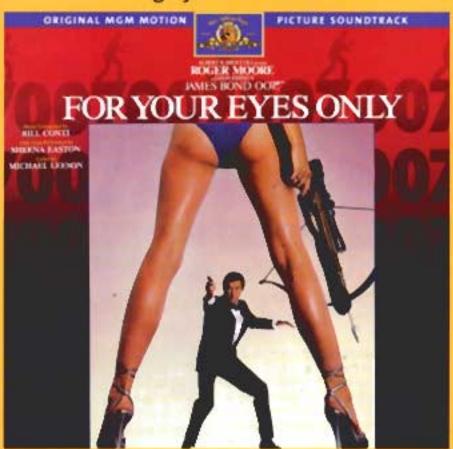


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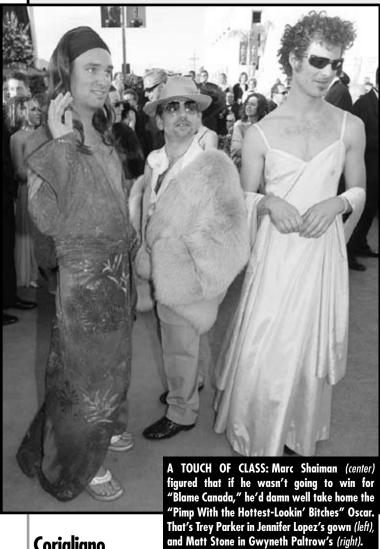
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Corigliano Corrals the Oscar

n a race for the Oscar that was up for grabs, John Corigliano won the coveted statuette for his acclaimed score to The Red Violin. Primarily a concert composer, he pointed out the difference between the two mediums when he accepted his award: "When I write symphonies and concertos it's a very lonely profession. One of the things I've learned about film writing is how communal it is." Corigliano was nominated for an Academy Award once before, for 1980's Altered States.

There is an old saying in Hollywood: the best way to get nominated for an Academy Award is to already have won one.

—anonymous

Newman Wins BAFTA

hose who think Thomas Newman should have won the Oscar for his score to American Beauty may find some consolation in his winning the Anthony Asquith Award for Achievement in Film Music at the BAFTA Awards ceremony April 9 in Cardiff, Wales. The film's director Sam Mendes accepted on Newman's behalf.

SLEEPY HOLLOW Heads Saturn Nominations

■im Burton's Sleepy Hollow led this year's Saturn Award hopefuls with 11 nominations, while Star Wars Episode 1: The Phantom Menace and Galaxy Quest tied for second with 10 apiece. The awards, presented by the Academy of Science Fiction, Fantasy & Horror Films to recognize excellence in genre films and television, will be presented in June in Los Angeles.

Best Music

Danny Elfman, Sleepy Hollow Jerry Goldsmith, The Mummy David Newman. Galaxy Quest Randy Newman, Toy Story 2 Thomas Newman, The Green Mile Michael Nyman & Damon Albarn, Ravenous

CTS Wembley Studio Closes

TS Studios will close the doors to its legendary Wembley studio on June of this vear due to the construction at Wembley Stadium, which has made recording impossible. CTS' sister facility in Lansdowne will be available to clients who already have projects underway.

The CTS studios have been around for 44 years, and the Wembley facility has been the recording studio for dozens of high-profile film projects, including, recently, The Cider House Rules, Shakespeare in Love, Four Weddings and a Funeral and The Full Monty-not to mention many classic James Bond soundtracks.

So Good We Ran It Twice

You may have noticed that in last month's George Duning tribute/ obituary we ran the first part of the article twice instead of running the full story once. Sorry. Here's what we meant to print:

George Duning: 1908-2000

eorge Duning, the man responsible for the sound of some of Columbia Pictures' top films of the 1950s, died Sunday, February 27, at Alvarado Hospital in San Diego. He was 92.

Duning's most celebrated score was for Joshua Logan's 1955 film, Picnic. The music he wrote captures perfectly the inner turmoil of the handsome drifter Hal Carter (William Holden) and the unsettling effect his arrival has on the women of a small Kansas town. Picnic is best remembered for its famous dance scene, in which Carter and Madge Owens (Kim Novak) first acknowledge their mutual attraction. Through stunning use of counterpoint, Duning blended the '30s tune "Moonglow" with his own Picnic love theme to create an indelibly romantic '50s screen moment. In a 1996 interview, Duning recalled that it took him "four or five days" to work out the sequence. "And after all these years," he added, "that number still turns up on my ASCAP statement." For Picnic, Duning received a Down Beat magazine award and the fourth of five Academy Award nominations. His other Oscar nominations were for Jolson $Sings\ Again\ (1949), No\ Sad$ Songs for Me (1950), From Here to Eternity (1953) and The Eddy Duchin Story (1956).

Duning was born in Richmond, Indiana, on February 25, 1908. He studied theory at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and was a composition pupil of Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco.

Early on, he worked as musical director for the radio show Kay Kyser's Kollege of Musical Knowledge. He served as musical arranger for several of Kyser's films, the last of which, Carolina Blues, was made at Columbia. The studio signed him as an arranger, but his time there was interrupted by naval service during World War II.

After the war, Duning returned to Columbia as an arranger. But he had not forgotten the impact that Max Steiner's score for The Informer had made on him years earlier, and he was eager to compose a score of his own. Columbia gave him his first chance with Johnny O'Clock (1947). He staved on at the studio for 16 years, turning out more than 100 scores. Sometimes he worked on as many as nine or 10 films a year. Among Duning's other well-known scores are Lorna Doone (1951), Salome (1953), Miss Sadie Thompson (1953), The Long Grav Line (1955). Queen Bee (1955), 3:10 to Yuma (1957), Jeanne Eagles (1957), Bell, Book and Candle (1958) and The World of Suzie Wong (1960).

Transition to Television

In the 1960s, Duning worked extensively in television, writing scores for numerous series, including several tremendously lyrical scores for "Star Trek," as well as "The Big Valley" (for which he composed a memorable western theme) and "Mannix." In later years, he composed occasional songs and a work for clarinet and chamber ensemble called *Clariflections*, which was performed at the Indiana Music Festival.

A modest man, Duning refrained from talking much about his own work, often pointing to Hugo Friedhofer's score for *The Best Years of Our Lives* as one of the finest pieces of film music he knew. But Duning will be remembered, not only for Holden and Novak's twilight dance, but for a wide range of scores that served their films nobly. —Brian Kellow

Record Label Round-Up

Aleph

Due in May is a new recording of *The Fox* (1968), which Schifrin conducted in London. Forthcoming but without a date is *Bullitt*, featuring previously unreleased material, and *Voyage of the Damned* (Schifrin).

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Angel/EMI

Elmer Bernstein's guitar concerto is scheduled for release August 1; soloist is Christopher Parkening.

Arabesque

Due in May is Reel Life: The Private Music of Film Composers, Volume 1, a new recording of chamber music by film composers. Featured are Michael Kamen, Rachel Portman, Howard Shore, David Raksin, Bob James and Bruce Broughton; the CD is produced by composer Michael Whalen. (See sidebar, page 9.)

Artemis

The Film Themes of Ernest Gold, the first reissue on CD of the classic 1963 Decca recording with the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by the composer is now available.

Order direct from Artemis Records, (16 Manor Close, Baston Peterborough, PE6 9PH, UK; Tel/ Fax +44 (0) 1778 560 511; E-mail: arts-associates@netlineuk.net) and through the usual outlets.

BBC Music

A third CD has been added to the forthcoming Doctor Who CD series. The series will now consist of: Doctor Who at the BBC Radiophonic Workshop, Volume One: The Early Years; Volume Two: New Beginning; and Volume Three: The Leisure Hive. http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/Mark_Ayres/NewStuff.htm

BMG

Forthcoming is *Advise and Consent* (Jerry Fielding).

Brigham Young University Forthcoming are *The Adventures* of *Don Juan* and *King Richard* and the Crusaders.

Chapter III

Chapter III is releasing the complete score to David Arnold's *Tomorrow Never Dies*. The label will also be reissuing on CD a number of MGM Records titles, including many previously avail-



FSM Classics

n case you didn't notice, this month's CD release is anotheroft-requested cultsci-fic classic of the '70s: Beneath the Planet of the Apes is Leonard Rosenman's first foray to the world where apesevolved from men—and what a wonderfully wild, mind-blowing experience it is.

This score was previously available as an odd concept LP: It featured about 26 minutes of rock-infused re-recordings by Rosenman and a lot of dialogue and sound effects. Our release debuts the original score tracks as heard in the film (in stereo!) plus electronic effects that Rosenman composed for the film, and the original LP tracks for good measure. Completists, rejoice!

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able only on vinyl. Due May 16 in this series are *The Dirty Dozen* (Frank De Vol), *The Last Run/Wild Rovers* (Jerry Goldsmith) and *Logan's Run/Coma* (Goldsmith).

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Cinephile

Due in July is *Bloomfield* (Johnny Harris).

Cinesoundz

Due in June is an Ennio Morricone remix CD (various artists, including Rockers HiFi, Pizzicato Five and Nightmares On Wax). Due in July is the soundtrack to the German film *In July*, featuring The Cowboy Junkies & Brooklyn Funk Essentials.

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Citadel

Forthcoming is *Judas Kiss* (Christopher Young).

CPO

Forthcoming is a new recording of Benjamin Frankel's score to *Battle of the Bulge*.

Decca

Forthcoming is *Jaws* (John Williams), see *FSM* Vol. 5, No. 1 for more details.

East Side Digital

Forthcoming but without a date is a CD of *Tron*. www.wendycarlos.com

EMI

Forthcoming are reissues of all the EMI-controlled James Bond soundtracks: Dr. No, From Russia with Love, Goldfinger, Thunderball, You Only Live Twice, On Her Majesty's Secret Service, Diamonds Are Forever. Live and Let Die, The Man With the Golden Gun, The Spy Who Loved Me, Moonraker and presumably A View to a Kill. The titles will be newly mastered and released with better packaging; however, there is no information as to previously unreleased music.

Fanderson

The official Gerry Anderson fan club has just issued a 2-CD set of Derek Wadsworth's music for the second season of the *Space 1999* TV series. This new release has been produced using the original multi-track stereo masters and has been approved by the composer. Note: You must first join the fan club in order to obtain this release, and members are limited to five copies.

www.kikgraphics.demon.co.uk/ fanderson.html

GDI/Hammer

Forthcoming are the first-ever release of Gerard Schurmann's complete score to *The Lost Continent* as well as *Taste of the Blood of Dracula* and *The Devil Rides Out* (both by James Bernard).

GNP/Crescendo

Godzilla 2000: Millenium (Japanese production) is set for a spring/summer release. Forthcoming is a second *Best of* Star Trek Volume II TV collection, featuring episode scores "All Good Things..." (TNG, Dennis McCarthy), "Way of the Warrior" (DS9, McCarthy), "Bride of Chaotica" (Voyager, David Bell), and a Fred Steiner suite featuring music from classic episodes, "The Corbomite Maneuver," "Balance of Terror" and "What Are Little Girls Made Of."

Hollywood

May 9: *Mission Impossible 2* (Hans Zimmer). Forthcoming is *Keeping the Faith* (Elmer Bernstein).

Intrada

Due in June is Elia Cmiral's score to *The Last Express* computer game. Forthcoming is a commercial release of *The Ballad of Lucy Whipple* (Bruce Broughton) and a promotional release of *Jaws 4: The Revenge* (Michael Small).

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Marco Polo

Due in June in John Morgan and William Stromberg's series

of new recordings are a Roy Webb CD featuring music for Val Lewton films (The Cat People, I Walked With a Zombie, Bedlam, The Seventh Victim, The Body Snatcher); and a more complete recording of Ghost of Frankenstein (Hans J. Salter), filled out with cues from Man-Made Monster and Black Friday, and all of the original music composed for Sherlock Holmes and the Voice of Terror (Frank Skinner).

Planned for later in 2000 are *The Treasure of Sierra Madre* (Max Steiner) and *Objective Burma* (Franz Waxman).

Morgan and Stromberg's next recordings will take place in April in Moscow: A Malcolm Arnold CD of Roots of Heaven and David Copperfield (Roots of Heaven will include a few cues by Alfred Newman based on Arnold's material); and a Max Steiner CD of The Most Dangerous Game and Son of Kong.

Forthcoming from Swiss producer/conductor Adriano: Georges Auric: Suites From Lola Montez, Notre-Dame de Paris, Farandole; and Suites Rififi, La Symphonie Pastorale, Le Salaire de la Peur; and Dmitri Shostakovich: The Fall of Berlin (complete original version), with suite From The Memorable Year 1917.

Milan

Coming May 16: Passion of Mind (Randy Edelman) and Sunshine (Maurice Jarre).

Monstrous Movie Music

This label—dedicated to rerecording classic genre film music—has three new albums forthcoming. The third remain a secret, but the first two will feature: Mighty Joe Young (1949, Roy Webb); Creature From the Black Lagoon (1954, containing all the previously unreleased cues by a variety of composers—Salter, Mancini, Stein, et al.—for a "kinder, gentler" Creature suite); 20 Million Miles to Earth (1957, Columbia "library" score by Raksin, Steiner, Duning, others);

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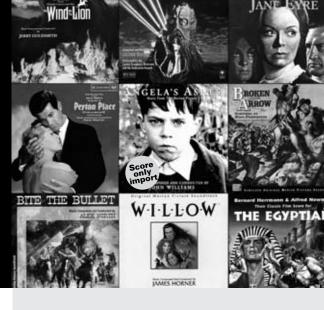


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GOLDSMITH RUSH

We've got more details on the upcoming Jerry Goldsmith/ London Symphony Orchestra concerts on May 22 and 23 at London's Barbican Centre. The first concert will feature a mix of scores by Goldsmith (Star Trek: First Contact, Medley of Motion Picture Themes, The Boys From Brazil, Rudy, The Generals (Patton and Macarthur), Under Fire, Islands in the Stream and Forever Young) and other composers, (Franz Waxman's The Spirit of St. Louis, Alfred Newman's All About Eve, Miklos Rozsa's Ben Hur and Alex North's Viva Zapata.

The second show will focus just on Goldsmith's work for science fiction and fantasy—starting with music from his four *Star Trek* film scores, and his TV theme for *Star Trek*: *Voyager*, and continuing with

cues from Capricorn One, Alien, Twilight Zone: The Movie, The Mummy, Total Recall and Powder.

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June 23, "Gala Concert Tribute to John Williams"—Williams to receive the Hollywood Bowl Hall of Fame Award. July 8, John Mauceri's 200th concert with the Hollywood Bowl Orchestra.

July 13 & 15, "Roman Holiday: A Festival of Italian Film Music."

September 22, "Hollywood Bowl Movie Night."

May 5, Chico, Paradise, S.O.; *Magnificent Seven* (Bernstein).

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Florida

May 24-26, Miami S.O.; "Symphonic Night at the Movies."

