



FEBRUARY, 2020 TOP 40 LVCA RECOMMENDED NEW DVD AND DVD-R RELEASES

Part One: The following dvds are under consideration as future LVCA dvd donations to a Ligonier, Pennsylvania library.

Recommended New Releases of February 4, 2020:

1. Baishe: Yuanqi (White Snake) China 2019 color 99'

subtitled feature animation fantasy

Co-Directors: Amp Wong a.k.a. Jiakang Huang and Ji Zhao a GKids dvd release suitable for teens and adults

2. Looney Tunes: Parodies Collection United States 1936-2004 color 169' total Contents: 19 short animations, plus one television animated special, plus one oddity

Short Animations

A. I Love To Singa 1936 8' Director: Fred "Tex" Avery

B. Hollywood Steps Out 1941 8' Director: Fred "Tex" Avery

C. Super-Rabbit 1943 8' Director: Chuck Jones

D. Jack-Wabbit and the Bean Stalk 1943 7' Director: Isadore "Friz" Freleng

E. Little Red Riding Rabbit 1944 7' Director: Isadore "Friz" Freleng

F. Rabbit Hood 1949 8' Director: Chuck Jones

G. Rabbit of Seville 1950 7' Director: Chuck Jones
 H. Rabbitson Crusoe 1955 7' Director: Isadore "Friz" Freleng
 I. What's Opera, Doc? 1957 7' Director: Chuck Jones
 J. Apes of Wrath 1959 7' Director: Isadore "Friz" Freleng
 K. The Duxorcist 1987 8' Co-Directors: Greg Ford and Terry Lennon Rated G.
 L. Invasion of the Bunny Snatchers 1992 12' Co-Directors: Greg Ford and Terry Lennon
 M. Chariots of Fur 1994 6' Director: Chuck Jones Rated G.
 N. Carrotblanca 1995 8' Director: Douglas McCarthy Rated G.
 O. From Hare To Eternity 1996 7' Director: Chuck Jones Rated G.
 P. Pullet Surprise 1997 7' Director: Darrell Van Citters Rated G.
 Q. Little Go Beep 2000 8' Director: Spike Brandt Rated G.
 R. Hare and Loathing in Las Vegas 2004 6' Co-Directors: Bill Kopp and Peter Shin Rated G.

Oddity:

Hare-Abian Nights 1959 7' Co-Directors: Ken Harris, Isadore "Friz" Freleng, and Chuck Davis

plus How Bugs Bunny Won the West TV Special 1976 color 30' Co-Directors: Jim Davis, Hal Geer, Isadore "Friz" Freleng, Chuck Jones, and Robert McKimson
 a Warner Brothers Home Entertainment dvd release All shorts are suitable viewing for teens and adults except those indicated as rated G for all ages.

3. Meu país (My Country) Brazil / Italy 2011 color 90'
 subtitled live action feature drama Director: Andre Ristum
 a Widowmaker Films dvd release adult viewing

Recommended New Releases of February 11, 2020:

1. La barraca (The Land Parcel) Mexico 1945 black-and-white 110'
 subtitled live action feature drama Director: Roberto Gavaldon
 a Music Video Distributors dvd release adult viewing
 2. Making Waves United States 2019 color 94'
 live action feature documentary Director: Midge Costin
 a Gravitas Ventures dvd release suitable for teens and adults
 3. Pearl Diver United States 2004 color 95' live action feature drama
 Director: Sidney King with Joey Honsa a Bayview Films Region 0 dvd release

adult viewing

4. The Tin Star United States 1957 black-and-white 92'

live action feature western Director: Anthony Mann with Henry Fonda, Anthony Perkins, Betsy Palmer, Neville Brand, and Lee Van Cleef

a Paramount Pictures Home Video dvd release adult viewing

5. The Truth About Marriage United States / Brazil / Spain / United Kingdom

2018 color 82' live action feature documentary Director: Roger Nygard

a Gravitas Ventures dvd release adult viewing

Recommended New Releases of February 18, 2020:

1. Accident United Kingdom 1967 color 105' live action feature drama

**Director: Joseph Losey with Dirk Bogarde, Michael York, and Vivien Merchant
written by Harold Pinter a Kino Lorber Studio Classics dvd release**

adult viewing

2. A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood United States 2019 color 108'

live action feature drama Director: Marielle Heller with Tom Hanks

a Sony Pictures Home Entertainment dvd release Rated PG.

