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Member Alert: *BATS* Movie is a True Horror



Recycling the same old formula of movies such as *Jaws* and *Anaconda*, Hollywood is once again playing upon people's fear of mysterious animals with the release of *Bats*, a scary feature that opens in U.S. theaters October 22. The movie depicts a small Texas town terrorized by genetically altered, demon-like bats: essentially, a 1999 version of Alfred Hitchcock's *The Birds*.

BCI has made multiple requests to the movie producers and distributors for a public service announcement to accompany the film, but such attempts have failed. Although some positive information has been included, the overall impression will be that bats are dangerous. We appreciate our members' concern and remind you that there are many ways you can help.

- Write a letter to your local newspaper to correct myths about bats associated with the movie.

-Volunteer to give bat programs to local schools and community groups to explain the roles of bats in nature.

-Hand out BCI "Bat Fact" cards with Halloween candy. (In the U.S. and Canada, call the BCI catalog order line at 1-800-538-BATS.)

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