Massachusetts

June 2 & 3, Boston Pops S.O.;

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with soloist Yo Yo Ma for PBS
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The Red Pony by Copland,
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White Dawn, The Thorn Birds,
Victor/Victoria, Songs for
Audrey.

New York

May 25, Kingsborough Community College S.O.; "Nathaniel the Trumpeter" from *The Horn Blows at Midnight* (Waxman).

Texas

June 9, 10, Fort Worth S.O.; Lawrence of Arabia (Jarre), Dances With Wolves (Barry), Shakespeare in Love (Warbeck).

June 16-17, Fort Worth S.O.; Star Trek TMP (Goldsmith).

West Virginia

May 22, Wheeling S.O.; Gettysburg (Edelman).

Japan

August 6, Osaka S.O.; Mission Impossible (Schifrin), Murder on the Orient Express (Bennett), Victor Young medley, The Godfather (Rota), How the West Was Won (Newman), "Moon River" from Breakfast at Tiffany's (Mancini).

Poland

May 25, Warsaw S.O.;
Elmer Bernstein conducts
with guest soloist Chuck
Mangione: The Great Escape,
Hawaii, The Sons of Katie
Elder, To Kill A Mockingbird,
Toccata for Toy Trains, The
Ten Commandments, The Age
of Innocence, Man With the
Golden Arm, A Walk on the
Wild Side, The Magnificent
Seven.

Wales

July 22, Cardiff S.O.; The Magnificent Seven, The Ten Commandments (Bernstein), King Kong (Steiner), Rear Window (Waxman), Around the World in 80 Days (Young).

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THE SECRET LIFE OF FILM COMPOSERS

hat do film composers do in their spare time? If you've always been haunted by that question, you may find an upcoming CD from Arabesque of interest. No, it doesn't contain sound files of composers walking along the beach or playing squash—it's Reel Life: The Private Music of Film Composers Volume 1, and it's a collection of nearly 70 minutes of newly recorded chamber music performed by Music Amici, a freelance chamber ensemble made up of some of the best musicians in New York City.

The album features works

by Bob James, Howard Shore, Michael Kamen, Rachel Portman, Bruce Broughton and David Raksin. James contributes "Odyssey," a piece for flute and piano; Howard Shore is represented by "Piano Four" and "Hughie" (a moody, pulsating work for bass flute, english horn, bass clarinet, bass trombone, violin and piano); Michael Kamen provides "Cut Sleeves," a beautifully lyrical work for flute, oboe, cello and harp; Rachel Portman is represented by "Rhapsody" for violin, clarinet and piano and the piano solo "For Julian"; Bruce Broughton contributes the complex and lengthy, five-







Howard Shore, Michael Kamen and Rachel Portman are among the composers represented on Arabesque's Reel Life album.

part "A Primer for Malachi," written for flute, clarinet, cello and piano; and legendary composer David Raksin is featured with his "A Song After Sundown" for clarinet, violins, viola and cello, based on a melody Raksin wrote for the 1961 John Cassavetes feature *Too Late Blues*.

The music ranges from

material (like the Raksin piece) inspired by the composers' film work to pure concert pieces (Shore's "Hughie" was composed specifically for the album). *Reel Life* was executive produced by Michael Whalen and Marvin Reiss and will be released in May on the Arabesque label.

Record Label Round-up

(continued from page 6)
Tarzan (1934-42, cues from
MGM productions by Axt, Snell,
Amfitheatrof, Stothart, Levy);
The Animal World (1956, Paul
Sawtell's music for the Ray
Harryhausen dinosaur sequence);
and The Alligator People (1959,
Irving Gertz, featuring electric
violin).

http://www.mmmrecordings.com

Pacific Time Entertainment

Sept.12: Ricky 6 (Joe Delia).

www.pactime co.com

Prometheus

Due early June is Sally Hemings: An American Scandal (Joel McNeely). Forthcoming is a limited edition CD from the Police Story pilot TV movie (Goldsmith).

Rykodisc

Due April 25 is For Your Eyes Only (Bill Conti, 1981), with previously unreleased music. Forthcoming but without dates are Bring Me the Head of Alfredo Garcia/The Killer Elite (Jerry Fielding, 1974/1975) and The World of Henry Orient (Elmer Bernstein, 1964), both in stereo.

Screen Archives Entertainment

SAE's forthcoming classic score restorations are *Pursued* (Max Steiner) and *The Court-Martial of Billy Mitchell* (Dimitri Tiomkin).

Contact Screen Archives Entertainment at PO Box 500, Linden VA 22642; ph: 540-635-2575; fax: 540-635-8554. www.screenarchives.com

Silva Screen

Due this summer is 2-CD Space and Beyond, Vol. 3, featuring the City of Prague Philharmonic Orchestra and the Crouch End Festival Chorus. This third edition will contain suites and themes from The Matrix, Robocop, Judge Dredd, Strange Invaders, Solar Crisis, The Cape and a complete recording of John Williams symphonic suite from Star Wars Episode I: The Phantom Menace.

Nic Raine will conduct the City of Prague Philharmonic and Crouch End Festival Chorus in a new recording of *Walkabout* (John Barry, 1971). As the complete score is only 25 minutes long, the album will be filled out with various other newly recorded Barry rarities.

Forthcoming is an expanded edition of *Escape From New York* (John Carpenter, original

soundtrack) as well as the label's fifth installment in its "Essential Film Music Collection" series, The Essential Maurice Jarre Film Music Collection. The 2-CD set will feature music from The Fixer, Red Sun, Enemy Mine, The Night of the Generals and Topaz.

Sony Classical

Slated for a spring release are Love's Labours Lost (Patrick Doyle) and Journey of Man—Cirque du Soleil (Benoit Jutras). Sony is working on a third edition of Dances With Wolves (John Barry, 1990), this time to feature previously unreleased music including the film version of "The Buffalo Hunt."

www.sonyclassical.com/music/ soundtracks_idx.html

Super Collector

Forthcoming is *Flash Gordon* (Howard Blake)—it is undecided whether this will be a promotional or commercial release.
Forthcoming from Super Tracks is a reissue of *High Road to China* (John Barry) featuring previously unreleased music; this was previously available only as a high-priced limited edition from SCSE.

www.supercollector.com

Telarc

Due May 30 is Mega Movies, from Erich Kunzel and the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra. It features music and sound effects from The Mummy, The Mask of Zorro, The Rock, Air Force One, L.A. Confidential, The X-Files and more.www.telarc.com

Varèse Sarabande

Due May 2: Battlefield Earth (Elia Cmiral), I Dreamed of Africa (Maurice Jarre) and Up at the Villa (Pino Donaggio). May 9: Wonder Boys (Christopher Young) and Hamlet (Carter Burwell). May 16: 28 Days (various artists and score selects from Richard Gibbs) and The Big Kahuna (Young). May 23: Xena: Warrior Princess—Lyre, Lyre, Hearts on Fire (Joseph LoDuca) and Running Free (Nicola Piovani).

Walt Disney Records

Due May 2, is the score-only CD for *Dinosaur* (James Newton Howard).

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Screen Archives (540-635-2575),
Intrada (510-336-1612), STAR (717-656-0121), Footlight Records (212-533-1572) and Super Collector (714-636-8700) in this country.

Upcoming Assignments

Eric Allaman Breakfast With Einstein, The Last Act, Is That All There Is? One Kill (Anne Heche. Eric Stoltz).

John Altman Beautiful Joe, Town and Country (Warren Beatly), Vendetta (HBO, d. Nicholas Meyer).

BT Under Suspicion.

Angelo Badalamenti Birthday Girl, A
Story of a Bad Boy (co-composed with
Chris Hajian), Forever Mine.

Rick Baitz *Life Afterlife* (HBO feature documentary).

Lesley Barber You Can Count on Me, History of Luminous Motion. Nathan Barr Hair Shirt (Neve Campbell),

Hangman's Daughter, Red Dirt.
Tyler Bates Beyond City Limits.
Christophe Beck Broken Hearts Club,

Cheer Fever, Coming Soon (Mia Farrow).

Marco Beltrami Squelch (d. John Dahl), The

Crow 3: Salvation, Texas Rangers.
Peter Bernstein Susan's Plan.

Edward Bilous *Minor Details, Mixing Mia*. Chris Boardman *Bruno* (d. Shirley MacLaine).

Simon Boswell *Alien Love Triangle, The Debtors* (Michael Caine, Randy Quaid).

Christopher Brady Castle in the Sky (Disney animated), Hal's Birthday.

Michael Brook Getting to Know You, Crime & Punishment in Suburbia, Tart. Paul Buckmaster Mean Street.

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Sam Cardin Olympic Glory, Return to the Secret Garden.

Wendy Carlos Woundings.

Gary Chang Locked in Silence (Showtime). Stanley Clarke Marciano.

George S. Clinton Sordid Lives.

Elia Cmiral Battlefield Earth, The Wishing Tree (Showtime), Six Pack (French).

Serge Colbert Red Tide (Casper Van Dien).

Michel Colombier Dark Symmer Press and

Michel Colombier Dark Summer, Pros and Cons, Foolproof.

Eric Colvin Model Behavior.

Bill Conti Inferno (Jean-Claude Van Damme). Stewart Copeland Made Men (independent), Sunset Strip.

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Jeff Danna Boondock Saints, O (modernday telling of **Othello**).

Carl Davis *The Great Gatsby* (A&E). Loran Alan Davis *The Last Prediction* (independent). John Debney *Relative Values*. Joe Delia *Tao of Steve, Time Served, Ricky 6, Fever*.

Pino Donaggio *Up in the Villa* (Kristin Scott-Thomas).

Patrick Doyle Love's Labours Lost (Kenneth Branagh, musical comedy).

Anne Dudley *Monkeybone, The Bacchae.* Randy Edelman *The Gelfin, Passion of Mind.*

Evan Evans *Tripfall* (Eric Roberts, John Ritter); Newsbreak (Michael Rooker, Judge Reinhold).

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Shayne Fair & Larry Herbstritt *Tequila* Bodyshot.

George Fenton Center Stage, Numbers (d. Nora Ephron, starring John Travolta); Chicago: The Musical (Charlize Theron, d. Nick Hytner).

Allyn Ferguson *Back to the Secret Garden* (German theatrical, Hallmark release).

David Findlay *Dead Silent* (Rob Lowe). Frank Fitzpatrick *Lani Loa* (Zoetrope).

Nathan Fleet First Time Caller (d. Alessandro Zavaglia, romantic comedy).

Ruy Folguera *Picking Up the Pieces* (Woody Allen, Sharon Stone).

David Michael Frank *The Last Patrol*. Rhys Fulver *Delivery*.

Craig Stuart Garfinkle Gabriella.
Richard Gibbs Big Momma's House, w/
Jonathan Davis (from the band Korn)
Queen of the Damned.

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Jerry Goldsmith *The Hollow Man* (d. Paul Verhoeven), *The Kid* (Bruce Willis, dir. John Turtletaub).

Joel Goodman Cherry (romantic comedy,

Shalom Harlow).

Adam Gorgoni Candyman 3: Day of the Dead, Extreme Alaska.

Mark Governor *Blindness* (d. Anna Chi). Stephen Graziano *Herman, U.S.A.* Harry Gregson-Williams *Earl Watt* (Pate Bros.).

Ed Grenga Catalina Trust (d. Will Conroy).

Andrew Gross Viva Las Nowhere (James Caan); Unglued (Linda Hamilton).

Larry Groupé Sleeping With the Lion, Four Second Delay, Peter York, The Contender (Joan Allen, Gary Oldman), Gentleman B.

Jay Gruska Belly Fruit.

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Richard Hartley Peter's Meteor, Mad About Mambo, Victory.

Chris Hajian Naked States (feature documentary), Raw Nerve, Yonkers Joe.
Todd Hayen The Crown, The Last Flight.
John Hills Abilene.

Peter Himmelman A Slipping-Down Life (Guy Pearce, Lili Taylor).

Lee Holdridge Family Plan (Leslie Nielsen), **No Other Country, Africa.**

James Horner The Grinch Who Stole Christmas (Jim Carrey).

Richard Horowitz Pavilion of Women.

James Newton Howard Dinosaurs (Disney animated).

Steven Hufsteter *Mascara*.

David Hughes & John Murphy *Chain of Fools, Mary Jane's Last Dance*.

Frank Ilfman *Intruder*.

Pat Irwin But I'm a Cheerleader.

Mark Isham Where the Money Is, The
Imposters (Miramax, d. Gary Fleder),
Navy Divers (Robert De Niro).

Adrian Johnston Old New Borrowed Blue, The House of Mirth (Gillian Anderson). Trevor Jones Frederic Wilde, 13 Days,

From Hell, The Long Run.

Benoit Jutras Journey of Man (IMAX).

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Jan A.P. Kaczmarek *Lost Souls*. Camara Kambon *2Gether, The White River Kid* (Antonio Banderas).

Michael Kamen X-Men (d. Bryan Singer).
Laura Karpman Annihilation of Fish.
Brian Keane The Babe Ruth Story (HBO).
Rolfe Kent Don't Go Breaking My Heart
(Anthony Edwards).

Gary Koftinoff Forgive Me Father.

Kenneth Lampl Fight the Good Fight (Burt Young, d. Bret Carr), Games Without Frontiers (John Mulcahy, d. David Knappe), The Tour (d. Tim Joyce).

Russ Landau *One Hell of a Guy, Waylon* & Buzz.

Brian Langsbard First of May (independent), Frozen (Trimark).

Daniel Lanois All the Pretty Horses.
Chris Lennertz Lured Innocence (Dennis
Hopper, Talia Shire), Pride of the Amazon
(animated musical).

Michael A. Levine *The End of the Road* (d. Keith Thomson), *The Lady With the Torch* (Glenn Close, d. David Heeley).

Christopher Libertino Spin the Bottle (d. Andrew Michael Pascal).

Daniel Licht Muhammid Ali biopic (HBO). Hal Lindes *Lucky 13*.

Frank London On the Run, Sancta
Mortale, The First Seven Years.
Martyn Love The Venus Factory (Australia).
John Lurie The Crew, Animal Factory.
Evan Lurie Happy Accidents, Joe Gould's

Secret, The Whole She-Bang.

Mader Row Your Boat, Claudine's Return, Morgan's Ferry (Kelly McGillis), Steal This Movie.

Hummie Mann Thomas the Tank Engine, Good Night Joseph Parker (Paul Sorvino), A Thing of Beauty, After the Rain

David Mansfield Songcatcher, The Gospel of Wonders (Mexico, d. Arturo Ripstein).

Lee Marchitelli *Iris Blonde* (Miramax).

Anthony Marinelli *Slow Burn* (Minnie Driver, James Spader), *Fifteen Minutes* (Robert De Niro, Ed Burns), *Time Code* 2000 (co-composed with dir. Mike Figgis).

Gary Marlowe Framed, Mondschatten (Moonlight Shadow, d. Robby Porschen).

Jeff Marsh Burning Down the House, Wind River (Karen Allen).

