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^{DVD}
Title of Book or Resource: The Architect

Author: Matt Tauber

Other identifying information (Publisher, format, publication date, library call number):

Do you represent:

☒ Yourself

☐ A Group or Organization (Name) _____

1. What concerns you about this work? (Please be specific. Cite pages or sections.)

Title implies something about Architects.
As Retired Architect I was drawn to title. The whole movie
Feels contrived and predictable and depressing. When
2 ~~three~~ boys kiss and then one commits suicide.

2. What brought this work to your attention?

The Title

Not Entertaining
Shocking Not Necessary
Depressing.

3. Did you examine the entire work? (Circle one) Yes | No

If not, what sections did you examine?

4. What do you feel might happen as the result of reading/viewing this work?

Someone may feel conflicted like
Boy who jumped off roof = Suicide

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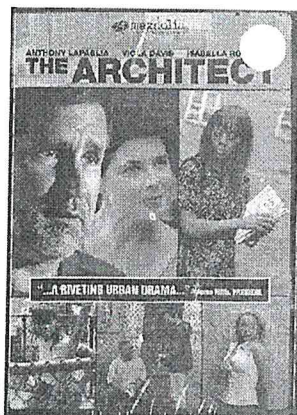
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The Architect

Anthony LaPaglia (Actor), Viola Davis (Actor), Matt Tauber (Director, Writer)

Rated: R Format: DVD

3.8 57 ratings 5.5/10.0

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Genre Drama

Format NTSC, Multiple Formats, Color, Dolby, Special Edition, Subtitled, Widescreen, Closed-captioned

Contributor Matt Tauber, Serena Reeder, Walton Goggins, Paul James, David Greig, Duane McLaughlin, Isabella Rossellini, Sebastian Stan, Anthony LaPaglia, Marsha See more

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Runtime 1 hour and 22 minutes

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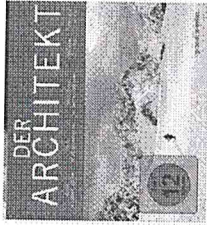
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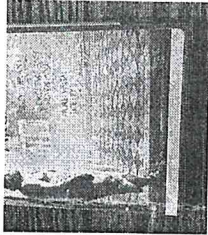
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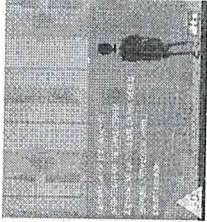
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My Architect [Region 2]

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Product Description

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An architect engages in conflict with an activist who lives in a dangerous complex the architect designed.

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Anthony LaPaglia, an expert at playing the conflicted Everyman, notches another such character in *The Architect*, a low-budget adaptation of a play by David Greig. LaPaglia plays a Chicago architect, complacent in his teaching theories and obsessed with his scale models, who doesn't comprehend the effect of his designs on the people who actually live in his buildings. Case in point: an eighties-era housing project, now overrun by gangs, drugs, and despair. It's gotten so bad that resident Viola Davis (*World Trade Center*) is petitioning the city to tear the place down, and she's approached the architect about signing. Meanwhile, the movie ranges across the families of both characters, including LaPaglia's massively confused teenaged kids (Hayden Panettiere, Sebastian Stan), both of whom are trying on unfamiliar sexual roles. Isabella Rossellini plays LaPaglia's dazed wife, who straightens up the house in order to stave off the unhappiness of her marriage. In short, there's a lot going on here, too much for the brief running time of the movie; these people tend to have emblematic traits and not much else. Enlivened by actors, that kind of thing can work better on stage than in film, where the material feels skeletal. LaPaglia and Davis are in excellent form, however, and earn some of the power of the final moments. --Robert Horton

Product details

Aspect Ratio : 1.78:1

Is Discontinued By Manufacturer : No

MPAA rating : R (Restricted)

Waste of time

Reviewed in the United States on July 14, 2023

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AMAZON
10%+ CRITICAL REVIEWS

While the acting was mostly good the story and directing is awful. The movie is about a woman's fight to have her buildings destroyed and the designer's/architect's fight to stop them from being destroyed. She wants them destroyed because of design flaws but the movie never shows them to us unless if they're talking about the surroundings of the buildings which appears to have a ton of thugs.

For some reason instead of showing us the inside of the buildings they mostly show the courtyard and play yard areas. The little they showed of inside the buildings, mostly the protesting lady's apartment, actually looked decent. The outside condition of the buildings looked fine to me. The only issue I saw was the people hanging outside the courtyard areas but that seems to be a policing and community issue to me, not an architect/design issue.

The movie spends a lot of time on non-related issues such as the daughter trying to get sex from a trucker that is old enough to be her dad, and the son who meets up with a male resident from the buildings that the lady is protesting and they end up hooking up with each other and suddenly the guy jumps off the roof but of course they don't show it.

Turns out that the protesting lady admits that she wanted the buildings torn down because her son jumped out of the window due to his depression, and the city decided to tear down the buildings anyways but they don't tell us why. Horrible movie, don't waste your time.

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colferfan

If you like depressing movies, go for it.

Reviewed in the United States on March 28, 2018

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Sad, depressing, unhappy people with no upside to it.

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S. Funk

ordinary people 30 years later

Reviewed in the United States on May 12, 2008

this movie was one of the most depressing I have seen in 10 years. The DVD jacket could be called "bait and switch". nothing was said about the lack of dimension of the characters. If looking for a good movie along this type that truly is a character study try "Ordinary People".

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