

# Action, Urban & Martial Arts

## VB Purchasing Guide

# From the streets...

### ACTION



#### BUENA VISTA

**Sin City** (DVD \$29.99) Robert Rodriguez and Frank Miller co-directed the \$73.2 million-grossing R-rated film based on a series of graphic novels created by Miller; **The Glass Shield Special Edition** (DVD \$19.99) A rookie cop and a female deputy uncover corruption when an innocent man is jailed for murder. Both street Aug. 16, prebook July 5

#### PALM/UMVD

**JSA** The killing of two North Korean soldiers points to a cover up in the zone between North and South Korea.

Street July 12, prebook now; DVD \$24.99

#### SCREEN MEDIA/UNIVERSAL

**Fighting Tommy Riley** Boxing film about an aging trainer and a young fighter. Street July 26, prebook July 5; DVD \$27.98

#### TAI SENG

**Sema: The Warrior of Ayodhya** An action saga set in ancient Thailand; **Throwdown** A man rediscovers life in Judo. Both street July 26, prebook June 14; DVD \$19.95

#### URBANWORKS/VENTURA

**Critical Assignment** One man's mission is to uncover the truth. Street July 12, prebook now; DVD \$14.99

#### YORK

**Rampart** A former drug dealer wants out of the drug business. Street Aug. 16, prebook July 26; DVD \$14.99

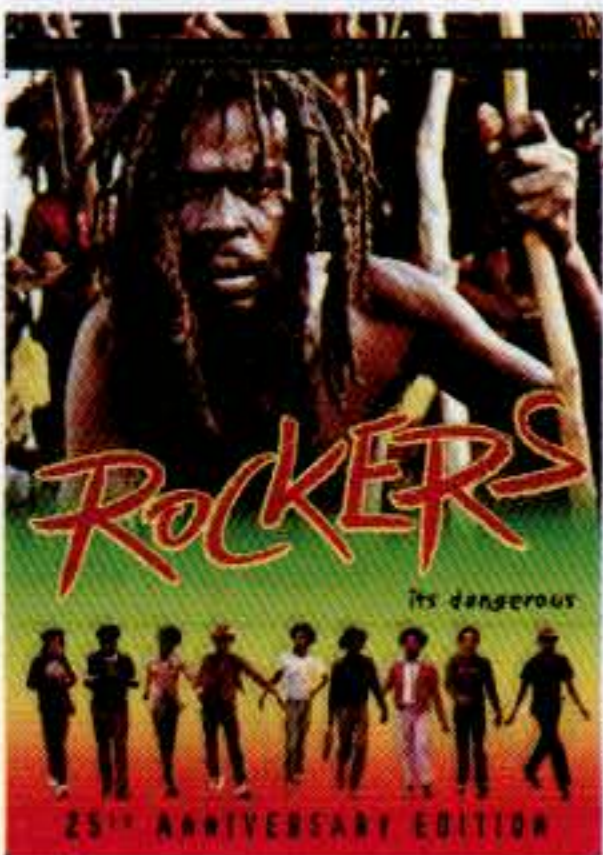
### URBAN

#### KOCH VISION

**Paper Chasers** The pursuit of power, respect and money drives the hip-hop industry. Street July 12, prebook June 14; DVD \$19.98

#### MAVERICK

**30 Miles** Two strangers harbor dark secrets and



## From the islands...

**M**usic Video Distributors is bringing a Jamaican urban film to stores this summer, **Rockers: 25th Anniversary Edition**. The film about the reggae movement is described as an "edgier, tougher" version of reggae film classic *The Harder They Come*, according to Ed Seaman, MVD sales and marketing VP. To promote the title and the genre overall, MVD is planning a contest in which retailers will be encouraged to set up displays of audio and video reggae titles. —Cindy Spielvogel

#### MVD

**Rockers 25th Anniversary Edition** In the Robin Hood-style story, oppressed Jamaican musicians get even with the "mafia types" in the business. Street June 21, prebook now; DVD \$19.95

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#### MGM

**The Breakin' Collection** Includes *Breakin'*, *Breakin' 2: Electric Boogaloo*, *Beat Street* and *A Phat Bonus Disc*. Street Aug. 16, prebook July 19; four-disc set \$39.96

#### WARNER

**New Jack City Special Edition** The classic urban gangster film starring Wesley Snipes, Chris Rock and Mario Van Peebles, who also directs. Street Aug. 23, prebook July 19; two-disc set \$26.99

### MARTIAL ARTS

#### ADNESS/VENTURA SELECT

**Swords of Vengeance** (a.k.a. *Fall of Ako Castle*) Director Kinji Fukasaku (*Battle Royale*, *The Yakuza Papers*) teams up with Sonny Chiba to present Japan's epic Samurai myth. Street Aug. 2, prebook June 21; DVD \$19.99

#### ARDUSTRY

**Aussie Park Boyz** Multi-ethnic gangs engage in brutal fights for money, power and vengeance. Street July 12, prebook June 21; DVD \$24.98

#### BCI/NAVARRE

**Pride FC: Bushido** (DVD \$14.98), **Cold Fury 3** (DVD \$19.98) and **Critical Countdown 2004** (DVD \$24.98) Latest releases in the fighting championship series. All street July 12, prebook June 21

#### CRASH

**Crash Masters Presents: Duel of the Masters; Old School Killas: Blood of a Hero, South Shaolin Master, Sword of the Master** and **One Man Vengeance**; and **Ultimate Ninja Collection: Ninja Terminator** and **Ninja Dragon**. All street July 26, prebook June 21; DVD \$9.97

#### NEW LINE/WARNER

**The Purifiers** Set in modern-day Britain, the R-rated Scottish martial arts film stars Dominic Monaghan. Street Aug. 30, prebook July 26; DVD \$24.98

#### TAI SENG

**The Tai Chi Master** A kung-fu adventure directed by Yuen Wo Ping. Street June 21, prebook now; DVD \$19.95 —Compiled by Barbara Wexler