Phil Marshall Rupert's Land, Gotta Dance, Kiss Toledo Goodbye, Temptation. Brice Martin Down But Not Out: Living in

Chronic Pain, The Girls Room.
Cliff Martinez Wicked (d. Michael Steinberg).
John Massari 1947, Breathing Hard.

John McCarthy *Boy Meets Girl.* Stuart McDonald *Diaries of Darkness*.

THE HOT SHEET new assignments

Nathan Barr Venus and Mars (Disney)
Carter Burwell Before Night Falls
(Johnny Depp).

(Johnny Depp).

Don Davis Gabriel's Run (TV).

John Debney Jordan: To the Max
(Michael Jordan IMAX movie), The
Replacments (Keanu Reeves, Gene
Hackman), The Vertical Limit.

Patrick Doyle *Never Better*. Anne Dudley *The Body*.

Steve Edwards Cowboys and Angels, Luck of the Draw (Dennis Hopper).

Danny Elfman The Gift.
Claude Foisy 2000.1 A Space
Travesty (Leslie Nielsen).

James Newton Howard Atlantis
(Disney animated feature),
Unbreakable (Bruce Willis,
Julianne Moore), The Vertical
Limit (Chris O'Donnell).
Michael Kamen Frequency.
Deborah Mollison The Boys of Sunset
Ridge (indie feature).

Deborah Mollison The Boys of Suns Ridge (indie feature). Basil & Zoe Poledouris Cecil B. Demented (John Waters). Jeff Rona In the Crowd. Marc Shaiman One Night at McCool's, Getting Over Allison. Brian Tyler Panic (William Macy, Neve Campbell), Shadow Hours, Terror Tract.

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UPCOMING FILM ASSIGNMENTS

Mark McKenzie Dragonheart 2. Gigi Meroni The Good Life (Stallone, Hopper), The Others, The Last Big Attractions.

Cynthia Millar *Brown's Requiem*. Marcus Miller *Lady's Man*.

Randy Miller Picture of Priority (independent), Family Tree (Warner Bros.), Pirates of the Plain (Tim Curry).

Sheldon Mirowitz Say You'll Be Mine (Justine Bateman), Autumn Heart (Ally Sheedy), Legacy.

Fred Mollin *Pilgrim* (Tim Truman).

Deborah Mollison *East Is East* (British), *Simon Maaus* (Samuel Goldwyn), *The*

Simon Magus (Samuel Goldwyn), The Thing About Vince.

Ennio Morricone *Resident Evil* (d. George Romero). Tom Morse *Michael Angel*.

Mark Mothersbaugh Camouflage, Sugar & Spice (New Line), Rugrats 2, Rocky & Bullwinkle (Jason Alexander, Robert De Niro).

Jennie Muskett 100 Girls.

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Ira Newborn *Pittsburgh* (Universal).

David Newman *Flintstones 2: Viva Rock Vegas, Nutty 2:The Klumps, Duets* (Gwyneth Paltrow).

Michael Nyman *Kingdom Come.*John Ottman *Urban Legend: Final Cut.*

Van Dyke Parks Trade Off.
Shawn Patterson Monkeybone (d. Henry Selick, three-minute opening animated sequence only), Herd, Tales From the Goose Lady, Magic Trixie.

Jean-Claude Petit *Messieurs les Enfants,* Sarabo, Sucre Amer. Nicholas Pike *Delivered*.

Nicola Piovani Hoof Beats.

Robbie Pittelman A Killing, The Dry
Season (independent).

Michael Richard Plowman The Hot Karl.

John Powell Fresh Horses (DreamWorks), Chicken Run, Outpost, Le Visitor. Jonathan Price Rustin (indie drama), Dog Story (action).

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Trevor Rabin Whispers (Disney).

Robert O. Ragland Lima: Breaking the Silence (Menahem Golan).

Kennard Ramsey *Trick Baby*.

Alan Reeves To Walk With Lions, Ocean Oasis.

Graeme Revell Gossip, Titan A.E., Red Planet.

David Reynolds Warlock (sequel), George B, Love Happens.

William Richter Social Misfits, The Broken Machine.

Stan Ridgway Error in Judgment (d. Scott Levy), Spent (d. Gil Cates Jr.).

Richard Robbins *Cotton Mary*.
J. Peter Robinson *Waterproof*.

Marius Ruhland Anatomy.

David G. Russell The Phantom Eye (prod.

Roger Corman), The Nest, Wicked Spring.

Craig Safan *Delivering Milo*.
Richard Savage *A Whole New Day*.
Lalo Schifrin *Jack of All Trades*.
Gaili Schoen *Déjà Vu* (independent).
David Schwartz *The Little Assassin*.
John Scott *Shergar, The Long Road Home, Married 2 Malcolm* (U.K. comedy).

Ilona Sekacz Salomon and Gaenor.
Patrick Seymour Simian Line (William Hurt).
Marc Shaiman The Emporer's New
Groove (Disney animated), Jackie's Back
(Lifetime Network).

Theodore Shapiro Girlfight (Sundance Grand Jury Prize) State and Main, All Over Again (indie drama).

Theodore Shapiro Juvees, Girl Fight, The Prince of Central Park (Kathleen Turner, Harvey Keitel).

Shark The Spreading Ground), Me & Will

(Patric Dempsey, Seymour Cassel), *The Speading Ground* (d. James Burke, Dennis Hopper), *Surf Shack*.

James Shearman *The Misadventures of Margaret*.

Edward Shearmur Things You Can Tell

How to Get Listed

Due to the high volume of material, this list only covers feature scores and

selected high-profile television and cable projects. Composers, your updates are appreciated: contact managing editor

Just by Looking at Her (Cameron Diaz). Lawrence Shragge Frontline (Showtime). Alan Silvestri Lies Beneath (Harrison

Ford, Michelle Pfeiffer, d. Robert Zemeckis), **Cast Away** (Tom Hanks, Helen Hunt, d. Zemeckis), **Siegfried & Roy: The Magic Box** (IMAX documentary), **The Replacements.**

Marty Simon Captured.
Michael Skloff Cherry Pink (d. Jason Alexander).

Mike Slamer & Rich McHugh *Shark in a Bottle*.

Michael Small *Elements* (Rob Morrow). BC Smith *Mercy* (Peta Wilson).

Neil Smolar The Silent Cradle, Treasure Island, A Question of Privilege, Deadly Arranaement.

Darren Solomon Lesser Prophets (John Turturro)

William Stromberg Other Voices (comedy). Mark Suozzo Sound and Fury, Well-Founded Fear.

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Michael Tavera One Special Delivery (Penny Marshall).

Stephen James Taylor *Blessed Art Thou, John Henry.*

Ken Thorne Mary & Jesus.
Joel Timothy Waiting for the Giants.
Raymond Torres-Santos Richport,
Millennium, Menudo...My Loving Years.
Colin Towns Vig.

John Trivers, Elizabeth Myers Norma Jean, Jack and Me.

Ernest Troost Beat (Courtney Love).
Brian Tyler A Night in Grover's Mill, The
Forbidden City (d. Lance Mungia), The 4th
Floor (thriller, William Hurt, Juliette Lewis),
Four Dogs Playing Poker (Tim Curry,

Bruce Turgon Night Club. Chris Tyng Bumblebee Flies Away, 7 Girlfriends.

Forest Whitaker).

Joseph Vitarelli *Sports Pages* (d. Richard Benjamin).

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Michael Wandmacher Supercop 2 (Michelle Yeoh), Farewell, My Love, Drunken Master 2 (Jackie Chan).

Steven Warbeck Pavarotti in Dad's Room, Dance, Quills.

Joey Waronker (drummer for Beck, REM)
Chuck & Buck.

Don Was American Road (IMAX). Mark Watters Alvin and the Chipmunks Meet Frankenstein, Tom Sawyer.

Wendy & Lisa *The Third Wheel* (Ben Affleck).

Michael Whalen Slay the Dreamer, Vlad, Lost Liners (PBS special).

Alan Williams Angels in the Attic, Princess and the Pea (animated feature, score and songs; lyrics by David Pomeranz), Who Gets the House (romantic comedy), Santa and Pete (Hume Cronin, James Earl Jones), Going Home (Jason Robards).

John Williams The Patriot.

Debbie Wiseman Tom's Midnight Garden,
The Lighthouse, The Guilty.

Gabriel Yared *Lisa*.

Hans Zimmer Mission: Impossible 2

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MALBAGER RANTS, RAVES & RESPONSE

Wrighting Gary's Wrongs

have just finished reading Gary James Wright's scathing letter concerning the death of the "Art of Film Music" (Vol. 5, No. 1). I understand your position in printing what is essentially a worthless letter—you would have been criticized for not printing the negative stuff. But I do think that it was a sad waste of space.

Why do we as readers need to be bothered with someone's ego trip? Clearly, Mr. Wright doesn't believe that "real" film music has anything to do with film. If film composers were interested in writing for a concert hall, I think they would—and they certainly have. Wright's composer-bashing and insulting comments to the general public did not deserve an entire page out of only 47. With a cover price of \$4.95, that page cost about \$0.10, and it wasn't worth my money.

As for his ridiculous poll: What does audience composition say about the quality of the program? Do people who do not play musical instruments therefore have no taste? I happen to be a violinist and a musicologist, but I know engineers who understand just as much about appreciating art, the art of music and the art of film.

Mr. Wright, do you actually ever watch the films that this music is written for? If your main criteria for judging the quality of a film score is whether or not it can be listened to in complete ignorance of the film it is composed for, then you have a serious misunderstanding of the genre. So what if it can't be played in a concert hall; that's not what it's meant for. Face it, Mr. Wright you're a snob. And if you want to prove that I'm part of the ignorant masses, you can have my music degrees and performance medals to contend with.

 $Fay\ Yu$ $New\ York,\ NY$ We would like to print more legitimate criti-

cisms of the art of film music, but unfortunately, Mr. Wright's unsupported, elitist attacks are about all we can come up with.

t's a specious idea that one has to be a musician in order to appreciate film music. Do you, Mr. Wright, block bookstores and poll how many people are authors? Do you haunt multiplexes and grill how many attending are filmmakers? Political correctness for film music fandom has arrived: one has to be a certain type to qualify as a fan. I'm a composer; I play keyboards; I wrote the liner notes for Varèse's Red Pony LP (scored by Aaron Copland-I guess he was slumming). I once listened to film music while drinking beer—but that lapse aside, I meet vour criteria for being a proper film-music fan. So, hear me.

Horner? He does "pinch." But to note just one example, "The Heart Attack" music from

Brainstorm proves he can be impressive and original. As for Elmer Bernstein stealing from a composer whose name you can't cite? Nice. Where's your proof? Quote the phrases in notation-you can write music, can't you? If Herrmann writes "crashing, unmusical drivel," why is my musically trained ear so delighted? Korngold and Waxman never berated Herrmann's talents. Rózsa, in his book Double Life, said of Herrmann, "He was a splendid musician and a great musico-dramatist with an unmistakable musical personality, much imitated by lesser talents. I respected his talent and integrity, his refusal to compromise." Seems Rózsa liked drivel, too. As for Goldsmith? The melody from The Sand Pebbles is all the example I need. There are dozens more. Goldsmith's action music is Action music with a capital "A." It's supposed to

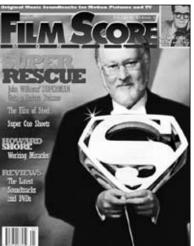
be! John Barry should be your cup of tea, often scoring action against type—but you don't like him either? Frankly, Barry can do more with three notes than many composers can do with entire scores. Have you listened to *The Lion in Winter*, almost any Bond score, *Body Heat* or the recent and delicious *Swept From the Sea*?

This is from a musician. I also asked my non-musician wife what she thought of your letter and your trashing of proven talents. She laughed.

 $Thomas\ Clement \\thomasc@nowtranslations.com$

Surely this is not the first time that Gary Wright has been laughed at by a woman.

et's ask Gary these questions: If the past 30 or 40 years have truly been so awful,



why does he continue listening? He must like to punish himself. And why does a guy who dislikes current film music so much and thinks Goldsmith is a "pretender" attend a film music concert in London by that composer? Was he there to throw tomatoes? Was it worth the trip? And why does Gary read FSM, a magazine which, for the most part, deals

with current goings-on in film music? To keep track of how awful things are? Clearly there's more to the story here—and the bigger question is why is he so bitter?

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read the letter in your new issue (Vol. 5, No. 1) from that fellow who disparages Elmer Bernstein and cites his "plagiarism" of some unknown Latin American composer's music for the Magnificent Seven theme. If anyone can produce that original work and its composer, it would be interesting to make the comparison. However, if anyone had written a piece of music which ended up being recorded under another composer's name, and used not only on film soundtracks but numerous record albums (and, above all, in a fortune-generating series of TV commercials)—then surely the themeappropriating composer would have long ago received a letter from the attorneys of that first composer (or his heirs). In any event, Mr. Bernstein's laurels rest on so much more than that one theme that it's specious to put so much argumentative weight on it. For my money, Magnificent Seven is a work of talent, but To Kill a Mockingbird is a work of genius.

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This Will Be My Last Letter to Your Magazine

This will be my last letter to your magazine. It is quite obvious that you not only enjoy thrashing perfectly good scores and composers on a regular basis but you must also stoop to printing spelling errors in order to respond to a reader's criticism of your work. There seems no purpose in further correspondence.

I live in the New York metropolitan area, an area with an enormous population and hence a larger variety of goods, services and publications for sale than many rural areas. I have yet to find *FSM* available in any of the retail outlets that I frequent (these include such giants as Barnes and Noble). This alone

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should be indicative of the influence, popularity and worth of *FSM* to most of the rest of the world.

Further, I deal with all of the mail-order dealers that you list and take great satisfaction in the fact that each and every one has had negative things to say about your reviews, your attitude and the "quality" of most of your articles. The fact that even those who advertise in your publication have little regard for your "fairness" (and, for the most part, agree with my opinion regarding the arrogance of your reviews) only strengthens my own feelings regarding FSM.

Unlike yourselves, I have, in the recent poll taken by FSM, given your CD output high marks—if for no other reason than the fact that no one else has put out the items you have (save for Patton and a few others). But this alone does nothing to balance my low opinion of your reviews and the arrogance with which they are written.

Lastly, I will say again that any record company or distributor that cannot sell 3,000 copies of an item in three or more years cannot have a good "plan," and must either be producing to get a tax write-off—or it's just poorly managed, or, more likely, it must be releasing items that almost no one wants.

You challenge me to cite scores which ought to see release but, given your response to my previous letters, I decline to do so. I will, however, be happy to cite music industry sources which

will agree wholeheartedly with my assessment of your half-assed business sense, poor release choices, even poorer distribution methods. Go on, challenge me to cite these, and publish them verbatim if I respond!

All in all, I find the magazine *Soundtrack* more to my liking. While it may not have as large a base or as efficient a distribution system as *FSM*, its reviews are always fair and never arrogant. Overall, *Soundtrack* respects both film composers and its readership, without which neither it nor *FSM* would exist.

