

have been meticulously remastered from the original film elements — Paul Reubens personally supervised the restoration of the series frame by frame — in Shout! Factory's Blu-ray debut of **"Pee-wee's Playhouse: The Complete Series."** "Pee-wee's Playhouse" was an educational, artistic and entertaining show that taught kids strong "life lessons." With its innovative production design and Reubens' rich original characters and humor, "Pee-wee's Playhouse" was a magical place that sparked creativity and imagination and brought joy to children and adults alike. Parents and grown-ups have always enjoyed the show's many double entendres. The series features beloved regulars Cowboy Curtis (Laurence Fishburne), Reba the Mail Lady (S. Epatha Merkerson), Miss Yvonne (Lynne Marie Stewart), Captain Carl (Phil Hartman), The King of Cartoons (William Marshall), Jambie the Genie (John Paragon), Ricardo (Vic Trevino) and Mrs. Rene (Suzanne Kent). And of course, Chairry, Pterri, Conky, Magic Screen, Clocky, Cool Cat, Dirty Dog, Chicky Baby, Penny, the Dinosaur family, and the rest of the gang. \$149.99.



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Shout! Factory is beefing up its Vincent Price film offerings with the Blu-ray debut of **"The Vincent Price Collection II"** a four-disc set with "The House on Haunted Hill" (1959), "The Return of the Fly" (1959), "The Comedy of Terrors" (1963), "The Raven" (1963), "The Last Man on Earth" (1964), "The Tomb of Ligeia" (1964) and "Dr. Phibes Rises Again" (1972). Extras include commentaries with producer/director Roger Corman, actor Brett Halsey, film historians; original theatrical trailers; rare photos and archival materials; a 32-page collector's book featuring an essay by author and film historian David DeL Valle; all for \$79.97.



Also due from The Criterion Collection this week is the Blu-ray debut of **"F for Fake"** (1975) Orson Welles' free-form documentary that looks at the tenuous line between illusion and truth, art and lies. Beginning with portraits of the world-renowned art forger Elmyr de Hory and his equally devious biographer, Clifford Irving, Welles embarks on a dizzying journey that simultaneously exposes and revels in fakery and fakers of all stripes — not the least of whom is Welles himself.

BUZZIN' THE 'B'S':

"Life After Beth" (2014), starring Aubrey Plaza, Dane DeHaan, Molly Shannon, Cheryl Hines, Paul Reiser, Matthew Gray Gubler, John C. Reilly, is a "Zom-rom-com" in which Zach (DeHaan) is devastated after his girlfriend Beth (Plaza) dies unexpectedly. After Beth suddenly and mysteriously returns to life, Zach is overjoyed to have the second chance to prove his love for her. But when Beth starts developing some bizarre



tendencies — including a rather disturbing taste for flesh — Zach has to confront the facts: Can love survive among the living dead? On DVD, Blu-ray Disc from Lionsgate ... In **"The Squad"** (2011 — Spain), a nine-man squad sent to investigate the destruction of a military base high in the desolate wastelands of Colombia find only carnage and a mute woman in chains; gradually the isolation, the inability to communicate with the outside world and the impossibility of escape begin to undermine the sanity of the soldiers and they turn on one another. On DVD, Blu-ray Disc from Scream Factory/Shout! Factory ... Set in 1859, during the last days of the Joseon Dynasty, the wages of greed bring poverty and death in **"Kundo: Age of the Rampant"** (2014 — South Korea). A pack of bandits — calling themselves Kundo -- rise against the tyrants, stealing from the rich and giving to the poor. In an era where status is decided by birth, this band of thieves risks their lives for honor, in

the name of the poor and oppressed. But for one man, a debt of bloody revenge is owed to the aristocrat who robbed him of his family and his name. Stars Ha Jung-woo, Kang Dong-won, Lee Sung-min, Ma Dong-seok. On DVD, Blu-ray Disc from We'll Go USA ... In **"Wrong Turn 6: Last Resort"** (2014), starring Sadie Katz, Roxanne Pallett, Anthony Igot, Aqueela Zoll and Rollo Skinner, the unrelenting terror starts when an emotionally troubled young man, Danny, inherits an isolated backwoods hotel that may hold the key to his secret past. A trip to the peaceful resort quickly transforms into a blood-soaked killing spree, as Danny's friends are brutally murdered one by one. On DVD, Blu-ray Disc from Fox ... In **"Autumn Blood"** (2011), starring Sophie Lowe, Peter Stormare, Gustaf Skarsgard, Samuel Vauramo and Maximilian Harnisch,

