Blu-ray Review: Michael Fassbender, Carey Mulligan in Stunning ‘Shame’

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CHICAGO – We’re never going to get the films we deserve from adult filmmakers if the NC-17 continues to operate under the stigma that it does. “Shame” was a perfect film to warrant an NC-17 and yet the rating became the story instead of the film itself, to the point that critics and awards voters didn’t give this excellent work the credit it deserves. When viewers catch up with it over the next few years, they’ll be stunned that the film earned zero Oscar nominations. What Michael Fassbender and Carey Mulligan do here is nothing short of stunning.



Blu-ray Rating: **4.5/5.0**

Controversial levels of nudity, sex addiction, the NC-17 — this became the story of “Shame,” even for some respected critics. It’s too bad because there’s more to Steve McQueen’s daring film than the headlines may have to believe. Most importantly, it’s an amazing actor’s showcase for two of our best working actors. Ignore the controversy. See the movie.



Shame was released on Blu-ray and DVD on April 17, 2012.
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Synopsis:
“Driven by a brilliant and ferocious performance by Michael Fassbender,” (Hollywood Reporter) Shame tells the riveting story of Brandon, a handsome New York businessman with a dark and destructive secret. His solitary existence is shaken by the unexpected arrival of his sister Sissy (Carey Mulligan, An Education), another damaged soul who brings memories of a painful shared past. Graphic, highly provocative and undeniably powerful, “Shame is the most devastating and thought-provoking cinematic experiences of the entire year.” (Richard Roeper)

Special Features:
o Focus On Michael Fassbender
o Director Steve McQueen
o The Story of Shame
o A Shared Vision
o Fox Movie Channel Presents: In Character With Michael Fassbender

“Shame” stars Michael Fassbender, Carey Mulligan, James Badge Dale, and Nicole Beharie. It was written by Abi Morgan & Steve McQueen and was directed by McQueen. It was released on Blu-ray and DVD on April 17, 2012.


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