You have been quick to publish and to be critical of my previous letters. Publish this one—and let your readers alone respond. I suspect more will find common ground with what I have said than will not.

C.H. Levenson Lakewood, New Jersey

C.H. Levenson's letters are handwritten.

John and Jerry Get Stinky

ohn Williams' work has become a little routine in the 1990s. The scores to both Jurassic Park films, Saving Private Ryan and Schindler's List, though listenable, pale in comparison to the composer's earlier trumps such as the Star Wars trilogy, the Indiana Jones series, Jaws, Superman, Close Encounters and even the older writing for the television film Jane Eyre or the Lost in Space series. The last great Williams score was 1987's The Witches of Eastwick. Williams, like his contemporary Jerry Goldsmith, is revered by most lovers of film music. But both perform the task for which they were hired with little relish for their craft or for those of us who appreciate their musicianship. I hope that their future musical endeavors will return to the stratosphere attained by the standard exemplified in the past. Both are at the height of their profession, but are resting on their laurels and doing mediocre work. Maybe they should take a look at the work of a past film scoring giant: Bernard Herrmann. He never composed a poor score, and all were greater than the films they accompanied.

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While few will argue that the *Jurassic Park* entries hold up against *Star Wars*, many believe that *Schindler's List* is one of Williams' finest works. His '90s action scores have "suffered" mainly as a result and reflection of the quality of the films themselves. Did you like *Angela's Ashes*?

Hot for Buffy

esus Weinstein's review of Christophe Beck's Guinevere (Vol. 4, No. 8) "starts off suspiciously" by noting that he's been "underwhelmed by Beck's Buffy exploits." Was this meant as fair warning the material had been pre-judged? The least any score deserves is an unbiased and openminded analysis. Weinstein goes on to note a method of theme structure similar to Elfman's and relates another section to "updated" (?) Horner. All composers reference other composers—Elfman quotes Korngold who quotes Wagner. Williams' "Duel of the

Fates" is by way of Barry's *Lion* in *Winter* and Orff's *Carmina Burana*. This is a given, and only relevant if entire musical phrases have been lifted (for which Mr. Horner requires no assistance).

Every score must rise and fall on its own merits. The relevant question is: Do the themes and instrumentation of *this* score delineate the characters and clarify the theme of *this* movie? Ms. Wells (*Guinevere*'s director) was lavish in her praise because she felt Beck's score succeeded in doing exactly that.

As for Beck's "Buffy exploits"-I find the majority of TV scores to be distressingly interchangeable. But, this is not the case with Beck's Buffy scores, which contain character-specific themes and, most shockingly, actual melody—beautiful, haunting. memorable lines in the unlikeliest of places, and often in the smallest of scenes. As Randy Newman notes, "The ability to write melody is such a rare commodity...I guarantee you there aren't 10 people doing pictures who can write a tune...it's awfully tough." Apparently Beck's peers (the toughest critics) agree. They awarded him the Emmy in 1998.

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J.W. replies:

I, like George Carlin, do not understand the meaning of the word "pre-judged." However, when I write a review, one of my main goals is to help readers find out whether the score is something they'll want to hear. In mentioning that I didn't like *Buffy*, I wasn't saying that I was waiting for *Guinevere* to disappoint me. I was instead letting the reader know of my taste and apprehension as relevant to this particular review.

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Contact Bob Hebert for rates and information ph. 213-382-8512 fax 310-253-9588 I wanted **Buffy** fans (as **Buffy** was Beck's primary output) to know that they should take my comments with a grain of salt—or simply with a better frame of reference. When I read a Roger Ebert review that dumbfounds me, I take into account the fact that it was written by Roger Ebert and dismiss it accordingly.

This may sound strange, but I find that one of the best ways to describe a film score to film score fans is to relate it to other film scores. That's what readers are most familiar with—most aren't interested in my in-depth musical analyses in the context of such short reviews. When I want to announce a case of plagiarism, I use words like "plagiarized" or "stolen" as opposed to "sounds like" or "bears resemblance." I do not imply. Thank you, Debi, for taking my review seriously. Oh—I almost forgot. I rented Guinevere the other day and nearly killed myself in the process of watching it.

FSM's CD Reviews Do the Job!

wanted to congratulate you on the past few issues of FSM. The most recent two have had a lot of great CD reviews, which help me a lot in making my purchases. I don't always agree with your opinions, but the information about contents, running time and actual score amounts are very helpful. I must, however, point out a major oversight on your part. Mychael Danna's Ride With the Devil is one of those rare works that can stand alone as a listening experience. I would have loved to have seen your opinions in a review.

Another matter altogether is why guys like Gary Wright or C.H. Levenson even read your magazine. These people are unable to understand the different purposes inherent in classical and film music. There's a classical review columnist in the local paper in St. Louis who bashes movie music at every opportunity. Her great love is Mahler-so you know where she's coming from. She says that movie music is repetitive and derivative: therefore it's not worth consideration as music. Film music is often both, but that is necessary by its nature and use in movies. In classical music, these same traits are considered creative style and individuality. How else would we tell composers apart?

> Richard Miller Florissant, Missouri

Tlike FSM for several reasons. I like the fact that there is a magazine about film scores. It took me a while to find FSM but I became a devoted fan once I did. I may not always agree with the reviews but that won't stop me from trying new music. For example, I bought Poltergeist on the strength of its review in a Goldsmith buyer's guide. I came away with an empty feeling. However, I also purchased The Mummy despite the less than glowing review and I loved it! Another reason I like FSM is the forum it provides for people to get their dander up when something they love is attacked. My all time favorite score is Close Encounters. I was six years old when it

came out and it made a lasting impression. There are probably a lot of people who don't feel that way. That is OK-I respect that. I feel the same way about a lot of the Golden Age music I have heard. Outside of maybe Alfred Newman, most of the composers from this era (Steiner, Herrmann, Korngold) all sound alike to me. I am still willing to try, though. That is what my introduction to Close Encounters has done for me. It has opened my ears to other kinds of orchestral music regardless of the forum it's performed in. Close Encounters stands by itself as a true masterpiece, much in the same way as anything from the concert "repertoire." Film music introduced me to a lot of classical music. Film music will probably be the general public's most accessible form of classical music, in many ways acting as the saving grace for the classical style. I look forward to each and every issue of FSM as it is a lot of fun to read!

> Scott Manning Cucamonga, California

Straightening Things Out

hile I'd love to find some convoluted excuse for what Jeff Bond overgleefully terms a "boner" (the expression is meaningless here in the U.K., but I've no doubt it is bad) in my liner notes to the Contract on Cherry Street CD, I've been caught dead to rights in an act of stupidity. It wasn't bad research as Bond implies, but bad luck that led to the error. Basically, what I sent Luc Van De Ven was (due to the deadline) an early draft of my notes in which I had made the unfortunate references without having yet corrected and expanded on the matter of the score's unusual brass arrangements. The mentions of the use of solo trumpets in other scores were supposed to be in reference to how Goldsmith often uses such a sound to express loneliness and not taken as a literal device used in Cherry Street. But unfortunately, as I was putting it all together in that particular version, that's the way I made it sound, so it's hands-up time—I screwed up. Admitting to a mistake you intended to correct but didn't correct is fairly pointless—it's like the U.S. suddenly declaring they intended to win in Vietnam but never quite got around to it. Still, my apologies to Luc Van De Ven and Prometheus if this error on my part has undermined their credibility in anyone's eyes.

If it will make him a better, more forgiving person, Jeff Bond is welcome to a personalized copy of the later revision which I will be glad to sign Gary A. Boner. As for the Covanis correction—that I will contradict, because that's how it sounded to me, and appeared on the IMDB and quite a few Sinatra websites. Maybe it is as Mr.



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Bond says in the book, which I haven't read. Oh, I've just realized what a boner is-maybe I should be gleefully pedantic and say that for absolute accuracy the name at the end of the review should have read "Jeff Erection."

aimed at the European audience as much as the American one. There is no evidence that Delerue ever tried to hide that he used a composition by Vivaldi. He showed many times before and after that he could write wonderful original music-he didn't need to

The only scandal concerning *A Little Romance* is that the uncultivated members of the Academy chose to grant it with an Oscar for Best Score. Delerue was a polite fellow who could hardly refuse the award-or say thanks in the name of Vivaldi. We have seen

> numerous other cases where film music composers received an unmerited Oscar for an irrelevant contribution. An Oscar should be considered more as a recognition for an a whole over a significant tribute for a specific

artist's career as achievement.

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Actually, the traditional definition of boner (as cited in Webster's New World Dictionary. 2nd Edition), while considered "vulgar," is simply "a stupid or silly blunder."

Gary, what are you thinking?

Someone Actually Thought This Was Important?

was surprised to see in your latest (and consistently late) issue (Vol. 4, No. 10, page 13) a letter from a certain Mark Koehler complaining about the fact that most of A Little Romance's music was composed by Antonio Vivaldi and not Georges Delerue. He starts by saying that many FSM letters and reviewers raved about that score, wrongly attributing all the merit to Delerue.

I don't remember having read any good comments from anybody in your publication about the insignificant A Little Romance. I thought it was obvious that the love theme was taken from a well-known Vivaldi concerto for lute, also played on guitar or mandolin. This work is a classic, at least in Europe, just like Beethoven's "Ode to Joy" or Mozart's Requiem. A Little Romance takes place in Italy and was

borrow or steal from anybody else, especially at that time of his career which was the most fruitful.

It's likely that the Largo of that Concerto in D Major was used as a temp track and the director decided to keep it. Since baroque music is in the public domain, the producers didn't have to credit Vivaldi. Delerue was not the producer of the soundtrack on LP, so it was probably not his decision to omit Vivaldi's name. Robert Townson, who released the soundtrack on CD for Varèse Sarabande in 1992, shortly after Delerue's death, was most probably aware of the Vivaldi paternity. He chose not to mention it, dedicating that dubious release (with a wrong track listing) to the memory of the composer. Perhaps you should ask him the reason. It's the same Robert Townson who produced a few years before, the three volumes of The London Sessions, which are undoubtedly the worst re-recorded compilations ever to come from the label. The only good soundtrack by Delerue that Varèse Sarabande ever released is Crimes of the *Heart*—now out of print of course. This said, Townson has proven to be an excellent producer for most other composers.

Star Blechh

s a big fan of Jerry Goldsmith, I had been craving an expanded Star Trek: The Motion Picture score for years. I am appreciative that it finally arrived but, after digesting it for a while, I am left wanting. The existing tracks never sounded better than in this remastered state, and I've been able to appreciate impressive but subtle movements in many pieces that I thought I had heard to death. Plus, the newly included material is, to an extent, fantastic. "Floating Office" and especially "The Force Field" make the price of the disc worthwhile. However, there are nagging deletions (that I understand were attributed to the condition of the masters) that are frustrating. One such example is the quick cutoff of "Inner Workings," which is missing its climax. Viewing the film again reminds me that there was quite a bit more relevant music left off of the album. If the masters are so badly damaged that a complete and thorough Supermanstyle reissue is impossible, then maybe a re-recording (like the 1998 Superman reissue)

found Goldsmith's new version of "The Enterprise" from his 1998 Frontiers album to be vastly superior to the original. I truly believe this score, in its entirety, will stand in 50 years as Goldsmith's finest and most complex work. Should a score this important be remembered only in the form of two incomplete and flawed albums?

should be considered. I, for one,

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Keep Your Suspenders On

he boxed column of page 5 (Vol. 5, No. 1) states that a "slew of long-desired, rare scores by composers rarely represented on CD" will be making their way toward the FSM marketplace. The one name that really excites me is Ron Grainer's. I've been hoping beyond all hope to someday acquire the score to The Omega Man. If there ever was a groovy '70s score, this is it, man! Grainer composed fantastically funky themes and great action pieces for this film. Hell, there's even a fabulous love theme; very jazzy and snazzy, as I recall. It's always baffled me why there's never been an album. This is a composer known for the perfect theme from "Doctor Who," and there must be a hungry audience for a CD of one of the most perfect Science Fiction/Horror classics ever made.

> Steven Jongeward Tularosa, New Mexico

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Gender-Bending Expectations

Following in the footsteps of Alfred Newman, Alex North, Franz Waxman and Dimitri Tiomkin, composer Hans Zimmer (in collaboration with vocalist Lisa Gerrard) wrote the epic film's music, which moves between spectacular battle sequences and spiritual introspection. "I was trying to write relatively emotionally and leave the action to everything else," Zimmer notes of his work on the film, explaining that he was not intimidated by the scope. "A film like As Good as It Gets, that's really hard—comedy. The first time I went to the [Gladiator] set, Ridley was shooting the infamous opening battle scene in England. It was snowing and it was cold and really muddy and I was standing there in a different century surrounded by only big men and enormous armor, and I suddenly said to Ridley, 'Look, I have one idea. If we're making an action picture—and I don't quite think that's what we're making-the problem is that women will bolt out of the cinema after the first action scene because they're going to be bored.' So what I wanted to do was set my ambition that no woman walks out, and I wanted to do that by legitimizing and contextualizing the action and saying this is all part of a greater emotional journey. At the same time, I wanted to get the action guys to listen to the dialogue and pay attention to that, and I wanted to get the music to in a way subvert and pervert what music does in an action movie. I worked on it for six months and it's a great way of working because you can fail many times, and not be worried about it. You have to have the luxury of failure in order to pull it off."

The Sword & Sandal Sound

HANS ZIMMER SCORES RIDLEY SCOTT'S ROMAN OPUS



Adding a Women's Voice

Zimmer shares his music credit with Gerrard, who provides haunting, Easternized vocals for the movie. "That was really Rid's idea," Zimmer says of director Ridley Scott. "He started playing me these tracks by Lisa Gerrard just because we liked them, and he asked what would happen if we did something like this. So I phoned her in Australia, and she had just done *The Insider* and was going to just come over for a week and do a little singing. But she's such a formidable creature, she's such an artist that I sort of instantly fell in love with her, and the week became four

or five months. It really became a collaboration, not so much about what notes she or I would write, but the great pleasure on this movie was that really everybody was working together. We were like surgeons and the movie was the patient, and we were sometimes trying to revitalize it and sometimes fix a few things, see how strong it is. We were honest with each other and tried to really get the best out of it. Usually, somebody writes a little music and they get the credit 'additional music by' at the end, and I felt Lisa was such an integral part of this that we should share credit. People should share credit far more often than they do because it's a collaboration."

Zimmer points out that there was no organized division of labor between the two composers. "I think it's pretty obvious what I wrote and what Lisa wrote because I'm the guy who makes the big noise with the orchestra and she's the frame, the beautiful frame around these things," the composer says. "I thought that rather than writing notes for her I should just let her do the thing that she does and not limit her. The opening scene, for instance, with the wheat field—we had done something and Rid came in and thought it was

okay, and he smokes cigars, and singers just hate it when anybody smokes around them and have a total freak-out because you can damage their vocal chords. I don't know what he said but it wasn't entirely what we wanted to hear. and he asked her if she was going to sing any more today and she said 'Nope!' He then lit his cigar and started blowing smoke in her face and we were discussing where the movie should go-not music, but the movie. You never really talk about music. And about two o'clock at night she said, 'Okay,

Hans
makes the
big noise
with the
orchestra,
while Lisa
provides the
lovely frame.



