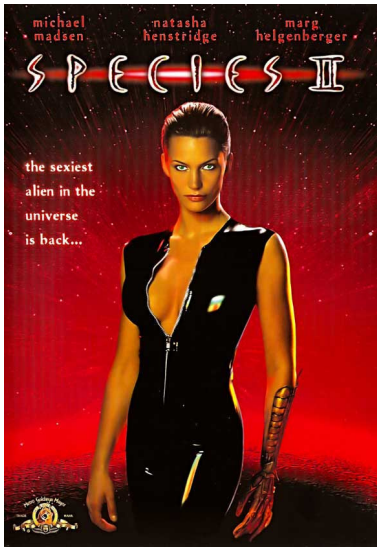


Short Review: “Species II” (1998) by Dr. John L. Flynn



Species II (1998), MGM, color, 93 min. Director: Peter Medak. Writers: Dennis Feldman and Chris Brancato. Producer: Frank Mancuso, Jr. Cast: Michael Madsen, Natasha Henstridge, Marg Helgenberger, and Mykelti Williamson.

Two astronauts come back from a manned mission to Mars, and one of them (Justin Lazard) carries the genetic make-up of the Martian species inside of him. Soon, he’s mating like crazy, running off with mutant babies that burst out of women. We all saw **Alien**, right? With a second “kinder and gentler” Sil, now called Eve (don’t ask us why Dr. Baker made a second one?), Lennox (Madsen) leads his crew on a search for the oversexed astronaut. He reproduces amazingly fast. Humankind is challenged. Oh, this is so cheap and dirty. Call it a guilty pleasure.

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