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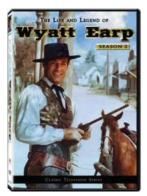
DEJA RE-VU

Pop Culture Classics' Recommended CDs, DVDs and Books By Paul Freeman

DVDs

AMOS LEE - "LIVE FROM THE ARTISTS DEN"

Filmed at Tucson's Fox Theatre, this is a top-notch set from one of our finest singersongwriters. The Philadelphia native presents a perfect blend of folk, rock and soul that resonates with authenticity. Highlights among the 16 gems here include "Street Corner Preacher," "Seven Spanish Angels" and "Flower." This artist deserves much more attention and this DVD should help him garner it.



"THE LIFE AND LEGEND OF WYATT EARP: SEASON TWO

Inception Media Group has just released the second season of this classic western TV series. First broadcast in 1956-57, these episodes stand up admirably. The show offered intelligence and character development, as well as the requisite brawling and gunfire. But the big attraction was charismatic lead Hugh O'Brien. He's still magnetic, a dapper deacon with steadfast morals who eschews booze and cigarettes. Armed with his distinctive Buntline Special, he shoots, not to kill, but to wing the villain's gun hand. Other Old West icons like Ned Buntline and Doc Holliday make appearances. The 39 episodes, on five DVDs, include such familiar faces as Paul Brinegar, Gloria Talbott and Lloyd Corrigan. As the theme song goes, "Wyatt Earp, Wyatt Earp ... brave, courageous and bold. Long live

his name, and long live his glory, and long may his story be told."

"I'M NOW: THE STORY OF MUDHONEY"

This documentary, now on DVD, takes fans from the band's origins through a recent world tour. Along the way, we get comments from not only grunge gods Mudhoney, but peers, including members of Pearl Jam, Sonic Youth and Soundgarden. The footage is filled with enough fierce lunacy and gritty rock to hold the attention of even non-fans. Highly entertaining.

"PAUL WILLIAMS: STILL ALIVE"

Spending two years filming his subject, Stephen Kessler fully captures Paul Williams, songwriter/celeb. It's an intimate, touching, insightful and very enjoyable journey. At his peak, in the '70s, Williams nearly overdosed on fame... among other things. Ironically, the chat show favorite, star of the cult film "Phantom of the Paradise" and great pop songs for such artists as The Carpenters, Barbra Streisand, Three Dog Night and the Muppets, eventually found himself forgotten. But he has recovered - sobriety, respect and a new lease on life. Currently the president of ASCAP, he makes a fascinating focal point for this inventive documentary.

"JAY AND SILENT BOB GET IRISH!"

Recorded during live broadcasts from a pub in Ireland, the diabolical, dynamic duo of Kevin Smith and Jason Mewes deliver the sort of wildly irreverent fun fans have come to expect. In addition to their prickly patter, there's plenty of interaction with the audience. In this package, subtitled: 'The Swearin' of the Green,' They hold nothing back, including details of Mewes' well-documented battles with addictions. 'Off-limits' isn't in their vocabulary. Their antics earn laughs galore. Disc Two includes a bonus Vegas show.

CELTIC THUNDER - "MYTHOLOGY"

There's a great sense of drama as these powerful voices entwine in their distinctive sextet style. Each group member gets his own moment in the spotlight, as well. Sets and lighting add to the theatricality and impact. Exploring their roots, the Thunder moves and uplifts the viewer with such numbers as "You Raise Me Up." The show was filmed at Dublin's Helix Theatre. A two-disc deluxe version is also available, which includes behind-the-scenes and at home footage.

CDs

WENDY FLOWER -

By Chris Epting, author/music iournalist

Once a flower child, always a flower child I

Coming Attractions Adam Sandle Al Franken Al Kooper Alan Alda Albert Hammond Alice Cooper Alvin Lee Andy Summers Ani DiFranco Arnold Schwarzenegger Art Clokey (creator of Gumby) Art Garfunkel Arthur Lee- Love Ashford & Simpson B-52's Badly Drawn Boy Barbara Mandrell Barry Mann Bay City Rollers Berlin Bert Jansch Betty Buckley Bijou Phillips Bil Maher Bill Medlev Bil Monroe Bil Wyman Billy Crystal Billy Joel Bjork Blur Bob Geldof Bob Mould Brendan Fraser Brian Regan Brubeck Brothers Bruce Hornsby Bruce Willis Buck Owens Buggy Guy Butch Trucks Buzzcocks Cameron Diaz Carlene Carter Carlos Santana Carnie Wilson Carole King Cate Blanchett Chevy Chase Chicago China Forbes Chip Taylor Chris Farley Chris Hillman Chris Isaak Chrissie Hynde Christian Slater Christopher Eccleston Christopher Reeve Cinematic Titanic Coldplay Colin Blunstone Collins Kids Concrete Blonde Count V Cowboy Junkies Cranberries Crystal Bernard Cybill Shepherd Cyndi Lauper Dan Aykroyd Danny DeVito Dave Brubeck Dave Clark Dave Davies Dave Mason Dave Matthews Dave Mustane David Cassidy David Gates David Grev David LaFlamme David Lee Roth Dean Torrence Dean Torrence Debby Harry Demi Moore Depeche Mode Devo Dick Clark Dick Dale Dolly Parton Don Everly Dudley Moore Duran Duran Dwight Yoakum Earl Klugh Ed O'Neil

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