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Rid—here we go,' and she did one take of the scene in which Russell [Crowe] finds his dead wife, and it's just one take of pure emotion. Then she turned around and said 'How's this?' and we knew we were right because Ridley was just a puddle of emotion."

Despite not having written a typical action score, Zimmer does provide several massive and exciting action cues for the picture, in particular a brutal, rhythmic cue for the opening battle that recurs in later gladiatorial sequences. "The action cues are the most perverse thing I've ever written," Zimmer says, noting that he based his opening action cue on a waltz. "Nobody writes action music as waltzes. We all looked at Rome and you see the formality of the architecture and those amazing shapes, and I was thinking 'What music has that quality?' Something very formal and very elegant. And waltzes are. In the 0 there is this glossiness and happiness, and Rome for us is this beautiful place that's built on blood and savagery. So I thought, 'What if I take the form of a waltz and turn it on its head and make it savage and brutal and bloody, but at the same time not get caught in it.' That was a great intellectual conceit that then turned into months and months of trying to pull it off. I wrote all that stuff before they finished shooting, so all the action scenes are cut to the music."

Zimmer also brought a highly unusual approach to the prelude to one of the film's most spectacular arena scenes, prefacing the battle with the soaring almost ethereal textures of Holst's "Mars, Bringer of War"—an obvious choice, but one usually raided for its hammering battle rhythms rather than for the chilling intervening material Zimmer employs. "That was totally intentional, and the Wagner references are totally intentional too, just like Ridley made obvious Leni Riefenstahl-references," Zimmer says. "[For] the scene where Commodus comes into Rome, which comes off the Moroccan filthy, dirty, disgusting pit that Maximus was fighting in, I wanted to go from this

very ethnic to this very civilized sound. At first I was going to play Rome as this very dark, Leni Riefenstahl-type place. And then I thought, 'Hold on, this is Commodus coming in to this place, and he's thinking, "Hey, I'm Emperor—how great!" He's not hearing people shouting 'Down with the Emperor!' or whatever or guys rebelling-I just wanted to make it one of those gratuitously vain triumphs for this megalomaniac who has no idea that everybody hates him. It's more like, 'Oh, isn't this wonderful-my town!' So we thought Wagner would be perfect, and the scary thing is it was so easy for me to slip into that Germanic thing-I whipped that thing out in about an hour, so I think I need to see a psychiatrist about that!"

The film's score wound up being far more integral to the viewing experience than it is on most pictures. "The music is everything you can't say in words," Zimmer explains. "Ridley and I watched the film with music from top to tail without any sound or dialogue to see if it still works, and it did, and Ridley said 'Great—we made an opera!' Because it does hold together and you don't need a single word of dialogue to get every nuance in it. For me music is a very clear language—speaking English or German is difficult, but speaking music I'm on very solid ground."

On Cruise Control

Next up for Zimmer is John Woo's Mission Impossible 2, and it sounds like Zimmer is preparing to subvert expectations on that film as well. "I've basically surrounded myself with a bunch of my favorite musicians and we're just rocking out right now," he says. "I wouldn't know what you're going to describe it as. The only reason you want to do something is you want to break the form and reinvent yourself. Everybody was saying, 'Why do you want to do a movie with a "2" in the title?' And the thing is I loved Lalo Schifrin's tune and I wanted to see what I could do with it. Little did I know that it's really hard to do something new with that piece because it's sort of perfect the way it is."



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Laboriously compiled by Jeff Bond

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Best New Score

If you want to generalize about film score fans and what they like, you can safely say this: We like our scores big, we like 'em broad and we like 'em loud. If they can be connected to a science fiction film or a period epic, so much the better—and if you can *combine* a period epic with sci-fi or fantasy elements, you're talking a home run. John Williams' *Star Wars Episode One* score revived fan interest in the gigantic orchestral movie soundtrack in 1977, and fans have been waiting since 1983 for another dose of his stupendous

Star Wars sound. So it's no surprise that The Phantom Menace ran away with the reader's choice for Best New Score this year (although I wonder how it would have done had it been written, say, 20 years ago). Maybe a little more surprising was the solid second and third place showing (both scores receiving almost exactly the same number of votes) of Jerry Goldsmith's scores to The Mummy and The Thirteenth Warrior. Closely following these efforts were Danny Elfman's Sleepy Hollow and Don Davis' The Matrix, making every one of the top five vote-getters genre efforts. Just outside the top five were John Corigliano's The Red Violin, Thomas Newman's American Beauty and The Green Mile, Williams' Angela's Ashes, and James Newton Howard's The Sixth Sense. About 30 other scores got at least a couple of votes—at the top of the heap were Michael Kamen's The Iron Giant. David Arnold's The World Is Not Enough, and Elliot Goldenthal's Titus.

- 1.Phantom Menace (John Williams)
- **2. The Mummy** (Jerry Goldsmith)
- **3. Thirteenth Warrior** (Jerry Goldsmith)
- 4. Sleepy Hollow (Danny Elfman)

5. The Matrix (Don Davis)

Oscar Guess

When we first posed this question in the mag-



azine the Oscar nomina-

tions hadn't been announced; later we opened up the question on the FSM website and got a more informed response. Thomas Newman's American Beauty was way ahead of the pack for readers who assumed that the buzz surrounding the movie would carry Newman's excellent score into the winner's circle. Getting about half the votes of American Beauty for a second place finish was John Corigliano's *The Red Violin* (said one reader: "Academy voters in general are idiots and the word 'violin' will tip-off the ignorant on what to vote for."). Finishing a distant third was Rachel Portman's The Cider House Rules, and also garnering a few votes was John Williams' lovely score to Angela's Ashes. Asked to guess this year's winner, one reader had this prediction: "Something artsy-fartsy by some no-name that has almost no music in it and that none of us collectors cares about." Hello, Cider House Rules! Actually, the winner was something that was both artsy-fartsy and something collectors could care about: John Corigliano's expressive score to The Red Violin. Now collectors are arguing over whether Corigliano's acceptance speech was a put down of the film scoring world.

- 1. American Beauty (Thomas Newman)
- 2. The Red Violin (John Corigliano)
- $\textbf{3. The Cider House Rules} \ (\textbf{Rachel Portman})$
- 4. Angela's Ashes (John Williams)
- 5. Toy Story 2 (Randy Newman) (tie)
 The Green Mile (Thomas Newman) (tie)

Best Composer

I can't count the number of readers who placed John Williams, Jerry Goldsmith and Thomas Newman on their best composers list (with the occasional substitution of Danny Elfman for Thomas Newman). Williams and Goldsmith were neck and neck for first place with Williams edging out Jerry by just three votes. Williams earned the gratitude of fans

for returning to the Star Wars universe that got many readers interested in movie music in the first place, while Goldsmith had a banner year by returning to the one thing he indisputably does best—crap! Seriously, The Mummy, The Thirteenth Warrior and The Haunting were pretty lousy movies, but while The Haunting was too terrible to get much benefit from Goldsmith's low-key score, both The Mummy and The Thirteenth Warrior at the very least produced stupendous, epic-length, great-sounding albums that found themselves into many listeners' regular rotation. Danny Elfman impressed many with his portentous score to Tim Burton's Sleepy Hollow, while James Newton Howard (identified by at least one reader as "David Newton Howard") had a busy year with Runaway Bride, The Sixth Sense, Stir of Echoes, Mumford and Snow Falling on Cedars. Other composers who rated: Carter Burwell, Mychael Danna, Basil Poledouris, Don Davis and John Corigliano.

- 1. John Williams
- 2. Jerry Goldsmith
- 3. Thomas Newman
- 4. Danny Elfman
- 5. James Newton Howard

Best Unreleased Score

Most people skipped this category because,



as one reader pointed out, "Are there any?" The top vote-getter was George S. Clinton's second Austin Powers score (and people are still waiting for the first), but both Galaxy Quest and Magnolia have since been released as promos or legitimate albums. Several people also pointed out a potential volume two of The Phantom Menace as their album of choice—maybe that one would have the action music in it.

- **1.** Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me (George S. Clinton)
- **2.** *Galaxy Quest* (David Newman) (tie) *Magnolia* (John Brion) (tie)
- 3. The Phantom Menace (Volume 2)

- (John Williams)
- 4. Summer of Sam (Terence Blanchard)
- 5. Three Kings (Carter Burwell)

Best Record Label

We're proud to announce that Varèse Sarabande beat us by exactly one point on this one. Varèse won points with readers for releasing some gems that might never have gotten a score album (like Don Davis' The Matrix and Basil Poledouris' For Love of the Game), as well as for their lengthy score album release for the epic Goldsmith work The Thirteenth Warrior. Even C.H. Levenson gave us a vote (splitting it with one for Prometheus), and while one reader opined that we might be releasing too many westerns, others asked for "...more unsung gems like Flight of the Phoenix." Sony Classical placed third, in large part for releasing The Phantom Menace, although several readers took them to task for adding dialogue to Angela's Ashes. Also garnering a few votes were Cinephile (for their Roy Budd reissues), Rhino (for some great Golden Age collections), Marco Polo (for their continuing series of excellent film score re-recordings) and Prometheus (for getting out some primo Silver Age scores like Goldsmith's Contract on Cherry Street).

- 1. Varèse Sarabande
- 2. FSM
- 3. Sony Classical
- 4. Cinephile
- 5. Rhino

Best New Album of Older Score

Let's face it, we are a bunch of spoiled brats. Last year gave us a ton of previously unreleased music, both in original and newly recorded form. Sony's long-delayed, expanded *Star Trek: The Motion Picture* album tied for first place with Intrada's and Bruce Broughton's stupendous new recording of Bernard Herrmann's *Jason and the Argonauts* score. Following closely were Silva



Screen's re-recording of John Barry's Raise the Titanic, FSM's release of Patton and Flight of the Phoenix, and Koch's Stromberg/ Morgan restoration of Herrmann and Alfred Newman's The Egyptian. Also earning votes were FSM's release of Franz Waxman's Prince Valiant and Goldsmith's 100 Rifles, Varèse Sarabande's new recording of music from Amazing Stories, FSM's Prince of Foxes and Rio Conchos releases, Varèse's re-recording of Herrmann's Citizen Kane, and the '70s Jerry Goldsmith telefilm score Contract on Cherry Street released by Prometheus.

- 1. Jason and the Argonauts (Intrada) (tie) Star Trek: The Motion Picture (Sony) (tie)
- 2. Raise the Titanic (Silva Screen)
- **3. Patton/Flight of the Phoenix** (FSM)
- 4. The Egyptian (Koch)

Best New Re-Recording



Lots of people put these albums in the compilation or new album categories, but the top vote-getters for re-recordings were all Varèse titles: *Citizen Kane, Amazing Stories* and their *Towering Inferno* disaster movie suites album.

- 1. Citizen Kane (Varèse Sarabande)
- 2. Amazing Stories (Varèse Sarabande)
- **3. The Towering Inferno: Disaster Movie Suites** (Varèse Sarabande)

Best New Compilation

Rhino was the big winner here with their two MGM boxed sets, Miklós Rózsa at MGM and MGM: The Lion's Roar. Varèse's The Phantom Menace and Other Hits tied with Chandos' The Film Music of Georges Auric for third place, and Silva's Close Encounters—The Essential John Williams and volumes 1 and 2 of The Hammer Film Music Collection rounded out the top five. Also getting a number of votes were three 2000 releases: the Varèse Bernard Herrmann Twilight Zone scores re-recording, and Silva Screen's Twilight Zone 40th Anniversary set and Bond Back in Action. Sorry, people, you'll have to remember



these next year.

- 1. Miklós Rózsa at MGM (Rhino)
- 2. MGM: The Lion's Roar (Rhino)
- 3. Phantom Menace and Other Hits (Varèse) (tie)

Film Music of Georges Auric (Chandos) (tie)

- 4. Close Encounters—The Essential John Williams (Silva)
- Hammer Film Music Collection:
 Volume 2 (GDI Hammer)

Worst New Score

Most readers elected to wuss out on this category and failed to name a score that they thought stank. But Elmer Bernstein's Wild Wild West and David Arnold's The World Is Not Enough placed highest among those who The World Is Not Enough (tie)

- 2. Bicentennial Man
- 3. Deep Blue Sea
- 4. The Phantom Menace
- 5. The Matrix

Worst Composer

James Horner won the most votes here, with several pointing out the composer's disappointing output. When you sell as many records as Horner did with Titanic, the need to earn a living definitely takes a back seat among your motivations to take the next project. In 1999 Horner only scored a documentary and the disastrous Bicentennial Man, which proved that not every movie benefits from a Horner/Celine Dion single. Trevor Rabin placed second here for his score to Deep Blue Sea, while Elmer Bernstein tied for third place with Eric Serra, whose The Messenger score must have annoyed someone besides me. Fourth place was taken by Jocelyn Pook for Eyes Wide Shut and Randy Edelman for not scoring any movies like Gettysburg last year (although he did do the TNT Civil War movie The Hunley). Other nominations? "Zimmer & co." (I think the same reader chimes in with this every year), Gabriel Yared ("If I could vote for Yared a million times, I would," said one reader). Trevor Jones ("If I hear the theme from Last of the Mohicans one more time...") and Jerry Goldsmith ("I think Jerry needs a vacation").

1. James Horner

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voted—although several readers pointed out that Wild Wild West was more disappointing than bad. James Horner's Bicentennial Man and Trevor Rabin's Deep Blue Sea also displeased readers, and the handful of final votes proved the adage that one man's meat is another's poison: The Phantom Menace and The Matrix both received a few votes as worst score of the year. Williams' Angela's Ashes was also singled out by at least one person...maybe for not having enough action sequences. Also rating votes were Stigmata, The Talented Mr. Ripley, Universal Soldier 2, The Haunting and Tarzan. One reader with a long memory also singled out Shakespeare in Love...a 1998 score that must have left one long-lasting bad taste in his mouth.

1. Wild Wild West (tie)

- 2. Trevor Rabin
- **3. Elmer Bernstein** (tie) **Eric Serra** (tie)
- 4. Jocelyn Pook

Worst Record Label

Those that live by John Williams die by John Williams, and Sony Classical, which got plenty of votes for best record label, won the worst label competition by garnering votes from fans who were disappointed with the incomplete treatment of *The Phantom Menace* score and Sony's decision to fill out *Angela's Ashes* with a lot of dialogue from the movie. Maybe they should have checked with Rykodisc first. Varèse Sarabande also got a few votes, with some readers pointing out their dissatisfaction with the label's *Back to*

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the Future Trilogy album. Pendulum also got votes—not for being a bad label, but for being a good one that closed down before it could fulfill its promise. Also rating mention were Silva Screen (for those who don't like the company's re-recordings and compilations), Sonic Images (for those sick of indistinguishable Babylon 5 albums) and Dreamworks (for delaying the release of Thomas Newman's score album to American Beauty). At least one reader pointed out that we should drop this category now that we are a label ourselves—good point! On the other hand, we could add a "Worst Film Music Magazine" category...

