

# Prince film marked by poor plot, good music

NEW YORK (CNS) — Rock star Prince revives the characters from his 1984 hit film "Purple Rain" in his latest musical, "Graffiti Bridge" (Warner Bros.).

This time around, The Kid (Prince) and musical rival Morris (Morris Day) are quarrelling over control of a dance club that was jointly willed to them.

Morris seems to have the upper hand as his music is more commercial and The Kid's girlfriend has deserted him to work for the more worldly Morris. But when the new girl in town, an ethereal creature appropriately tagged Aura (Ingrid Chavez), catches the fancy of both Morris and The Kid, there's sure to be a musical showdown.

With such a sketchy storyline it's soon clear that "Graffiti Bridge" is simply a feature-length music video, albeit a handsome one. Written, scored, directed by and starring Prince, the film is a vanity produc-

tion with arresting music and choreography that do little to advance the plot, such as it is.

Instead, music aside, the movie concentrates on sleek cinematography and starkly expressionistic lighting. The acting, however, is amateurish — lots of pouting and pretentious dialogue that is spouted ever so seriously. It might have worked better as a flippant comedy but when the film's production notes describe Prince as "an undisputed visionary" you know you are expected to see deep meanings in this film — not just the gratuitous graffiti it is.

Because of females depicted primarily as sex objects and suggestive dancing, the U.S. Catholic Conference classification is A-III — adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is PG-13 — parents are strongly cautioned that some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.



Prince portrays The Kid in Warner Bros.' musical drama, *Graffiti Bridge*, also starring Morris Day and The Time. Jeff Katz-Warner Bros. Inc.

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