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Saw it a couple nights ago. Here's the review I posted at rvb:

Quote:

Daruma's journal. March 10th, 2009:

Saw movie last night. Adaptation of popular graphic novel. Left bad taste in mouth. Possible that level of detachment required to enjoy movie as separate entity from book is unattainable. Too many plot elements left out. Story too rushed to acquire intended depth. Key characters underdeveloped. 160 pound weakling unbelievable in role of world's smartest man and Olympic-level athlete. Details both minor and major changed unnecessarily. Fight scenes unrealistic. Why are so few filmmakers unwilling to choose substance over style and marketability? Disappointing, but not surprising. Hollywood whores not as interested in simply retelling a good story as they are taking that story and milking every possible nickel and dime from it. But when they come to me, begging me to buy the dvd so they can further commercialize a great piece of literature, I will look down and whisper....

lol, no.

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I didn't really hate it as much as that makes it sound, but overall yeah, I think it could have been better. I have to agree with chilly that the I don't think the ending they went with would have resulted in the global unity it was supposed to. Also...

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There should have been more back story between Laurie and the Comedian. When they reveal that he is her father, it's not nearly as big a deal as it should be. And I really wish they could have spent more time on the side characters. A big part of the impact of the destruction of Times Square was seeing the deaths of people that you had gotten to know throughout the story; the detectives, the bull dyke cab driver, Rorschach's psychologist, and of course the newsstand guys. Another significant event that was left out was the death of Hollis Mason. I'll be interested to see if there's a 'director's cut' dvd.