



BFI Flipside presents

Psychomania

A film by Don Sharp

Nicky Henson, Mary Larkin, George Sanders, Beryl Reid, Roy Holder, Robert Hardy
Soundtrack by John Cameron

Packed with gothic tropes, black humour and eccentric performances (including George Sanders' final screen role), *Psychomania* is a cult horror classic brimming with exciting action and fantastical mayhem. On 26 September 2016 it will be released on DVD and Blu-ray in a Dual Format Edition by BFI Flipside, stuffed with special features including interviews with cast members, rare short films, a new interview with Nicky Henson, a new short film about Lewis Leathers and more.

Upon discovering a dark family secret, Tom Latham (Nicky Henson), the leader of hell-raising teen motorcycle gang The Living Dead, decides to take drastic measures to ensure his gang's superiority. Through his devil-worshipping mother (Beryl Reid), Tom makes a pact with Satan to ascertain the secret of immortality. Using this information he encourages his fellow riders to end their lives, safe in the knowledge that they'll soon return from the dead to invulnerably terrorise the locals.

Psychomania will be launched with a screening at BFI Southbank (NFT1) on Wednesday 14 September at 8.30pm, followed by a Q&A with actor Nicky Henson, hosted by Flipside curators Vic Pratt and William Fowler. It will also be screened at the Starburst International Film Festival in Manchester on Friday 26 August and around the country as part of Scalarama during September.

Nicky Henson is available for interview.

Special features

- Newly remastered in 2K from preservation negatives and presented in both High Definition and Standard Definition
- *Return of the Living Dead* (2010, 25 mins): interviews with stars Nicky Henson, Mary Larkin, Denis Gilmore, Roy Holder and Rocky Taylor
- *Sound of Psychomania* (2010, 9 mins): interview with soundtrack composer John Cameron
- *Riding Free* (2010, 7 mins): interview with 'Riding Free' singer Harvey Andrews
- *An interview with Nicky Henson* (2016, 14 mins): the star of *Psychomania* recalls his time on the film
- *Hell for Leather* (2016, 8 mins): documentary about Lewis Leathers who supplied the film's costumes
- *Remastering Psychomania* (2016, 2 mins)
- *Discovering Britain with John Betjeman: Avebury, Wiltshire* (1955, 3 mins): the celebrated British poet narrates this travelogue about the Avebury stone circle and nearby burial grounds

- *Roger Wonders Why* (1965, 19 mins): a church-made amateur film which sees two Christian biker youths visit the legendary 59 Club, where they meet its founder, Reverend Bill Shergold
- Original theatrical trailer
- *Wilson Bros Trivia Track* (2016, onscreen text): a newly-produced subtitle trivia-track by the horror aficionado siblings
- Illustrated booklet with new writing by Vic Pratt, William Fowler and Andrew Roberts; and full film credits

Product details:

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UK / 1973 / colour / English language, with optional hard-of-hearing subtitles / 91 mins / original aspect ratio 1.66:1 // BD50: 1080p, 24fps, PCM mono (48kHz/24-bit) / DVD9: PAL, 25fps, Dolby Digital 1.0 mono (192kbps)

More details on screenings at:

www.bfi.org.uk/whatson

www.starburstfilmfest.co.uk

www.scalarama.com

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