newsday.com/travel/nyc-weekend-picks-our-best-bets-for-what-to-do-in-the-city-1.6813771>

What the Fest!? is featured; also appeared in print.

FILM JOURNAL INTERNATIONAL - March 29, 2018

"WTF in NYC: What the Fest!?! Carves a Brilliant, Bloody Niche in the New York City Film Festival Landscape" by Rebecca Pahle

<http://www.filmjournal.com/wtf-nyc-what-fest-carves-brilliant-bloody-niche-new-york-city-film-festival-landscape>

NIGHTMARISH CONJURINGS - April 23, 2018

"Interview: Director Frank Henenlotter" by Abigail Braman

<http://www.nightmarishconjurings.com/interviews/2018/4/23/interview-director-frank-henenlotter>

The WHAT THE FEST!? Audience Award is discussed.

WOMAN IN REVOLT - March 30, 2018

"Interview with Maria Reinup, Creative Director of What the Fest!?" by Lindsay Pugh

<https://www.womaninrevolt.com/interview-with-maria-reinup-creative-director-what-the-fest/>

FILM SCHOOL REJECTS - March 29, 2018

"In NYC This Weekend? The IFC Center Invites You to Join the Fun of WHAT THE FEST!?! 2018" by Rob Hunter

<https://filmschoolrejects.com/what-the-fest-2018-film-lineup/>

SCREEN SLATE - March 31, 2018 *

"Blue My Mind" by Dana Reinos

<http://www.screenslate.com/features/769>

* Note this piece was also quoted in Criterion's "Daily Goings On" roundup:

<https://www.criterion.com/current/posts/5514-the-daily-goings-on-action-figures-and-more>

THE SKINT - March 29, 2018

"Thurs, 3/29: Burnt Sugar Bowie, Evil Plastic, Film Fests, + 11 Fri Events" by Staff

<https://theskint.com/thurs-3-29-burnt-sugar-bowie-evil-plastic-film-fests-11-fri-events/>

WHAT THE FEST!?! is included.

BLOODY DISGUSTING - March 29, 2018

"Fresh Shots From Coming-of-Age Body-Horror 'Blue My Mind'" by Brad Miska

<http://bloody-disgusting.com/movie/3491041/fresh-shots-coming-age-body-horror-blue-mind/>

WHAT THE FEST!?! is promoted.

BLOODY DISGUSTING - March 7, 2018

"IFC Center Launches What the Fest!?! In New York!" by Brad Miska

<http://bloody-disgusting.com/movie/3487235/ifc-center-launches-fest-new-york/>

DREAD CENTRAL - March 27, 2018

"WTF?! NYC Births Another Genre Film Fest" by Tony Timpone

<http://www.dreadcentral.com/news/270080/wtf-nyc-births-another-genre-film-fest/>

Note this is an interview with Maria Reinup.

DREAD CENTRAL - March 7, 2018

"What The Fest!?! 2018 – Full Slate of Films Revealed" by Jonathan Barkan

<http://www.dreadcentral.com/news/268622/what-the-fest-2018-full-slate-of-films-revealed/>

Note I've requested edits to the typos in the intro paragraph.

RUE MORGUE - March 7, 2018

"REVENGE, GHOST STORIES, THE RANGER & More at NYC'S What the Fest!?!" by Michael Gingold

<https://rue-morgue.com/venge-ghost-stories-the-ranger-more-at-nycs-what-the-fest/>

SCREEN ANARCHY - March 7, 2018

"First Lineup from New York's What's The Fest!?! Includes BOILED ANGELS, LOWLIFE, REVENGE and More" by Rodney Perkins

<http://screenanarchy.com/2018/03/first-lineup-from-new-yorks-whats-the-fest-includes-boiled-angels-lowlife-revenge-and-more.html>

