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THE YES MEN FIX THE WORLD ★★★

CAPITALISTS aren't just greedy, they're stupid. Really stupid.

How else do you explain the success of Andy Bichlbaum and Michael Bonanno,

two ordinary guys who founded a group of political pranksters known as the Yes Men, who make corporations, politicians and journalists look like fools.

Their exploits roll out in "The Yes Men Fix the World," a hilarious movie written, directed and produced by the guys themselves.

It shows how Bichlbaum and Bonanno — a mix of Michael Moore and Sacha Baron Cohen — pass themselves off as corporate spokesmen or government officials and pull off outrageous pranks, for

which their targets always fall.

Targets range from Dow Chemical (remember the 1984 gas leak in India that killed thousands?) and Halliburton (Dick Cheney's pet corporation) to the BBC and New York Times (a phony edition declares the end of the Iraq war) to the mayor of New Orleans (a rather pompous gentleman, it appears) and the governor of Louisiana.

The Yes Men also recently put out a fake copy of The Post to publicize global warming.

Bichlbaum and Bonanno operate in much the same way as Moore, but since they are nowhere near as recognizable, people are more easily taken in.

Even if you don't agree with the Yes Men's political agenda, you'll get a big kick out of this movie.

Running time: 87 minutes. Not rated (nothing objectionable). At Film Forum, Houston Street, west of Sixth Avenue.

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