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Fango recently visited the set of the Canadian shocker SICK: SURVIVE THE NIGHT, from director Ryan M. Andrews. Most of the 15-day shoot took place in and around a house just outside Toronto, but our trip took place on day three, where the outdoor action sequences were being lensed on a farm in Pontypool, Ontario.

SICK: SURVIVE THE NIGHT stars Christina Aceto, Richard Roy Sutton, Robert Nolan, Jennifer Polansky and Fango’s own Debbie Rochon (pictured above with Andrews). Written by Andrews and Chris Cull, SICK takes place two years after a zombie infection has killed off billions, governments have collapsed and the human race is on the brink of extinction. This writer spent the better part of the day watching gunfights and zombie attacks, interviewing the cast and crew between setups. First up is a chat with director Andrews, introducing me to his new leading lady Aceto. Make note of the awesome zombie-killing truck in the background!

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During the lunch break, I chatted with director of photography Michael Jari Davidson. This was Andrews’ first film with Davidson as DP, and you can sense palpable chemistry between the two.

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While on set, I noticed some of the cast members taking a rest on one of the stunt crash mattresses in the middle of a farmer’s field where they were filming. It was too good to resist lying down myself for a quick interview with co-stars Sutton, Christopher Thompson and the beautiful Sandra DaCosta.

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Of course, being on the set of a zombie film, I couldn’t turn down the offer to do a quick cameo myself. So after an amazing hour in the makeup trailer (thanks to artist Mela Bayraktar), I shot a few quick inserts. *But* I had one more interview to do with actor Robert Nolan, still not looking quite myself!

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SICK just began postproduction; expect a release most likely late in 2012. In the meantime, check out a preview of the film in Fango #310, on sale later this month, and if you’re in the Toronto area Friday, Jan. 13, you can see the world premiere of Andrews’ new short film THE DEVIL WALKS AMONG YOU (along with his most recent feature, BLACK EVE). A Q&A with Andrews and actors Nolan and DaCosta will take place after the screening. Click here for more details.