FILM PULSE - March 7, 2018

"2018 What The Fest!?! Lineup Announced" by Adam Patterson

<https://filmpulse.net/2018-fest-lineup-announced/>

SHOOT ONLINE - March 7, 2018

"WHAT THE FEST!?! Genre Film Festival Announces Full Lineup" by Staff

<https://www.shootonline.com/spw/what-fest-genre-film-festival-announces-full-lineup>

DEN OF GEEK - March 7, 2018

"What The Fest!?! Genre Film Festival Coming to NY IFC Center" by Tony Sokol

<http://www.denofgeek.com/us/movies/271514/what-the-fest-genre-film-festival-coming-to-ny-ifc-center>

FILM THREAT - March 16, 2018

"WTF (What The Fest!?) Brings Revenge to NYC" by Chris Gore

<http://filmthreat.com/news/wtf-what-the-fest-brings-revenge-to-nyc/>

DAILY DEAD - March 28, 2018

"Horror Highlights: What the Fest!?! 2018 Lineup, CORBIN NASH Trailer & Key Art, THE UNWILLING Home Media Release Details" by Tamika Jones

<https://dailydead.com/horror-highlights-what-the-fest-2018-lineup-corbin-nash-trailer-key-art-the-unwilling-home-media-release-details/>

HADDONFIELD HORROR - March 20, 2018

"What the Fest 2018 Line-Up" by Ryan Morrissey-Smith

<http://www.haddonfieldhorror.com/2018/03/what-fest-2018-line-up.html>

HORROR BUZZ - March 7, 2018

"What the Fest Genre Film Festival Announces Full Line Up" by Norm Gidney

<https://horrorbuzz.com/what-the-fest-genre-film-festival-announces-full-line-up/>

HORROR BUZZ - February 9, 2018

"IFC Center Announces What The Fest!?" by Norm Gidney

<https://horrorbuzz.com/ifc-center-announces-fest/>

POP HORROR - April 3, 2018

"Boiled Angels: The Trial of Mike Diana' Wins Audience Award At WTF Genre Festival" by Tori Danielle

<https://www.pophorror.com/boiled-angels-the-trial-of-mike-diana-wins-audience-award-at-wtf-genre-festival/>

POP HORROR - March 8, 2018

"What the Fest!?! Genre Film Festival Announces Full Lineup!" by Tori Danielle

<https://www.pophorror.com/what-the-fest-genre-film-festival-announces-full-lineup/>

NIGHTMARISH CONJURINGS - April 4, 2018

"What the Fest!?! Wraps Inaugural First Year" by Shannon McGrew

<http://www.nightmarishconjurings.com/news/2018/4/4/what-the-fest-wraps-inaugural-first-year>

NIGHTMARISH CONJURINGS - March 7, 2019

"WHAT THE FEST!?! Genre Film Festival Announces Full Lineup!" by Shannon McGrew

<http://www.nightmarishconjurings.com/news/2018/3/7/what-the-fest-genre-film-festival-announces-full-lineup>

NIGHTMARISH CONJURINGS - February 8, 2018

"What the Fest!?, 4-Day Festival of Genre Films to Launch at IFC Center 3/29 - 4/1"

<http://www.nightmarishconjurings.com/news/2018/2/8/what-the-fest-4-day-festival-of-genre-films-to-launch-at-ifc-center-329-41>

GHASTLY GRINNING - February 8, 2018

"What The Fest? Genre Film Festival Coming To NYC!" by Staff

<https://www.ghastlygrinning.com/home/2018/2/8/what-the-fest-genre-film-festival-coming-to-nyc>

THIS WEEK IN NEW YORK - March 27, 2018

"What the Fest!?" by Mark Rifkin

<http://twi-ny.com/blog/2018/03/27/what-the-fest/>

FOLLOWING FILMS - March 26, 2018

"WHAT THE FEST? 2018 Preview" by Christopher Maynard

<http://www.followingfilms.com/2018/03/what-fest-2018-preview.html>

BRAZILIAN PRESS - April 1, 2018

"The 1st What The Fest!?! Showcases a Gore-Infested Feast for Fans of Horror" by Roger Costa

