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Popcorn & A Movie With Adam Wisconsin Film Fest Review

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Thanks for taking the time to read my review of the Wisconsin Film Festival.



Another great year is behind us and I'm already looking forward to next year. Here's some of the movies that I caught over the four days.

Punk's Not Dead - 95 Min

UW graduate and Director Susan Dynner recaps the high's and lows of the Punk music genre. The theory; Punk music has never gone away. Sometimes it just not as popular. An odd juxtaposition, because Punk is often identified as the opposite of pop music. A major focal point of the film was new and old punkers debating over who actually stays true to the music style. It could have been a better documentary, but was better than a punch in the face.

Fay Grim - 1h 58min

Was this movie a comedy or thriller? The always quirky Parker Posey leads the way, dodging CIA agents, adding her own humor to the old cloak and dagger. *Fay Grim* is the wife of a spy who's secrets could bring down governments. Is she just playing dumb, or is she smarter than everyone else? I enjoyed the twists and turns. Jeff Goldblum also stars as a snarky CIA agent on her trail.

Sportsfan - 1h 6min

If you can find it, all football fans should check out this documentary. Originally shown on Spike TV, *Sportsfan* is about the lives of die hard Minnesota Vikings fans. Beyond the goofy behavior of relentless fans, the film really gets to the heart of what makes a sports fan. Yeah, there's no love for the Packers here, but you still feel what the true fans feels. I recommend some serious therapy for the poor souls featured in the film.

Diggers - 1h 27min

Diggers was my favorite from this year's fest. Starring Paul Rudd and Maura Tierney, its about the lives of a couple 1970's Long Island clam diggers, who yearn for more. The dramatic comedy is also about how four buddies find themselves, while dealing with their bland, blue collar lives. Their unique dealings with a larger corporation coming in, and threatening thier livelihood was nothing less than entertaining. Sharp, witty and delightful.