- 1. Sony Classical
- 2. Varèse Sarabande
- 3. Pendulum
- 4. Atlantic Records
- 5. Silva Screen



Best FSM Article

Buyer's Guides went over big with the FSM readership, with most people citing the ongoing Jerry Goldsmith Guide as their favorite article...although several wished it would end already (hey, I'm working on it). Doug Adams' analyses of the Star Wars and Phantom Menace scores ("Sounds of the Empire") came in a close second, followed by his examination of the classic Franz Waxman Prince Valiant score. Guy Tucker's retrospective on Papillon ranked fourth, closely followed by "Tiny Tune Titans," the Warner Bros. Animation article. Next came "CD reviews" ("The best consumer report of its kind!" trumpeted one reader). Also mentioned were the Korngold bio piece,

our look at the Golden Age Film Composers postage stamps, our NFL Films music piece "Blood, Sweat and Tunes" (also rating as one of the most reviled FSM articles—see below), the article on William Friedkin and the music from The Exorcist, and our Best of 1998 piece from last year. FSM contributor C.H. Levenson had this to say: "It's nice to read about how the creative process works, why certain choices are made, how music and film come together... Also, these articles usually do not contain opinionated drivel from FSM's staff about how, allegedly, the composer failed, or about how (seemingly) the FSM writer could allegedly do better (or at least this is the impression created)...What's that old adage? Those who can, do...those who can't, teach...those who can do neither apparently write reviews for FSM...." Man, that's cold.

1. "Goldsmith Buyer's Guide" (Jeff Bond,

Douglass Fake w/ help from Jon Burlingame)

- **2. "Sounds of the Empire"** (Doug Adams)
- 3. "Prince Valiant" (Doug Adams)
- **4. "Papillon"** (Guy Tucker)
- **5. "Tiny Tune Titans"** (Jeff Bond)

Worst FSM Article

John Bender, I've got great news-we finally came up with something people hate even more than Score Internationale. It's "Blood, Sweat and Tunes," our look back at the great music Sam Spence and others wrote for the NFL Films documentaries. "Is this stuff worth covering?" one reader demanded, while another suggested that "everything about sports" should be banned from FSM. Hey, I've got nothing against staying inside and watching TV-in fact, that's what got me where I am today. But this abhorrence of the world of sports strikes me as a little unhealthy. My advice is to put The Power and the Glory in your walkman and run a few laps-it's good for you. Score Internationale still managed to tie with "Blood, Sweat and Tunes" for first place, but our guess is there's a silent majority out there who still dig Bender's hallucinatory prose. I wonder if Bender watches Futurama? And readers had plenty of other things to gripe about; some called us on our Austin Powers 2 piece, "Shagging a Sequel" ("I'm really sick of Austin Powers hype," one reader said). Others

blasted us for reprinting the *Boston Globe* article on *The Phantom Menace*, some didn't like Andy Dursin's Laserphile ("Less DVD/LD reviews unless it pertains to an isolated score"), some didn't like the *Papillon* piece (although one reader said he might have liked it had he actually ever seen the movie); and some hated our all-reviews issue ("Too many simply bog down the magazine. 'Scores of Scores' was perhaps the worst *FSM* magazine I've ever purchased").

Here are some more choice comments about what readers would like to see less of:

"My interest is waning. I really think that publishing photos of ASCAP award dinners and the like is really boring."

"Less about video games and Japanese animation"

"Could be less acerbic about some of the reviews"

"Most reviews... that are written by frustrated geeks."

"The poorly written discussions relating to technical aspects of music. While I liked the *Phantom Menace* examples, there were times when I wished someone with some musical analysis background edited and helped the writer look less like a fish out of water. The ability to break down the different motifs was well done, the discussion was barely college

And finally, a word from C.H. Levenson:

[On FSM Reviews] "These are rarely devoid of bias, always give the impression of knowit-all arrogance, never, ever contribute anything more than opinion, and overall do nothing positive for the film score fans other than to perhaps alert them to an otherwise unfamiliar item. Worst of all, FSM writers apparently cherish this role, have little use for anyone who suggest (SiC) moderation or fairness, and apparently enjoy trashing the efforts of other, more talented people than themselves. Write a film score yourself, Lukas! See if you can do any better than those whom you and your band of cretins regularly dump on! If so then proceed as you have been doing, but only then! I'd bet the farm on your inability to write a fair piece of film music, much less a great score!"

In Lukas' defense, I don't think he's written a negative review of anything in the past year or so—he can really only get up enough enthusiasm to write when he really likes something. However, the rest of us cretins have no such excuses. level (sorry). This shows most in the naïve writings relating to the 'art/classical' music composers who did film music. These always make me wince and indirectly call into question other analysis and discussion by some writers. I know you are all not musicologists or even historians, but sometimes love for something is not always enough in a critical review or essay."

- Score Internationale (tie) (John Bender)
 "Blood, Sweat and Tunes"
 (tie) (Jeff Bond)
- 2. "Shagging a Sequel" (Jeff Bond)
- **3. "Papillon"** (Guy Tucker)
- **4. "Scores of Scores"** all-review issue (various)
- 5. Reprint of the Phantom Menace article

from The Boston Globe

Best Writer

Wow, I won this for a second year in a rowproof positive that if I just write at least half of every issue, the readers will love me. I was going to include a few nice things that people said about my writing here but as I was typing this Jon Kaplan looked over my shoulder and said "You bastard!" so I decided to tone it down a little. However, I will be bringing this up at my next salary review. Doug Adams placed second with most readers pointing out his "fantastic musical analysis" (except for that guy in the Worst FSM Article section above), while Lukas placed a solid third despite the fact that he never writes anything. If he wrote an article every issue he'd crush me like an ant. Trapped in a three-way cage match for fourth place were Guy Tucker, Jon Kaplan and John Bender, followed by Andy Dursin, Mike Mattesino, and Dan Goldwasser. Also in the running was one dark horse candidate suggested by a reader: "Walt Whitman." We've got to start giving that guy more work.

- 1. Jeff Bond
- 2. Doug Adams
- 3. Lukas Kendall
- 4. Guy Tucker (tie)
 Jonathan Z. Kaplan (tie)
 John Bender (tie)
- 5. Andy Dursin

Best Cover

Our "Tiny Tunes Titans" cover (Vol. 4 No.7) tied with our tribute to Erich Wolfgang Korngold (Vol. 3 No.9) for first place with readers, followed closely by our "Williams *Phantom Menace*" cover (Vol. 4 No.5), our composer stamps piece (Vol. 4 No.9), our tribute to the late, great Stanley Kubrick (Vol. 4 No.8) and our "Jerry Goldsmith Birthday" issue (Vol. 4 No.2). Also rating mention were our "Franz



Waxman Prince

Valiant" cover (Vol. 4 No.4), and even our

- "Why don't I buy soundtracks like I used to? There was a time when I would buy just about ANY score released. These days I rarely buy a CD a month. The only CD I ran out to buy was Star Wars. I am much more careful about where my money is being spent. Ten years ago, I would have bought every FSM CD that was released. As it stands, I haven't bought any. Unlike the Varèse Club releases way back when, these scores just don't seem "special"—the FSM library doesn't hold any 'gotta-have-it' appeal."
- "More DVD info. It is such an interesting new medium, and sometimes a DVD is the

"Magnolia gets The Mission Memorial Award for the score that is so wonderful it makes the mediocre movie it is attached to seem better than it really is."

"Scores of Scores" all-review issue (Vol. 4, No.10). Placing a distant 10th was one reader's suggestion: "*Playboy* August '98." Can't argue with that one.

- 1. "Tiny Tune Titans," Vol. 4 No.7 (tie)
 "Golden Age Greats—Korngold,"
 Vol. 3 No.9 (tie)
- 2. "Williams' Phantom Menace," Vol. 4 No.5
- 3. "Composer Stamps," Vol. 4 No.9
- 4. "Stanley Kubrick Tribute," Vol. 4 No.8
- 5. "Jerry Goldsmith Birthday," Vol. 4 No.2

Creative Essay

Finally, here's our readers' chance to blow off some steam and tell us what they really think.

- "Can someone PLEASE give Michael Convertino a film to score (and then release it on CD)."
- "Most overrated score of the year: *The Mummy*. Actually glad to see that *FSM* was almost the only magazine that had the balls to say that this wasn't really a great score (I don't think people were saying back in 1985 that *King Solomon's Mines* was a "masterpiece"). Elfman's over-bombastic *Sleepy Hollow* is probably a little overrated too."
- On Lukas' absence: "I don't expect a publisher to be present within every issue, but one big article should be possible every year. An essay about a composer or something like that."

- closest you can get to a yet-unreleased or incomplete score."
- "Magnolia gets The Mission Memorial Award for the score that is so wonderful it makes the mediocre movie it is attached to seem better than it really is."
- "I have nothing but the highest admiration for FSM Golden Age and Silver Age Classics, but the reason I didn't buy Patton, Rio Conchos and The Comancheros is because I already own excellent rerecordings of these scores that I'm perfectly happy with, and I'm not obsessive (or wealthy) enough to buy multiple releases of every score."
- "I think there ought to be established The Guy McKone Award, given for the member of the message board who readers feel best contributes to the discussion at the forum. The first recipient certainly deserves to be its namesake. It's hard not to miss Guy."
- "Dumbest idea since colorization: putting new scores on old talkies, specifically the defacing of *Dracula* with that sawing, droning sound-loop Philip Glass has been recycling for years."
- "FSM feature guaranteed to generate an audible chuckle: whenever and wherever James Horner is referred to as 'Horner.'"
- "When will FSM give a bad review to a Golden Age classic release?" Perhaps when someone writes one? **FSM**

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STAR WARS: EPISODE 1: THE PHANTOM MENACE Cue Sheet Annotations (**)

Note: Cue titles are unofficial. All cue information in this list is arranged to reflect current availability in different media. Therefore, some things are listed as, say, three cues on this list because they are available in three different locations. However, these same three cues may very well have been recorded as one big one in the original

PART 1: Reels 1AB, 2AB, 3AB

00:00-00:20 Fox Fanfare

I have no idea which version was as used in the film, but for my purfrom the Return of the Jedi Special Edition soundtrack on RCA/Victor.

00:26-02:10 Main Title/Arrival at Naboo

This cue matches the Sony album from 0:00-1:48, containing the "Star Wars Main Title" and the opening moments of the "Arrival Destroying the Republic Ship/The at Naboo." However, at 1:51 the Gas for the "Arrival at Coruscant," CD.

02:10-03:30 Aboard the Federation Battleship

Coruscant material, the track "sqtense2.imc" on the TPM CD-ROM continues into true "Arrival at Naboo" music, providing over two minutes of score, accompanying (a) the scenes with TC-14: (b) the two Jedi as they discuss negotiations and look out the window, as well as the first two sections of the next cue; (c) the introduction of the Nemoidians; and (d) TC-14 bringing the Jedi some drinks.

03:30-04:52 Nemoidians/ The Jedi Wait/Darth Sidious

The first two parts of this cue are the end of the above, while the Darth Sidious material can be heard in the TPM CD-ROM "sqeerie.imc" A note about the whispering choir motif used poses I have selected the version throughout the film, and first heard here: I believe it was recorded as a separate element from the actual cues, and dropped in at the discretion of George Lucas and/or Ken Wannberg during the final mixing process.

04:52-05:05

album segues into music written Heard, with minimal sound effects, on TPM CD-ROM as the closing which finishes out track 1 of that moments of "sqfedshipintrocs. imc," this short bit of music accompanies the shots of the Nemoidians blowing up the Republic Cruiser that brought the Jedi to Naboo, Instead of crossfading into the and the first moments of the following scene as TC-14 drops the Message From Palpatine (part 2) tray and the Jedi spring to action, The Sony CD picks up again with lightsabers drawn.

05:05-05:33 "Dioxisin!"

Unreleased

The first cue in this list to still be unavailable in any form, this is a short burst of suspenseful music, including some forceful chords in low strings and brass. It functions primarily as a setup to the next cue.

05:33-07:09 **Jedi Fight**

This cue can be found as "sqdroidfightloop.imc" on the TPM CDtheir lightsabers attempt to reach the bridge of the Federation Battleship. Especially exciting is the powerful rendition of the Force theme as Qui-Gon Jinn cuts through the blast doors with his lightsaber. About 14 seconds of this cue are omitted from the "sqdroidfightloop. imc" file and remain unreleased. This unreleased music is low and somber and accompanies the scene on the bridge where Rune Haako tells Nute Gunray, "We will not survive this...." We then resume with music available in the game. The ending of the cue is found in "sqdroidfightend.imc."

Note: A small six-second segment of this cue is tracked in to a later scene, "This is too close..."

07:09-08:39 Amidala Confronts the Nemoidians

At this point, we segue back to music found on the Sony CD, specifically track 13 at 2:52-4:23. It accompanies the scene where Queen Amidala contacts Nute Gunray and tells him the Federation has gone too far. After an orchestral swell and melodic statement by ethnic flute, the score segues to the next cue.

08:39-09:30 Message From Palpatine

(part 1)

passage features solo bassoon in some great melodic turns, and can be found in the TPM CD-ROM as "sqtheed.imc." After about a minute, it segues back into the Sony album.

track 13 from 4:23-4:51, the end of the track. On the album, this Boss Nass/The Bongo (part 1) music tails out, but in the film it directly segues in an exciting fashion with the next cue.

Note: This cue is reprised in the film to accompany the moments where the Gungans fire up their shield generator.

09:30-10:18 The Invasion Begins

This cue, which first presents the through the meeting with Boss militaristic theme for the Trade Federation and the Battledroids, can be heard on the Sony CD as narrowly avoid being devoured by part of track 14, running from ROM. It is a deftly written piece of 1:05-1:44. There is an "alternate" action music that accompanies the version found on the TPM CD- 17:58-18:57 two Jedi as they fight Battledroids ROM, which is this same perand formance with the addition of The Nemoidians once again speak a timpani/snare roll intro. This with Darth Sidious and the music "alternate" also has a looped fade that accompanies this sequence out that was made by the makers of the video game and is not how Williams wrote the cue. In the film, this cue sneaks out with an edit to a brassy chord, which can be heard on TPM CD-ROM as file "sqdanger1.imc," although this file also has extra introductory percussion that was edited out of the film. This cue effectively brings to an end 10 minutes of uninterrupted music in the film.

(11:27-12:36) **Jar Jar Binks**

The first cue in this list to be written for the film but ultimately unused, this music serves as an introduction to Jar Jar Binks and is titled as such on the CD, where 19:08-19:47 The Bongo (part 3) 1:08. In the film, this music would start just after Qui-Gon explains to Obi-Wan that Jar Jar is "a local." We then cut to the Jedi runthis cue would begin. The flourthe water.