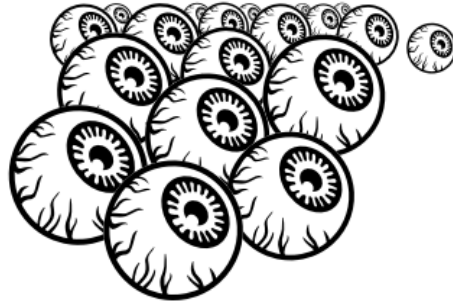
<http://www.brazilianpress.com/v1/2018/03/26/the-1st-what-the-fest-showcases-a-gore-infested-feast-for-fans-of-horror/>

SCENESTER.TV - April 2, 2018

"First Annual WHAT THE FEST!?! Wraps, Frank Henenlotter's Boiled Angels: the Trial of Mike Diana Wins Audience Award" by Staff

<https://scenester.tv/first-annual-what-the-fest-wraps-frank-henenlotters-boiled-angels-the-trial-of-mike-diana-wins-audience-award/>

III. FESTIVAL FILM REVIEWS



THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER - April 11, 2018

BOILED ANGELS Review by John DeFore (Positive)

<https://www.hollywoodreporter.com/review/boiled-angels-trial-mike-diana-1101869>

THE WRAP - March 30, 2018

BOILED ANGELS Review by Elizabeth Weitzman (Positive)

<https://www.thewrap.com/boiled-angels-the-trial-of-mike-diana-film-review-frank-henenlotter/>

THE VERGE - April 4, 2018

BLUE MY MIND Review by Shannon Liao (Positive)

<https://www.theverge.com/2018/4/4/17192662/blue-my-mind-movie-review-mermaids-sirens-what-the-fest-2018>

WE GOT THIS COVERED - April 5, 2018

BLUE MY MIND Review by Matt Donato (3.5 out of 5 Stars)

<http://wegotthiscovered.com/movies/blue-mind-review-fest/>

WASHINGTON SQUARE NEWS - April 6, 2018

BLUE MY MIND Review by Devanshi Khetarpal (Positive)

<https://www.nyunews.com/2018/04/05/04-06-arts-blue/>

BLOODY DISGUSTING - March 31, 2018

BLUE MY MIND Review by Dax Ebaben (4 out of 5 Skulls)

<http://bloody-disgusting.com/reviews/3489112/fest-review-blue-mind-strange-exceptional-debut-elements-body-horror/>

BLOODY DISGUSTING - March 30, 2018

VALLEY OF SHADOWS Review by Luiz H.C. (8 out of 10 Skulls)

<http://bloody-disgusting.com/reviews/3489951/fest-review-valley-shadows-grim-fascinating-fairy-tale/>

DREAD CENTRAL - April 4, 2018

BLUE MY MIND Review by Jonathan Barkan (4 out of 5 Stars)

<http://www.dreadcentral.com/reviews/270571/what-the-fest-2018-blue-my-mind-review-spring-meets-thelma-this-coming-age-story/>

DREAD CENTRAL - April 2, 2018

BOILED ANGELS Review by Jonathan Barkan (4 out of 5 Stars)

<https://www.rue-morgue.com/what-the-fest-18-movie-review-frank-hennenlotter-returns-with-boiled-angels-the-trial-of-mike-diana/>

DREAD CENTRAL - April 2, 2018

SATAN'S SLAVES Review by Jonathan Barkan (3.5 out of 5 Stars)

<http://www.dreadcentral.com/reviews/270540/what-the-fest-2018-satans-slave-review-indonesian-occult-horror-remake-gets-it-right/>

RUE MORGUE - April 2, 2018

BOILED ANGELS Review by Jacob Trussell (Positive)

<https://www.rue-morgue.com/what-the-fest-18-movie-review-frank-hennenlotter-returns-with-boiled-angels-the-trial-of-mike-diana/>

SLASH FILM - April 1, 2018

SATAN'S SLAVES Review by Ethan Anderton (8 out of 10)

