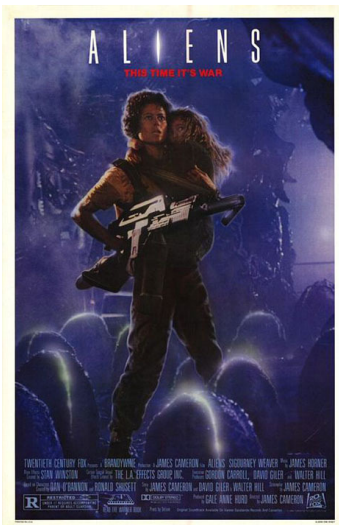


Short Review: “Aliens” (1986) by Dr. John L. Flynn



Aliens (1986). (aka Alien 2). 20th Century Fox, color, 137 min. Director: James Cameron. Writers: David Giler, Walter Hill, etc. Producer: Gale Anne Hurd. Cast: Sigourney Weaver, Carrie Henn, Michael Biehn and Lance Henriksen.

Over 50 years after Ripley (Weaver) abandoned the Nostromo, she awakens to learn that humans have attempted to colonize the planet on which the deadly aliens were first discovered. Ripley joins a group of gung-ho Space Marines who travel to Archeron to rescue the colonists. She grows protective of a little girl who is the sole survivor, and then the aliens attack. While “Alien” is essentially a horror film, “Aliens” is an action-adventure film with horror components. Just like Ripley, the Space Marines, both males and females, are hard-charging fighters, ready to take on the worst nightmare humankind has ever known. The climactic duel between Ripley and the alien queen is unforgettable. When your girlfriend demands to watch a chick-flick, load this one up for her! She’ll either thank you for it, or bury her head in your lap. Either way, you win!

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