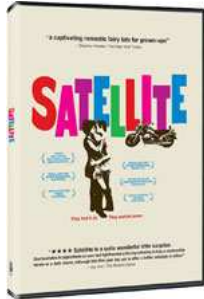
two young orphans in the Austrian Tirolan Mountains -- whose father was killed by the local mayor -- come under siege by a vicious band of hunters led by the mayor's son. Later, when a well-meaning social services worker arrives too late to protect the terrorized siblings, the girl and her brother prepare to take a stand against their ruthless attackers. From ARC Entertainment ... A hardened DEA agent descends into the dangerous underworld of Tijuana, Mexico in search of his ex-wife who he believes has been abducted by a charismatic Cartel boss with aspirations for public office in **"Misfire"** (2014), starring Gary Daniel, Vanessa Vasquez, Michael Greco. From Image Entertainment ... **"Play Hooky"** (2014), starring Becky Byers, Kim Kleemichen, Vincent Kulish, J. Wright Chester, Theresa Davis and Tom Petrone, is a found footage horror film about five high school friends who skip class in hopes of finding the perfect spot to party. But they chose the wrong place: Against all warnings, they break into an abandoned mental hospital, notorious for reports of ghost sightings, satanic rituals and demon possessions. Armed only with a camera, they're trapped inside, haunted and hunted by something they can't stop, reason with, or describe. On DVD, Blu-ray Disc from Wild Eye/PolyGrind/MVD Visual ... In **"The Scribbler"** (2014), starring Katie Cassidy, Michelle Trachtenberg, Eliza Dushku, Gina Gershon, Sasha Grey, Garret Dillahunt, Michael Imperioli, Billy Campbell, a young woman confronts her destructive mental illness by using "The Siamese Burn," an experimental machine designed to eliminate multiple personalities. The closer she comes to being "cured," the more she's haunted by a thought ... what if the last unwanted identity turns out to be her? On DVD, Blu-ray Disc from XLrator Media ... **"From Inside"** (2008), is a sci-fi animated adventure, based on the graphic novel by John Bergin, tells the story of Cee, a young pregnant woman who finds herself on a damaged train slowly transcribing its way across a bleak, apocalyptic landscape. Flood, war, starvation, and a plague of death threaten the train's passengers. Cee struggles through these dangers while coping with the memory of her lost husband and the imminent birth of her child. Animation uses panels from the graphic novel with 3D models, set pieces and effects. From MVD Visual ... **"Sexina"** (2007), starring Adam West,



Annie Golden and Lauren D'Avella, is the world's hottest teen pop star who's also a secret crime-fighting detective battling evils in the music industry. When she discovers a missing scientist has been forced to create a cyborg band for "The Boss" (West) of Blitz Records, the fists and the power ballads fly. Features music by Davy Jones. From Wild Eye Releasing/MVD Visual.

ON THE INDIE FRONT:

- **"The Search for Simon"**: (2013) Carol Cleveland, Simon Jones, Sophie Aldred, Lucy Clements, Carol Cleveland, Millie Reeves, Noeleen Comiske. David is 39 and, for almost 30 years, he's been looking for evidence of alien activity since, when he was 10, 7-year-old brother Simon suddenly disappeared; David's father told him that "Simon was abducted by aliens." David vowed to find his brother -- or at the very least find out about the Aliens that took him. This quest has taken over and completely filled his life; it's more than a passion, it's an obsession. David's best (and only) friend Robert, saddened by his friend's obsession and unwillingness to let go of the past, tries his best to get him interested in other things: games, pub quizzes, re-enactment societies and even ... women. And then one day after a chance random encounter with a book writing psychologist with an ear for obsession, he catches the eye of a pretty young woman, and everything changes. On DVD from MVD Entertainment.
- **"Satellite"**: (2014) Stephanie Szostack, Karl Geary, Pell James, Christina Kirk, Larry Fessenden. An indie romantic fable about a pair of millennials who give up everything they have in order to find something better. During a three-day marathon of passion, they make a pact to push each other to do the things they've avoided or are afraid of, and never lie to one another. Fueled by new love and a sense of adventure, Ro and Kevin impulsively quit their jobs, sell all their possessions, and begin stealing to make ends meet. However, their new life of free-spirited adventure is nearly derailed by Ro's self-destructive streak of jealousy and a dark secret she steadfastly refuses to reveal. From IndiePix.