<http://www.slashfilm.com/satans-slaves-review-the-scariest-film-of-2018-you-havent-heard-of-yet-what-the-fest-2018/>

JOBLO - April 3, 2018

LOWLIFE Review by Cody Hamman (8 out of 10)

<http://www.joblo.com/horror-movies/news/lowlife-movie-review-187>

JOBLO - March 30, 2018

REVENGE Review by Mike Sprague (8 out of 10)

<http://www.joblo.com/horror-movies/news/revenge-movie-review-292>

GEEKS - April 7, 2018

REVENGE Review by Valerie Complex (6 out of 10)

<https://geeks.media/what-the-fest-2018-revenge-review?>

FILM PULSE - April 2, 2018

LOWLIFE Review by Blake Crane (8 out of 10 Stars)

<https://filmpulse.net/what-the-fest-2018-lowlife-review/>

FILM PULSE - April 1, 2018

BLUE MY MIND Review by Blake Crane (8 out of 10 Stars)

<https://filmpulse.net/what-the-fest-2018-blue-my-mind-review/>

FILM PULSE - April 1, 2018

BOILED ANGELS Review by Adam Patterson (5 out of 10 Stars)

<https://filmpulse.net/what-the-fest-2018-boiled-angels-review/>

FILM PULSE - March 29, 2018

REVENGE Review by Adam Patterson (8 out of 10 Stars)

<https://filmpulse.net/what-the-fest-2018-revenge-review/>

CRYPTIC ROCK - April 5, 2018

LOWLIFE Review by Jeannie Blue (4 out of 5 Stars)

<https://crypticrock.com/lowlife-movie-review/>

CRYPTIC ROCK - April 1, 2018

BOILED ANGELS Review by Jeannie Blue (4.5 out of 5 Stars)

<https://crypticrock.com/boiled-angels-trial-mike-diana-documentary-review/>

CRYPTIC ROCK - April 1, 2018

GHOST STORIES Review by Dave Heath (4 out of 5 Stars)

<https://crypticrock.com/ghost-stories-movie-review/>

CRYPTIC ROCK - April 1, 2018

BLUE MY MIND Review by Jeannie Blue (4.5 out of 5 Stars)

<https://crypticrock.com/blue-mind-movie-review/>

CRYPTIC ROCK - March 30, 2018

THE ENDLESS Review by Dave Heath (4.5 out of 5 Stars)

<https://crypticrock.com/endless-movie-review/>

HORROR BUZZ - April 2, 2018

BLUE MY MIND Review by Remy Cashman (Positive)

<https://horrorbuzz.com/blue-my-mind-is-accomplished-filmmaking/>

HORROR BUZZ - April 2, 2018

THE ENDLESS Review by (Positive)

<https://horrorbuzz.com/the-endless/>

HORROR BUZZ - March 30, 2018

VALLEY OF SHADOWS Review by Remy Cashman (Mixed)

<https://horrorbuzz.com/valley-of-shadows-screens-at-what-the-fest/>

POP HORROR - April 5, 2018

THE TERROR Review by Tori Danielle (Positive)

<https://www.pophorror.com/what-the-fest-2018-amcs-the-terror-is-dark-and-desolate/>

POP HORROR - April 4, 2018

THE ENDLESS Review by Tori Danielle (Positive)

<https://www.pophorror.com/what-the-fest-2018-the-endless/>

FRIGHTDAY - April 3, 2018

VALLEY OF SHADOWS Review by Elizabeth Talbott (4 out of 5 Stars)

<http://www.frightday.com/a-666-character-review-of-valley-of-shadows/>

FRIGHTDAY - April 3, 2018

REVENGE Review by Elizabeth Talbott (5 out of 5 Stars)

<http://www.frightday.com/a-666-character-review-of-revenge/>

FRIGHTDAY - April 5, 2018

BOILED ANGELS Review by Jacob Sever (4.5 out of 5 Stars)

<http://www.frightday.com/a-666-character-review-of-boiled-angels-the-trial-of-mike-diana/>