



DICK MILLER

“That Guy Dick Miller”



Bronx born Dick Miller got his start where so many movie mavericks also began: with “The King of the B’s”, director and producer Roger Corman. Dick was a struggling writer, and so when a mutual friend introduced them, naturally he thought he’d gotten his big break. He did, but not as a writer... As an actor!

Dick Miller might not be a household name, but his face is known in millions of households as everything from a busboy/beatnik turned murderer to a by-the-book cop, and from a pickup artist to a priest. His career spans 6 decades in which he has appeared in more than 175 motion pictures, had 4 television series and over 2000 television appearances under his belt. Dick has worked for such directors as Steven Spielberg, Martin Scorsese, Joe Dante, Roger Corman, James Cameron, Ernest Dickerson, and the great Sam Fuller, just to name a few. He has shared the silver screen with Boris Karloff, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jack Nicholson, Robert De Niro, William Sadler, a misbehaving monkey, The Ramones, John Goodman and countless others.

In this unprecedented documentary, we follow Dick from his first big role in *Bucket of Blood*, on to *Gremlins*, *The Terminator*, to the *E.R.* TV series, and up to one of his latest roles in *Cutaways*.

“That Guy Dick Miller” is so much more than a dissertation of a life’s work, so much more than a collection of anecdotes, Hollywood history, home movies and rare film clips; it is Dick Miller’s story in his own words. Whether everyone agrees with those words, that’s another thing; an essential part of the conversation is Dick’s irrepressible wife Lainie, who’s been with him from day one on the set (and is a producer on this entertaining and enlightening documentary).

Along with Lainie, we get accounts from Jackie Joseph (“She was my wife in so many movies I thought I was married to her!” Dick quips), Mary Woronov, Robert Forster, Leonard Maltin, and of course the directors who’ve always had a role for him –Corman, Dante, and Ernest Dickerson, to name a few.

“That Guy Dick Miller” is a funny, candid, and upbeat look at a vibrant, mischievous, irreverent actor and ‘everyman’. There is a wealth of rare footage, photos and video, plus never before seen 8mm shots behind the scenes of movies little, and legendary. Film fans get rare glimpses into Dick’s family, his early days in New York, the move to L.A., his struggles, his process and his artwork. Augmented by animation, illustration, and hundreds of clips, personal home movies, and 47 interviews – we can see why “that guy’s in everything!”