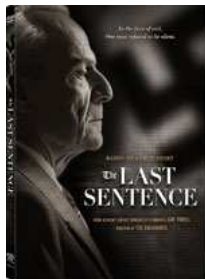


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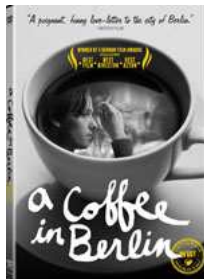
"Cannibal" (2014 — Spain), starring Antonio de la Torre and Olimpia Melinte, is the dark yet complex story of Carlos, the most respected tailor in Granada, Spain, who also happens to have a macabre hobby he keeps to himself. When her twin sister goes missing, Nina arrives in town to find her, and soon Carlos is at a crossroads — will Nina be yet another victim in his fruitless, fatal search for love, or will she be the first to show him just what it means to forge a true connection to someone else? From Film Movement ...

"For a Woman" (2014 — France), starring Benoit Magimel, Melanie Thierry, Nicolas Duvauchelle and Sylvie Testud, is the latest from Oscar-nominated director Diane Kurys ("Entre Nous," "Peppermint Soda," "Sagan"); it's the semi-autobiographical story of Anne, a woman who discovers a family secret as her father lays dying. When her parents, Michel and Lena, escaped the concentration camps of World War II, they began a new life in France; not long after, Michel's long-lost brother Jean shows up at their doorstep, and what ensues is a story of patriotism, rebellion, lust and desire. From Film Movement ...

"The Last Sentence" (2012 — Sweden), starring Jesper Christensen and Pernilla August, is the gripping true life story on the crusading Swedish journalist who mounted a one-man battle against his country's appeasement to Nazism. Set between 1933 and 1945, when Sweden was caught between the tightening vise of Nazi Germany and Stalin's Russia. At the time, the country's elite chose a policy of neutrality and compliance, with few daring to speak up against the evil around them. Among those who did, nobody was as vocal and uncompromising as Torngy Segerstedt (Jesper Christensen, the editor-in-chief of one of Sweden's leading newspapers and the most prominent Swedish journalist of the 20th century. Amidst the ensuing political turmoil of the era, Segerstedt's own personal life took a dramatic and scandalous turn as he entered into a very public affair with Maja Forssman (Pernilla August), the Jewish wife of his close friend, who happened to be the newspaper's publisher. From Music Box Films ... Shot in luxurious black-and-white and featuring a snappy jazz soundtrack. **"A Coffee in Berlin"** (2014 — Germany),



is a delightful, unassuming and deceptively easy-going comedy that zooms in on Niko, a twentysomething young man who is completely disengaged with life as he drifts through the day without a care in the world. However, his careless days eventually come to an end after his girlfriend ends their relationship, his father cuts his



money off, and he's diagnosed with an emotional imbalance. A quirky love letter to both Berlin and The Generation Y experience. Stars Tom Schilling, Katharina Schuttler, Justus von Dohnanyi. From Music Box Films ... In **"Le Chef"** (2012 — France), starring Jean Reno and Michael Youn, a veteran chef faces off against his restaurant group's new CEO, who wants the establishment to lose a star from its Michelin rating in order to bring in a younger chef who specializes in molecular gastronomy. On DVD, Blu-ray Disc from Cohen Media Group ... In **"A Woman in Flames"** (1983 -- Germany), a wealthy housewife, frustrated with her stuffy life, leaves her arrogant husband and enters the call girl business in a bizarre effort to regain her freedom and maintain her high-end lifestyle. When she meets a charming bisexual gigolo, she falls in love and the pair move in together until she eventually enters a world of sado-masochism that tears their world apart. Stars Gudrun Landgrebe, Mathieu Carriere, Hanns Zischler. From Film Chest Media Group.

SPECIAL INTEREST:

- **"Billy Crystal 700 Sundays"**: (2014) HBO comedy special based on Billy Crystal's award-winning, smash-hit, one-man Broadway show. Spanning several decades beginning in the 1950s, Crystal reminisces about what it was like growing up in a loving Jewish family in Long Beach, NY. He recalls the numerous eclectic relatives who inspired him; the huge influence of jazz on his family (his father ran an iconic record store in Manhattan, and his uncle was a Hall of Fame producer); his passion for the New York Yankees and, especially, Mickey Mantle; the impact of his father's sudden and unexpected death on the teenaged Crystal and his mother; and finally, his emergence from grief to pursue his dream of becoming a comedian -- a dream made possible by the support of his family and his wife. From HBO.
- **"Crazysexycool: The TLC Story"**: (2014) KeKe Palmer, Lil Mama, Drew Sidora.