Strongly recommended by Kino Ken.

3. Is Anybody Listening? United States 2014 color 51'

live action feature documentary Director: Mark Harris

a Music Video Distributors dvd release adult viewing

4. 10E United States 2019 color 94' live action feature comedy

Director: Vahik Pirhamzei a Gravitas Ventures dvd release adult viewing

5. Torchlighters: The St. Patrick Story United States 2020 color 30'

short animation biopic Director: Robert Fernandez

a Jax Distribution dvd release ages 8-12

Recommended New Releases of February 25, 2020:

1. Una familia das tantas (A Family Like Many Others) Mexico 1949

black-and-white 130' subtitled live action feature drama

Director: Alejandro Galindo a Music Video Distributors dvd release

adult viewing

2. Maya Deren Collection United States / Haiti 1943-1958; 1979

**black-and-white 208' total Contents: eight live action short films and
one live action feature documentary film involving Maya Deren**

- A. Meshes of the Afternoon** United States 1943 14'
 silent live action experimental short Co-Directors: Alexander Hammid and Maya Deren with Maya Deren
- B. At Land** United States 1944 15' silent live action experimental short
 Director: Maya Deren with John Cage
- C. A Study in Choreography for Camera** United States 1945 4'
 silent live action experimental short Director: Maya Deren
- D. Ritual in Transfigured Time** United States 1946 15'
 silent live action experimental short Director: Maya Deren with Anais Nin
- E. The Private Life of a Cat** United States 1946 22'
 silent live action short documentary Co-Directors: Alexander Hammid and Maya Deren
- F. Meditation on Violence** United States 1949 12'
 live action experimental sound short Director: Maya Deren with Maya Deren
- G. The Very Eye of Night** United States 1958 15'
 live action experimental sound short Director: Maya Deren
- H. Divine Horsemen: The Living Gods of Haiti** Haiti 1947-1951; 1979 52'
 live action feature sound documentary Co-Directors: Maya Deren, Teiji Ito, and Cherel Ito
 a Kino Lorber dvd set release adult viewing
- 3. Pupille (In Safe Hands)** France 2018 color 107'
 subtitled live action feature drama Director: Jeanne Henry
 an Icarus Films dvd release adult viewing
- 4. Quai des orfèvres (Quay of the Goldsmiths a.k.a. Jenny Lamour)** France 1947 black-and-white 107' subtitled live action feature drama
 Director: Henri-Georges Clouzot with Louis Jouvet
 a Kino Lorber Studio Classics dvd release adult viewing
- 5. Three Fabulous Journeys by Karel Zeman** Czechoslovakia 1946-1962
 black-and-white and color 248' total = 4 hours, 8 minutes total Contents:
 three subtitled feature fantasy pixilations and four short fantasy pixilations
 directed by Karel Zeman three-dvd set
 Features:
- A. Cesta do pravěku (A Journey To the Beginning of Time)** Czechoslovakia 1955 color 83 minutes suitable for ages eight and up
- B. Vynález zkázy (An Invention for Destruction)** Czechoslovakia 1958

black-and-white 83 minutes suitable for teens and adults

C. Baron Prásil (The Fabulous Baron Munchausen) Czechoslovakia 1962

black-and-white and color 83 minutes suitable for teens and adults

Shorts:

A. Vánocní sen (A Christmas Dream) Czechoslovakia 1945 8'

black-and-white wordless all ages

B. Podkova pro stestí (A Horseshoe for Luck) Czechoslovakia 1946

**black-and-white 4' wordless the first film in the nine-film Mr. Prokoup series
all ages**

**C. Inspirace (Inspiration) Czechoslovakia 1949 color 11' partly subtitled
ages eight and up**

D. Král Lávro (King Lavra) Czechoslovakia 1950 color 30' subtitled

**Bonus: Film Adventurer: Karel Zeman Czechoslovakia / Japan / France /
United Kingdom 2015 color 102'**

partly subtitled live action / pixilation feature documentary

Director: Tomáš Hodan a Criterion Collection dvd set release

suitable viewing for teens and adults

Part Two: Other Recommended New DVD and DVD-R Releases

Other Recommended New Releases of February 4, 2020:

1. Atomic: A History of the A-Bomb United States / Japan 2019 color 51'

live action feature documentary Director: Kim Harrington

an Alliance Entertainment dvd release suitable for teens and adults

2. The Good Liar Germany / United Kingdom 2019 color 109'

subtitled live action feature crime drama Director: Bill Condon

with Helen Mirren and Ian McKellen a New Line Cinema dvd release Rated R.