12:36-13:31 Otoh Gunga

end of "sqgungaintro.imc" on the with Jar Jar as he flees the giant TPM CD-ROM.

13:31-17:55

One of the few accurate presentations of a cue on the Sony album, this music appears as track 10, starting at 0:00 and running until 4:39, the end of the track. It begins with the Jedi and Jar Jar entering Otoh Gunga through the waterproof membrane, and continues Nass and the first segment of the Bongo trip, finishing as our heroes a sea creature.

Darth Sidious II/The Bongo (part 2)

can be found on the Sony CD, track 14, starting at 3:45. We then return to the Jedi and Jar Jar in the Bongo, where they run out of power. The music for this segment follows the Sidious material on track 14 of the CD, running until 4:57, although it is shortened quite a bit in the movie. On CD, the closing chord, which accentuates the Bongo's loss of power, crossfades into the string ostinato motif from "Duel of the Fates," which does not occur in the film. A version with a clean ending can be found in the TPM CD-ROM, in file "sqsidiousmood.imc."

it is featured as track 4, 0:00- After restoring power to the Bongo, our heroes again encounter threatening sea creatures. In the film, the cue starts with the music at 2:08, which occurs immediately ning through the forest, Jar Jar after they restore power and Jar running behind them, shouting Jar screams at the monster out-"Ex-squeeze me!" This is where side the window. The music continues without interruption into ish approximately one minute in the next cue. (Note: I believe the matches the moment where Jar sequence was a bit longer when Jar spins around and almost hits Williams scored it, for there is Obi-Wan with his ears. In the film, about half a minute or so of music the cue fades in during the musical that doesn't fit in the scene as flourish at 1:08 as Jar Jar makes it finally appears. The TPM CD-Edited out of the Sony album, this his funny scream and jumps in ROM has the longest version of the first section of this music, "sqfight5.imc," and the rest can be heard on the Sony CD, track This cue is on the CD as track 4, 14, from 2:08-2:47. I have seen from 1:08 to 2:05. The repeating some websites that indicate this flute figure at 2:05 can be found music may have been written for

troop transports, but I have seen no definitive evidence to support my conclusion, or any other.)

19:47-20:23 "Ah, victory..."

A second presentation of the military music for the Federation Droid Army, this track is available on the Sony CD, number 14, from 2:47 to 3:20. The end of this cue on the CD segues into some unused synth music that obliquely resembles whale calls, but a clean ending can be heard in the TPM CD-ROM, "sqfedannounce.imc."

20:23-20:41

"Dis'n loverly..." Unreleased

Here we find only the third instance in the first 20 minutes or so of score that is currently unavailable in any form (except the movie itself, of course). This short piece connects the end of the previous cue with the beginning of the next, and is distinguished by some lovely pastoral reed phrases that musically mirror the sentiments of Jar Jar regarding the city of Theed.

20:41-21:45 Captured Queen

The Nemoidians have captured the Queen and her handmaidens and lead them down the stairs of the palace. This is available on the TPM CD-ROM as file "sqtheedstalk.imc." It segues directly into the next cue.

21:45-22:28 Bombad Tedi

Jar Jar and the Jedi spring into action and rescue the Queen and her entourage from the Battledroids in this exciting cue. This cue, found as file "sqtheedattack.imc" on the TPM CD-ROM, continues through the brief conversation in the courtyard and ends when our heroes reach the door to the hangar.

22:28-23:37 "They will kill you if you stay..."

Unreleased

This cue is currently unreleased and is an energetic piece of music that underscores the conversation outside the hangar door as the Queen decides to go to Coruscant with the Jedi. It continues with some nice "rallying" string writing as Qui-Gon confronts the without the Sony overlap as the the scene where Qui-Gon collides Battledroid and Obi-Wan walks to

the captured pilots.

23:37-24:05 Freeing the Pilots

in a nice action set piece, scored with brass as the group makes its escape from Naboo. This first segment is heard on the Sony CD, track 12, 2:40-3:23. The timpani figures at the end directly overlap the opening note of the next cue.

24:05-24:44 Escape From Naboo

Found as file "sqfight1.imc" on the TPM CD-ROM, this cue presents the action motif used for the escape from Naboo, which will be continued into the next cue. In addition, this cue and most of the next one are tracked into running from 0:53-1:06, probably the Podrace as Anakin refires his malfunctioning pod and defeats Sebulba.

24:44-25:56 The Heroics of R2D2

It is during this cue that we are introduced to the resourceful little droid, R2D2. A nice musical touch by John Williams is the exotic before a segue into the next bit. phrase in the bassoon at the end of the cue, accompanied by finger cymbals, that conveys the desert feel of Tatooine and the Hutts. This cue can be heard from 0:13-1:29, track 15, Sony CD.

25:56-26:51 To Tatooine/Darth Sidious and Maul

Unreleased

Beginning over the end of the previous scene, we then return to the Federation ship, where the Nemoidians must explain their failure to capture the Queen to Darth Sidious. Dissatisfied with their incompetence, Sidious reveals his apprentice, Darth Maul, and sets him the task of capturing the Queen. This unreleased cue consists primarily of Sidious' theme, with the whispered choral motif appearing as Maul is revealed. After Sidious ends the transmission, the Nemoidians nervously discuss their situation, and a sinister theme is heard in the low wind section. This cue is about 55 seconds long.

26:51-27:04 The Queen's Ship

Actually the end of the previous cue, this short segment is the portion currently available, on the TPM CD-ROM, "sqscary1.imc." It tails out as Panaka introduces the Queen to R2D2.

27:45-28:40 Padme and Jar Jar/Tatooine

Now everyone springs into action In the final film, this is the first presentation of Jar Jar's theme, since the earlier scoring was discarded during mixing. After his theme, the score swells into some wonderful chords that accompany the arrival of the group at Tatooine, the nexus of events in the Star Wars saga. A powerful French horn figure scores the ship's landing. This cue is on the Sony CD, track 7, 0:00-0:53.

28:40-28:56 Mos Espa (part 1)

Omitted from the final film, this portion of the Sony CD track 7, underscored Qui-Gon and Obi-Wan as they discussed plans and disturbances in the Force.

28:56-29:02 Mos Espa (part 2)

Here the music returns in the film, matching the Sony CD track 7, 1:06-1:14 a brief appearance

29:02-29:33 Mos Espa (part 3)

Edited out of the Sony album, but 35:58-36:09 The Sandstorm available, albeit with ambient Mos Espa sound effects on the TPM CD-ROM as file "sqespa1.imc," this music underscores the conversation between Qui-Gon and Panaka as they argue about bringing Padme to Mos Espa. A timpani roll functions as a segue back into the remaining section of this cue.

29:33-29:55 Mos Espa (part 4)

The Sony CD resumes here, on track 7, from 1:14 to 1:52, as our heroes journey into Mos Espa.

29:55-30:30

Mos Espa Source Music Unreleased Exotic percussion is about all that can be heard of this cue in the finished film. The TPM CD-ROM does contain some tracks of music and sound effects that sound like they could be some Espa source music, "espa04bar.imc" and "espa07bathhouse.imc," though they bear little resemblance to the source music heard in the film.

31:07-32:15 "Are you an angel?"

Unreleased

Anakin Skywalker is introduced, and his theme makes its first appearance in this unreleased cue. with the pit droid.

32:15-32:17 "Hit the nose!"

One of a few cues available in the Episode 1 Insider's Guide software CD-ROM, this music is the comic punchline to the above cue, and it's even shorter in the film than it A significant amount of unreis on the CD-ROM.

32:17-33:51 Mos Espa Source Music Unreleased

34:28-35:41 Jar Jar and Sebulba

Heard in the Sony CD as part of track 4, this cue runs on disc from 3:50-5:07, the end of the track, and underscores the scene where Jar Jar gets in trouble with Sebulba and is bailed out by Anakin.

35:41-35:58 Obi-Wan and Panaka

Unreleased

This cue comprises some unison low string writing and some sustained high string chords and links the surrounding cues.

(part 1)

This cue is featured in the Sony CD, track 4, running from 2:05-2:19, where an edit takes place.

36:09-36:19 The Sandstorm

(part 2) Unreleased

These 10 seconds were trimmed out of the Sony CD. There is nothing particularly notable in this brief passage.

36:19-37:07 The Sandstorm (part 3) 37:07-37:56 Meet C-3PO

The Sony CD picks back up here, and the rest of these two cues are presented, from 2:19-3:50.

37:56-38:08 "Naked?!" Unreleased

This cue remains unreleased, and consists of some sustained brass chords and a timpani roll into a shot of a stormy Tatooine village.

38:08-38:24 Sio Bibble's Plea 38:24-38:44 Coruscant Unreleased 38:44-39:12

"At last we shall have revenge..."

The bulk of these three cues, really one continuous cue in the film, can be heard in the *TPM* CD-ROM as file "sqairshafts.imc." The middle 20 seconds are trimmed from this After presenting this theme, the file, however, and remain unre-

cue then segues into Jar Jar mate- leased. These unreleased moments rial, accentuating his comic antics consist of a brassy fanfare that introduces us to the city-planet of Coruscant, heart of the Galactic Republic.

40:00-42:50 The Dinner Scene/ Watto's Shop

Unreleased

leased music comes from scenes on Tatooine, focusing on family-type material, and this cue is one such example. There is warm string writing to underscore the kindness of young Anakin, and gentle woodwinds as well. As the boy convinces everyone he can win the race and help them, a lovely "homestead" theme is heard, before an uplifting statement of Anakin's theme appears. Finally, some string writing lends a bounce to Qui-Gon's step as he marches to Watto's the next day. When Padme questions Qui-Gon's plan, the music slows back down and tails out.

43:41-44:08 Dealing With Watto

Unreleased

The first 20 seconds or so of this cue can be heard, under dialogue and other music, in the "One Will—Queen Amidala" tone poem. The remaining seven seconds have vet to be released and consist of a magical gliss up a bell tree before segueing into the next cue.

44:08-44:22 A Ship in a Desert

This cue is found on the Sony CD, track 11, from 1:37 to 1:52. It is also tracked into the end of the Gungan battle, as all the droids are shut off from the explosion of the control ship. In that appearance, the glockenspiel has been mixed out.

44:22-44:39 "...stuck here a long time..."

Unreleased

Another small snip of unreleased music, this consists mainly of sustained string notes with woodwind phrases played over them, all of a mysterious nature. We then segue back into the CD recording.

44:39-47:35 Qui-Gon and Shmi/Kids at Play

Found on the Sony CD on track 11, from 1:52-4:57, the end of the track.

47:35-47:57 "It's working!"

A second cue found on the *Episode* is used instead. 1 Insider's Guide CD-ROM, this cue is a moving little piece that 52:46-53:57 The Flag Parade underscores the firing up of the pod engines. It has been referred to on the Internet as "Celtic sounding," and can also be heard in the Qui-Gon Jinn tone poem.

47:57-48:58 Night Time

Unreleased

Lasting just over a minute, this cue is actually a continuation of the previous. It features a pseudo-Arabian melody in the oboe before moving into some gentle music and a flute rendition of Anakin's theme. As Qui-Gon has Anakin's blood analyzed, the music becomes darker and more mysterious, leading nicely into the next cue.

48:58-49:54 Darth Maul Arrives on Tatooine

Whispered choral motifs, heard of the film. only in the film version, alert the audience that Darth Maul is nearby, and this music underscores his arrival to Tatooine. Heard in severely edited form as the opening of track 5 on the Sony CD, Reels 4AB, 5AB, 6AB, 7AB the full-length version, minus the choral whispers, can be heard in the TPM CD-ROM as "sqtense1. imc."

49:54-50:53 Mos Espa Source Music

Unreleased

About a minute of source music as Qui-Gon talks to Watto in the next cue begins. Again, this cue seems to be mainly percussive.

50:53-51:59 Watto's Deal

(part 1) 0:00-1:12

51:59-52:22 Watto's Deal

(part 2) Unreleased

52:22-52:33 Watto's Deal

(part 3) 1:12-1:23

This cue appears on the Sony CD, track 11, virtually complete, but there are about 23 seconds, which appear in the film, that are edited out of the soundtrack album.

52:33-52:46 The Probe Droid

ALT: Orig version

There are two versions of this the final tense moments of the cue. The Sony CD contains the original version, which can be heard on track 11, 1:23-1:38. But in the film, the music written for 1:54-2:27, as one long cue. Darth Maul's arrival at Tatooine. "sqtense1.imc" on TPM CD-ROM, 6:34-6:41 Victory

One of the highlights of the score (track 7 on the Sony CD, 1:52-4:04 [end of the track]) and included in expanded form in John Williams' symphonic suite drawn from the score, this cue is actually shorter in the film, having been edited during the final mix.

53:57-55:09 Before the Podrace

Another wonderful cue, with a clever interpolation of Jabba the Hutt's theme in the low brass, this cue is also shortened in the film. Track 9 on the Sony CD, 0:00-1:12 is heard in the film. However, when the contestants fire up their podracer engines, the music ducks out. On CD, it continues until 1:35, the result being a little more than 20 seconds of music left out

PART 2:

4:16-4:26 Anakin Versus Sebulba

Starting at 1:35 of track 9 on the Sony CD, suspenseful orchestra hits coincide with Anakin's pod malfunctions. This continues until 1:54.

4:26-5:52 TRACK: Escape From Naboo

podrace hanger. It fades out as the At this point, the film switches gears and uses tracked music from the "Escape From Naboo" and "The Heroics of R2D2," while the version on the CD appears to be music originally intended for this tracked scene. However, the music on the CD is much shorter than the sequence in the film. The omitted music can be heard on the CD from 1:54 to 2:27.

5:52-6:20 Anakin Defeats Sebulba

Unreleased

This music is currently unreleased, and it is more suspenseful action music in characteristic John Williams style to accompany podrace. I suspect it was originally recorded with the previous cue, heard on the Sony CD track 9,

(part 1)

6:41-7:07 Victory

(part 2) Unreleased 7:07-7:12 Victory

(part 3)

Anakin wins the podrace, and Williams provides celebratory music, the bulk of which is unreleased, although a few moments can be heard on the TPM CD-ROM as the files "sqyay1.imc" and "sqyay2.imc." Neither file presents the entire cue, even when edited. Believe it or not, for two cues that are so short, they were edited quite a bit by the makers of the CD-ROM. (Note: If you win the entire game, you are treated to a computer-graphic cut-scene of the victory parade on Naboo, much like the closing parade in the film. Interestingly enough, the makers of the video game scored the scene with the full version of this cue, rather than the music used in the film, "Augie's Municipal Band." However, the music is obscured by a lot of sound effects and cheering.)

7:12-7:35 "We owe you everything..."

Unreleased

A variation on Anakin's theme, presented in typical fashion in the woodwinds, closing with a lovely harp arpeggio.

7:35-8:20 Mos Espa Source

Unreleased

More of the percussive source music, which plays as Qui-Gon and Watto talk in Watto's stadium box-seat.

