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Editorial Review

Review

“Jacking into the Matrix Franchise: Cultural Reception and Interpretation [is] a collection of meaty essays on The Matrix’s cultural meaning. Hailing from a range of scholarly disciplines, the contributors speak to the innumerable interpretations the films have inspired. This collection’s strength is that it doesn’t try to tell you that the Matrix films are good or bad movies. The writers are as interested in the films’ failures as in their innovations, and in the opportunities they offer to take the measure of the American mind. They ask intriguing questions. I came away from Jacking convinced that the Matrix films are more than action flicks. By provoking such passionate and thoughtful responses, from academics and water-cooler philosophers alike, the series has embodied the cyborg dreams, the fears and desires, of Americans at the turn of the millennium. And that’s something worth reading about.” – The Boston Phoenix, 9/11/04

“Any book under the editorial leadership of Professor William Doty is an event. His authority insures that the articles have intellectual density and academic weight. Yet, what is much rarer in this kind of publication, is a style that will captivate anybody interested in understanding how we experience and interpret films. The discussion is fascinating, the ideas fresh, the bibliographies precious. The title: Jacking into the Matrix Franchise: Cultural Reception and Interpretation, is too restrictive as it may appear like it is only addressed to fans of the Matrix films (of which I am not). But the collection of articles offers much more: it is a grand tour of all the subjects that matter in film studies: gender and degenderization, race and multiraciality, evolving and contradictory definitions of male and female heroism, religious symbolism in an entertainment culture, hidden agendas and embedded political values, postmodern deconstruction and reconstruction of hope, archetypal characters showing up unannounced, the opposition of an old in the new market of spiritual values and more. I am one of those who, twenty some years ago, immensely enjoyed Baudrillard’s *Simulacra and Simulation* (1981). Doty and Kapell’s collection of articles are the best update on the subject I have read since. I am ready to bet my copy of *Bound* (another Wachowski brother’s movie), that Doty and Kapell’s collection of articles will become a classic in film studies. I think of *Bound* as the best film ever made about trust (as well as a superb thriller); it did not attract the fame of the Matrix, and reading Jacking into the matrix Franchise help me understand why.” - Ginette Paris, PhD. Pacifica Graduate Institute, Spring Journal 2004

“Two things distinguish this useful mapping of the Wachowski brothers’ Matrix film trilogy... First, its range of contributors... second, the editors’ insistence on conversational writing makes for an uncommon accessibility.... Recommended.” –Choice, January 2005 (*CHOICE*)

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