



MVD READIES 'PORTLANDIA,' 'LONG STORY SHORT'

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MVD Entertainment Group is expanding its TV DVD offerings with a couple of high-profile new releases Dec. 6.

Portlandia: Season One collects all six episodes from the IFC series that presents a dreamy but skewed view of Portland, Ore. The show stars Fred Armisen ("Saturday Night Live") and Carrie Brownstein, who co-created it with director Jonathan Kriel, and is presented as a series of comedy shorts with recurring characters, including an organic farmer and cult leader, members of an adult hide-and-seek league, owners of a feminist book store, a militant bike messenger and an artsy couple who attach cut-



outs of birds to everything.



Guest stars include Kyle MacLachlan, Selma Blair, Steve Buscemi, Heather Graham, Aimee Mann, Sarah McLachlan, Aubrey Plaza, Gus Van

Sant, Jason Sudeikis and Portland mayor Sam Adams.

The "Portlandia" DVD (\$19.95) and Blu-ray/DVD combo (\$26.95) includes such extras as a blooper reel, extended scenes, deleted scenes, Armisen's speech to Oregon Episcopal School graduates, the original ThunderAnt videos from which "Portlandia" spawned, and commentary with Armisen, Brownstein and Kriel on every episode. Also included is a preview of the second season, which premieres Jan. 6 on IFC.

Colin Quinn: Long Story Short showcases the comedian's one-man play satirizing the history of the world. *Long Story Short* was directed by Jerry Seinfeld and filmed for a 2011 HBO special. The *Long Story Short* DVD (\$14.95) and Blu-ray/DVD combo (\$19.95) include commentary with Quinn and Seinfeld, behind-the-scenes footage and press event footage.