3. Hiro's Table United States, 2002-2018 color 55'

live action feature documentary Director: Lynn Hamrick

a Gravitas Ventures dvd release suitable for teens and adults

4. NOVA®: Decoding Da Vinci Italy 2019 color 53'

live action feature documentary in English Director: Jay Sanders

a PBS Direct dvd release Rated TV-PG.

5. Sisu United States / Iceland 2019 color 55'

**live action feature documentary Director: Jon Mercer
a Gravitas Ventures dvd release adult viewing**

Other Recommended New Releases of February 11, 2020:

- 1. Akkammana Bhagya (Akkamma's Fate) India 2017 color 116'
subtitled live action feature drama Director: C. V. Nandeeshwar
a Shami Productions dvd Region 0 release adult viewing**
- 2. AMERICAN EXPERIENCE®: McCarthy United States 2018
black-and-white and color 120' live action feature documentary
Director: Sharon Grimberg a PBS Direct dvd release adult viewing**
- 3. Ghost Fleet Indonesia 2018 color 90'
subtitled live action feature documentary Co-Directors: Shannon Service and
Jeffrey Walden an Allied Vaughan dvd release adult viewing**
- 4. Make America Laugh Again a.k.a. Make Me Laugh United States 2018 color
84' live action feature comedy documentary Director: Sam Chouia
a Gravitas Ventures dvd release adult viewing**
- 5. NOVA®: The Violence Paradox United States 2019 color 120'
live action feature documentary Co-Directors: Michael Bicks,
Anna Lee Strachan, and Rob Tinworth a PBS Direct dvd release Rated TV-G.**
- 6. Paraguay, droga y banana (Paraguay: Drugs and Banana) Paraguay 2016
color 90' subtitled live action feature documentary
Director: Juan Manuel Salinas Aguirre a Widowmaker Films dvd release
adult viewing**
- 7. West No More United States 2020 color 72'
live action feature documentary Director: Riley Hanlon
a Gravitas Ventures dvd release adult viewing**

Other Recommended New Releases of February 18, 2020:

- 1. The Divine Plan United States 2019 color 80'
live action feature documentary Director: Robert Orlando
a Jax Distribution dvd release suitable for teens and adults**
- 2. Jojo Rabbit Czech Republic 2019 color 108'
live action feature black comedy Director: Taika Waititi
with Scarlett Johansson, Roman Griffin Davis, Thomasin McKenzie, and
Taika Waititi a Fox Searchlight Pictures dvd release Rated PG-13.**

3. NOVA®: Animal Espionage Canada / India / South Africa 2019 color 60'
live action feature documentary Director: Scott Harper
a PBS Direct dvd release Rated TV-PG.

4. Out of the Box Philippines / Taiwan / Vietnam / Malaysia / Indonesia / China
/ United States 2020 color 60' live action feature documentary
Director: Amit Tripuraneni a Gravitas Ventures dvd release adult viewing

Other Recommended New Releases of February 25, 2020:

1. After Parkland United States 2019 color 92'
live action feature documentary Co-Directors: Emily Taguchi and
Jake Lefferman a Kino Lorber dvd release adult viewing

2. All These Flowers Canada / United States 2017 color 84'
live action feature documentary Director: Kevin Bryce
a Wild Eye Releasing dvd release adult viewing

3. 50 Summers United States 2018 color 92'
live action feature baseball documentary Director: Dan Napoli
a Gravitas Ventures dvd release suitable for teens and adults

4. Knives Out United States 2019 color 130' live action feature comedy
Director: Rian Johnson with Michael Shannon, Jamie Lee Curtis,
Christopher Plummer, Frank Oz, Toni Collette, and Daniel Craig
a Lionsgate dvd release Rated PG-13.

5. The Lonely Man United States 1957 black-and-white 87'
live action feature Western drama Director: Henry Levin
with Anthony Perkins, Jack Palance, Tennessee Ernie Ford, and Neville Brand
a Paramount Home Video dvd release adult viewing

6. The Odd Couple United States 1968 color 105'
live action feature comedy Director: Gene Saks with Jack Lemmon and
Walter Matthau a Paramount Home Video dvd release Rated G.
Highly recommended by Kino Ken.