

Punished by gluttony

« KOOKIE » is a very good short-film directed by Justin Harding in Canada and was released in 2016. The original version is in English, but this short-film is subtitled for the foreigners.

The characters are Bree, Bree's mother, the baby-sitter, and the clown.

This short-film relate Bree's story, a little girl often alone (looked after by a baby-sitter quite indifferent to Bree), disobedient and a food lover who isn't allowed cookies by her mother. But despite the ban to eat cookies, the young girl breaks the rule. Then her mother decides to prove threatening by replacing the cute cookie-jar (who represents a teddy bear) by another really creepy , represented by a clown's head, new guardian of these delicious little cakes, after this change, the little confuses reality and fiction and becomes like possessed by a spirit of paranoia.

This new jar reminds us of horror movies with clowns who have marqued a lot of thrill seekers in cinema. This change of jar shows also the transition of Bree's world appearing at first glance nice toward a troubling and nightmarish world. And Justin Harding hasn't only changed objects to differentiate these two worlds. In this way, the background music and the different framings in this movie do control our feeling (from a happy music toward a suspense music). The director is master of our sensitivity with these varied methods, it can be congratulated ! Through this work, Justin Harding gives us the pleasure to be surprised and anguished. Hats off to the performer !

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