

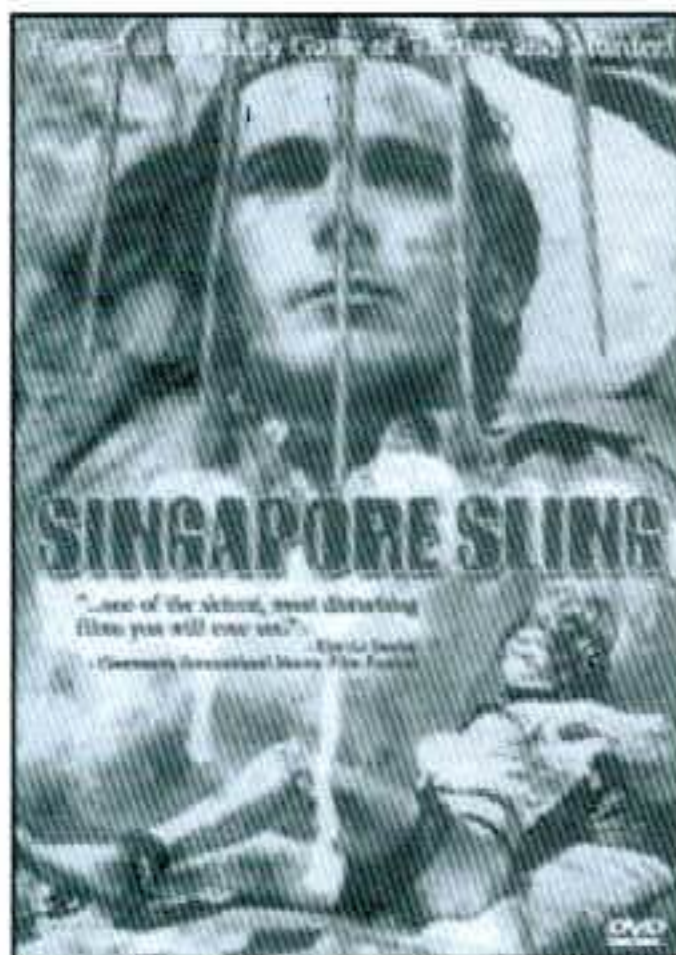
Russ Meyer's *Beyond the Valley of the Dolls* was one of the most requested titles in the vault at 20th Century Fox. Although it has been available as an import, the U.S. edition is a 2 disc set, and is loaded with plenty of extras. Disc one contains the feature film and two commentary tracks—one by *Dolls* co-writer Roger Ebert, and another by the film's cast. The 2nd disc contains screen tests, several featurettes and a psychedelic scrapbook!

TV Party was the brainchild of writer Glenn O' Brien, who turned his Manhattan access cable show into a gathering place for some of New York's best new wave/avant garde acts. Co-hosted by Blondie's Chris Stein, the guests on this "best of" documentary include Debbie Harry, Robert Fripp, Klaus Nomi, Mick Jones and Fab Five Freddy. Certainly worth a look, if nothing else. Find it at www.brinkfilm.com.



Music Video Distributors latest batch of DVD biographies showcase an eclectic mix of artists. Kate Bush, Captain Beefheart, The Velvet Underground, Syd Barrett and The Smiths are given the retrospective treatment in MVD's *Under Review* series. None of these discs were authorized by the artists, however, completists may want to check them out just to see some of the rare music videos and TV clips that pop up.

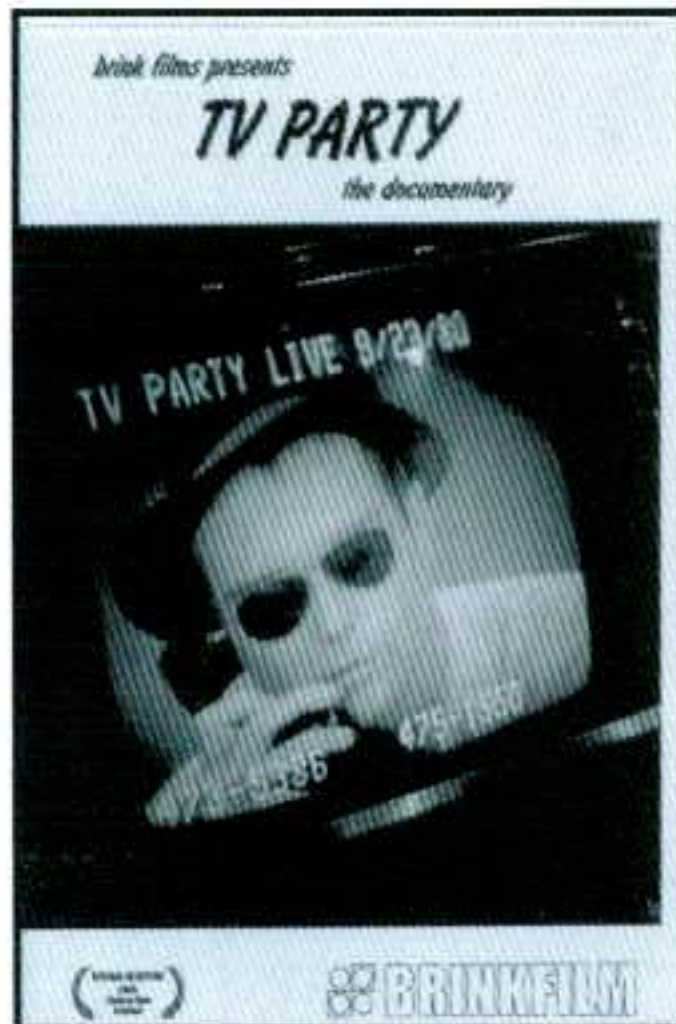
On 42nd Street Pete's list of the 13 Sleaziest Films in *Scream* #11, *Singapore Sling* was mentioned as not being available on DVD. I'm happy to report that is no longer the case. You can now find it from Synapse Films.



Bollywood films are notorious for copying U.S. blockbusters, but I thought it odd to see the Hindi take on The Pang Bros. *The Eye*. *Naina* mimics the film in every way.

If you're a junkie for 1960's TV, you won't want to pass up BCI's *Ultraman* Season One 3 disc box set. Purists will be happy to know that the programs (20 in all for season one) utilize the original Japanese language track (with English subtitles). For nostalgia buffs, the English dub audio is here too.

Cinema Sewer's *Retard-O-Tron DVD Mixtape* is certainly not something you'd want to play as background entertainment at a party (unless the crowd is composed of 17 year old boys). Most of what we see is for shock value. Some of it works, but nothing on this DVD is dull. Certainly "adults only" fare, the disc will make you think "I cannot believe what I just watched" more times than not. You can buy the actual disc for \$12.00, or download it for free! Find it at cinemasewer.com



A fitting tribute to *Famous Monsters of Filmland* creator Forry Ackerman can be found on *The Sci Fi Boys*, a fun documentary issued by Universal Pictures. Along with Forry, SF pioneers Ray Bradbury and Ray Harryhausen built the way for a new generation of imagi-filmmakers. Praises are sung by the men who carry the torch from the mighty three. Peter Jackson, John Landis, Roger Corman, Rick Baker and other known names in the field weigh in with accolades. There's a genuine love for these three men, all of which are in the twilight of their years and each still has a curious little boy lurking inside their hearts. Wonderful stuff!

