

# **Miami Connection (aka 'really bad taekwondo movie')**

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1987, 1hr 26m (R) for martial arts violence and a few nipples.

'The year is 1987. Motorcycle ninjas tighten their grip on Florida's narcotics trade, annihilating anyone who dares to move in on their turf. Martial arts rock band Dragon Sound has had enough and embarks on a wave of crime-crushing justice.'

The 'demonstration' & 'sparring' that starts around 0:35 makes me want to go back under anesthesia. I have no idea why the TKD guys are using steel pipes and swords in half of their fight scenes.

On the up-side: this is prior to TKD as a 1988 Olympic event in Seoul, so it still has punching and take-downs. In addition, most of the actors pronounce it correctly: 'tay kwon doe'.

If the black Dragon Sound / TKD guy 'Jim' looks familiar, it is because he is kickboxing & UFC champ [Maurice Smith](#)...