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## Press Release

Welcome Back to Critically-Acclaimed

### Portlandia

For the Second Season

Ten New Episodes of IFC's Acclaimed Comedy Series Available  
September 25<sup>th</sup> on Blu-ray™ and DVD

LOS ANGELES, CA – Video Services Corp. (VSC) will release IFC's hit original comedy series, *Portlandia Season Two*, on Blu-ray™ and DVD on September 25, 2012. The Peabody<sup>®</sup> award-winning and critically acclaimed series that presents a romanticized and dreamy rendering of Portland, Oregon through the eyes of Fred and Carrie (Fred Armisen of *Saturday Night Live* and Carrie Brownstein from *Wild Flag* and *Sleater-Kinney*) has been heralded as "hilariously offbeat" and an "astute comedy" by *Entertainment Weekly*, and "[a show] you shouldn't miss" by *The Hollywood Reporter*. Season Two is packed with new characters and special guest stars and the release has loads of extras not seen anywhere else.

Some of *Portlandia*'s most loved and notable characters from Season One return for Season Two including Portland's trusty but sometimes misguided Reggae bass playing Mayor (**Kyle MacLachlan**), Peter and Nance, an overly eco-conscious couple caught up in the organic and local food movement; Bryce Shivers and Lisa Eversman, an arty, obsessive couple who find a new trend to explore; and Toni and Candice, the former activist shopkeepers of the feminist bookstore *Women and Women First*.

New residents have also moved in for Season Two including Doug and Claire, a couple whose lives spin out of control when they run out of new episodes of "Battlestar Galactica" and a struggling band who finds itself with an all too enthusiastic fan.

This season new guest stars include **Jeff Goldblum**, **Sean Hayes**, **Penny Marshall**, **Jack McBrayer**, **Tim Robbins**, **Andy Samberg**, **Amber Tamblyn**, and **Kristen Wiig**, as well as musicians **Isaac Brock** (Modest Mouse), **Steve Jones** (Sex Pistols), **Johnny Marr** (The Smiths), **Joanna Newsom**, **St. Vincent** and **Eddie Vedder**.

Bonus features include behind-the-scenes *Portlandia* Live tour footage,

creator commentaries, a bonus feminist bookstore scene, "Brunch Village: The Director's Cut," an excerpt from the new book *Portlandia: A Guide for Visitors* and the "Inside *Portlandia*" documentary special. A two-pack of Seasons One and Two is also available at an SRP of \$29.95 through Video Services Corp.

Shot entirely on location in Portland, Oregon, the series is directed, co--created and co-written by Jonathan Krisel and executive produced by Lorne

Michaels and Broadway Video.

### **About VSC**

Founded in 1993 by former rock critic Jonathan Gross, Video Services Corp. is a leading independent film distributor with offices in Toronto and Los Angeles. With a vast catalogue strong in television, sports and comedy, some of VSC's releases include *Corner Gas*, *The WHA Chronicles*, *Comedy Now! Starring Russell Peters* and "Spectacle: Elvis Costello With..." VSC is restoring the classic 1964 film *Black Like Me* for a 2012 release on DVD. VSC also owns the e-commerce websites [sportonvideo.com](http://sportonvideo.com), [laffstock.com](http://laffstock.com) and [jewishflicks.com](http://jewishflicks.com).

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