8:20-9:32 Back to Mos Espa

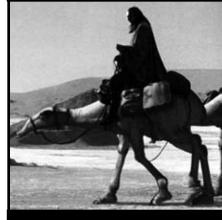
Unreleased

The theme for Qui-Gon Jinn makes its first appearance here, presented in pseudo-classical style in the low strings with woodwind accents. The theme continues until Qui-Gon and Anakin enter the hovel and show Shmi all the money they got for selling the pod. At this point, we are presented with music much like the dinner scene, with a horn motif that is subtly recalled a few cues later.

9:32-10:03 "It's a hard life..."

This cue can be heard in the Episode 1 Insider's Guide. It is a gentle rendering of the Force theme and a variation of the "B" theme of the main title. It clos-









featuring John Williams' characteristic use of a celeste-like synth.

10:03-10:20 Anakin and Shmi

(part 1) Unreleased

The music turns sad and somber as Anakin realizes that following mother.

10:20-10:35 Anakin and Shmi

(part 2) Unreleased

Love—Shmi Skywalker" motif introduced in "Back to Mos bittersweet and moving.

with some sprightly "kiddie" music, Espa," as well as a pretty melody played on an ethnic wooden flute.

10:35-12:30 Anakin and Shmi

(part 3) Unreleased

The lovely flute melody continues as Shmi tells Anakin that she loves him. As Qui-Gon assures Shmi he his dream means he must leave his will look after Anakin, the music warms up, and continues as Anakin bids farewell to C-3PO, ending with a stirring musical gesture over 12:52-13:11 "Don't look back..." 3PO's distress at the possibility of Heard under narration in the "One being sold. As Anakin leaves home, tone he runs back to Shmi, and the poem, this cue features the horn music centers on the woodwinds,

12:30-12:52 "I will come back..."

The TPM CD-ROM file "sqmaulintrocs.imc" contains music heard 13:11-13:23 Darth Maul's Speeder here, under minimal ambient sound effects. The cue begins with the horn motif heard in "Back to Mos Espa" and "Anakin and Shmi (part 2)," before English horn plays a sad melody.

Unreleased

Perhaps the most moving presentation of the Force theme in "The grand orchestral drum cranks the Phantom Menace," this cue can be music up a notch as Qui-Gon and heard under narration in the last Anakin run through the desert.

portion of the "One Love-Shmi Skywalker" tone poem.

Unreleased

Choral whispers return, as well as the snareless drum roll and high strings/woodwind clusters that characterize Darth Maul.

13:23-14:25 Duel in the Desert

TPM CD-ROM file "sqfightmaul1. imc" contains this cue, which begins with low-brass clusters before a

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PART 1: Reels 1AB. 2AB. 3AB

00:00-00:20 Fox Fanfare CD (ROTJ:SE Track 1) 00:26-02:10 Main Title/Arrival at Naboo: CD_track_1_0:00-1:48 02:10-03:30 Aboard the Federation Battleship:

GAME, sqtense2.imc

03:30-04:52 Nemoidians/ The Jedi Wait/Darth Sidious:

GAME, sqeerie.imc 04:52-05:05

Destroying the Republic Ship/The Gas: GAME, sqfedshipintrocs.imc

05:05-05:33 "Dioxisin!":

Unreleased, 0:28

05:33-05:45 Jedi Fight (part 1):

GAME, sqdroidfightloop.imc

05:45-05:59 Jedi Fight (part 2):

Unreleased, 0:14

05:59-07:09 Jedi Fight (part 3):

GAME, sqdroidfightloop.imc sqdroidfightend.imc

07:09-08:39

Amidala Confronts the Nemoidians:

CD. track 13 2:52-4:23

08:39-09:30

Message From Palpatine (part 1):

GAME, sqtheed.imc

Message From Palpatine (part 2):

CD, track 13 4:23-4:51 (end)

09:30-10:18 The Invasion Begins:

CD, track 14 1:05-1:44 (last chord: GAME, sqdanger1.imc)

(11:27-12:36) Jar Jar Binks:

OMIT, track 4 0:00-1:08

12:36-13:31 Otoh Gunga: CD, track 4 1:08-2:05

13:31-17:55 Boss Nass/The Bongo (part 1):

CD. track 10 0:00-4:39 (end)

17:58-18:57

Darth Sidious II/The Bongo (part 2):

CD (shortened in film). track 14 3:45-4:57

19:08-19:47 The Bongo (part 3):

CD, track 14 2:08-2:47

19:47-20:23 "Ah, victory...":

CD, track 14 2:47-3:20

20:23-20:41 "Dis'n loverly...": Unreleased, 0:18

20:41-21:45 Captured Queen:

GAME, sqtheedstalk.imc

21:45-22:28 Bombad Jedi:

GAME, sqtheedattack.imc

22:28-23:37

"They will kill you if you stay...":

Unreleased, 1:09

23:37-24:05 Freeing the Pilots:

CD, track 12 2:40-3:23

24:05-24:44 Escape From Naboo:

GAME, sqfight1.imc

24:44-25:56 The Heroics of R2D2:

CD. track 15 0:13-1:29

25:56-26:51

To Tatooine/Darth Sidious and Maul:

Unreleased, 0:55

26:51-27:04 The Queen's Ship:

GAME, sqscary1.imc

27:45-28:40 Padme and Jar Jar/Tatooine:

CD, track 7 0:00-0:53

28:40-28:56 Mos Espa (part 1):

OMIT, track 7 0:53-1:06

28:56-29:02 Mos Espa (part 2):

CD, track 7 1:06-1:14

29:02-29:33 Mos Espa (part 3):

GAME, sqespa1.imc *track has sfx

29:33-29:55 Mos Espa (part 4):

CD, track 7 1:14-1:52

29:55-30:30 Mos Espa Source Music:

Unreleased, 0:35

31:07-32:15 "Are you an angel?":

Unreleased, 1:08

32:15-32:17 "Hit the nose!":

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32:17-33:51 Mos Espa Source Music:

Unreleased, 1:34

34:28-35:41 Jar Jar and Sebulba:

CD, track 4 3:50-5:07 (end) 35:41-35:58 Obi-Wan and Panaka:

Unreleased, 0:17

35:58-36:09 The Sandstorm (part 1):

CD. track 4 2:05-2:19 36:09-36:19 The Sandstorm (part 2):

Unreleased, 0:10

36:19-37:07 The Sandstorm (part 3):

CD, track 4 2:19-3:01

37:07-37:56 Meet C-3PO:

CD, track 4 3:01-3:50

37:56-38:08 "Naked?!":

Unreleased, 0:12

38:08-38:24 Sio Bibble's Plea:

GAME, sqairshafts.imc 38:24-38:44 Coruscant:

Unreleased, 0:20

38:44-39:12

"At last we shall have revenge...":

GAME, sqairshafts.imc

40:00-42:50 The Dinner Scene/Watto's Shop: Unreleased, 2:50

43:41-44:08 Dealing With Watto:

Unreleased, "One Will" TV AD 0:27

44:08-44:22 A Ship in a Desert:

CD, track 11 1:37-1:52 44:22-44:39 ."..stuck here a long time...":

Unreleased, 0:17 44:39-47:35 Qui-Gon and Shmi/Kids at Play:

CD, track 11 1:52-4:57 (end) 47:35-47:57 "It's working!":

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Unreleased, 1:01

48:58-49:54 Darth Maul Arrives on Tatooine:

GAME, sqtense1.imc

49:54-50:53 Mos Espa Source Music:

Unreleased, 0:59

50:53-51:59 Watto's Deal (part 1):

CD, track 11 0:00-1:12

51:59-52:22 Watto's Deal (part 2):

Unreleased, 0:23

52:22-52:33 Watto's Deal (part 3):

CD, track 11 1:12-1:23 52:33-52:46 The Probe Droid:

GAME, sqtense1.imc

ALT: Orig version: CD, track 11 1:23-1:38

52:46-53:57 The Flag Parade:

CD, (shortened in film)

track 7 1:52-4:04 (end)

53:57-55:09 Before the Podrace:

CD, track 9 0:00-1:12

(omitted music) (track 9) (1:12-1:35)

PART 2: Reels 4AB, 5AB, 6AB, 7AB

4:16-4:26 Anakin Versus Sebulba:

CD, track 9 1:35-1:54

4:26-5:52 TRACK: Escape From Naboo:

GAME/CD. (omitted music) (track 9) (1:54-2:27)

5:52-6:20 Anakin Defeats Sebulba:

Unreleased, 0:28 6:34-6:41 Victory (part 1):

GAME, sqyay1.imc

6:41-7:07 Victory (part 2):

Unreleased, 0:26

7:07-7:12 Victory (part 3): GAME, sqyay2.imc

7:12-7:35 "We owe you everything...": Unreleased, 0:26

7:35-8:20 Mos Espa Source:

Maul arrives, swordplay ensues, Gon's theme before the woodwind 0:00-1:07. classy presentation complete with glockenspiel. The main Star Wars theme even makes an appearance 14:49-14:53 Anakin Meets Obi-Wan as the Queen's ship lifts off. The music changes color as Qui-Gon leaps to safety and Darth Maul watches our heroes escape from the desert world of Tatooine.

14:25-14:49 Anakin Meets Obi-Wan

(part 1) Unreleased

These 24 seconds are edited out 15:24-16:00 of the track as it appears on the Padme Views the Transmission TPM CD-ROM, and consists of a These two cues are presented on Anakin's theme through his con-

and Qui-Gon's theme is given a section plays with the Force theme as Anakin meets Obi-Wan.

(part 2)

The brassy flourish that closes this cue can be heard in the TPM CD-ROM as the end of "sqfightmaul1. Queen's troubles. imc."

14:53-15:24 Sio Bibble and Nute Gunrav

16:00-16:20 Padme and Anakin

(part 1) Unreleased

This 20-second cue was edited out of the Sony CD. Woodwind gestures dance around Anakin's theme as Padme tells of the

16:20-17:08 Padme and Anakin

17:08-18:04 Arrival at Coruscant

clarinet somberly presenting Qui- track 13 of the Sony CD, from versation with Padme, then the perate situation in the Republic.

brass fanfare and colorful string writing that signifies the arrival at Coruscant. All can be heard on track 13 from 1:07-2:52.

18:04-18:48 Arrival at Coruscant

The TPM CD-ROM file "sqbigcity.imc" contains music heard after the low string figure that closes Sony CD track 1, and is heard again at 2:52 on track 13. It continues through the meeting on the landing platform and into The Sony CD resumes here with Palpatine's quarters, ending as the Senator tells Amidala of the des-

Unreleased, 0:45

8:20-9:32 Back to Mos Espa:

Unreleased, 1:12

9:32-10:03 "It's a hard life...":

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10:03-10:20 Anakin and Shmi (part 1):

Unreleased, 0:17

10:20-10:35 Anakin and Shmi (part 2):

Unreleased, "One Love" spot 0:15

10:35-12:30 Anakin and Shmi (part 3):

Unreleased, 1:55

12:30-12:52 "I will come back...":

GAME, sqmaulintrocs.imc *track has sfx

12:52-13:11 "Don't look back...":

Unreleased, "One Love" spot 0:19

13:11-13:23 Darth Maul's Speeder:

Unreleased, 0:12

13:23-14:25 Duel in the Desert:

GAME, sqfightmaul1.imc

14:25-14:49 Anakin Meets Obi-Wan (part 1):

Unreleased, 0:24

14:49-14:53 Anakin Meets Obi-Wan (part 2):

GAME, sqfightmaul1.imc

14:53-15:24 Sio Bibble and Nute Gunray:

CD. track 13 0:00-0:33

15:24-16:00 Padme Views the Transmission:

CD, track 13 0:33-1:07

16:00-16:20 Padme and Anakin (part 1):

Unreleased, 0:20

16:20-17:08 Padme and Anakin (part 2):

CD, track 13 1:07-1:55

17:08-18:04 Arrival at Coruscant (part 1):

CD, track 13 1:55-2:52

18:04-18:48 Arrival at Coruscant (part 2):

GAME, sqbigcity.imc

19:40-20:14

"That is something I cannot do..":

GAME, sqpalpatine.imc

*track has sfx

20:14-21:52 The Jedi Council:

Unreleased, 1:38

21:52-22:40 Anakin and the Queen:

Unreleased, 0:48

23:55-25:32 The Senate/Jedi Balcony:

Unreleased, 1:37

25:32-28:37

Anakin Is Tested/The Queen's Decision:

Unreleased, 3:05

28:37-32:13 The Chosen One/Midichlorians:

CD, track 8 0:00-3:53

32:13-32:39

Darth Sidious Sends Maul to Naboo:

Unreleased, 0:26

32:39-34:43 Back to Naboo (part 1):

CD, track 6 0:00-2:06

34:43-35:00 Back to Naboo (part 2):

Unreleased, 0:17

35:00-35:33

Audience With Boss Nass (part 1):

CD, track 6 2:06-2:38

35:33-35:56

Audience With Boss Nass (part 2):

GAME, sqgarden.imc *track has

sfx

35:56-37:18

Audience With Boss Nass (part 3):

CD, track 6 2:38-4:07

37:18-37:38 "An unexpected move...":

Unreleased, 0:20

37:38-38:12 Battle Plans (part 1):

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38:12-39:39 Battle Plans (part 2):

Unreleased, 1:27

39:39-40:05 "Wipe them out...":

Unreleased, 0:26

40:05-40:36 The Gungan March:

CD, track 14 0:00-0:31

40:36-40:51 TRACK: Message From Palpatine:

CD, track 13 4:08-4:23

41:16-41:35 Naboo Courtyard:

Unreleased, 0:19

41:36-41:55 The Fighting Begins:

Unreleased, (flourish) 0:19

41:55-42:01 "This is too close...": TRACK:Jedi Fight

sqdroidfightloop.imc

42:01-42:17

Entering the Hangar—Anakin Hides:

CD, track 12 0:36-0:54

42:17-42:52 The Ships Lift Off:

CD, track 12 0:00-0:36

42:52-43:00 Back in the Hangar:

Unreleased, unknown 0:08 43:00-43:04

Engaging the Federation Battleship (part 1):

CD, track 5 0:21-0:25

43:04-43:08

Engaging the Federation Battleship (part 2):

CD, track 5 2:16-2:20

43:08-43:16

Engaging the Federation Battleship (part 3):

CD, track 5 2:22-2:30 44:04-44:47 Activating the Battle Droids:

CD, track 14 0:31-1:05

44:47-45:13 "Stay in that cockpit...":

CD, track 12 1:10-1:43

45:13-45:25 Darth Maul:

CD, track 15 0:00-0:13

45:25-45:59 Drawing Swords (part 1):

CD, track 2 0:39-0:43 45:29-45:38 Drawing Swords (part 2):

CD, track 2 2:17-2:25

45:38-45:49 Drawing Swords (part 3): Unreleased -matches track 2

w/o choir 2:55-3:07 45:49-45:59 Drawing Swords (part 4):

CD, track 2 3:07-3:22

45:59-46:46 Anakin Takes Off:

CD, track 12 1:57-2:40

46:46-47:16 The Jedi Versus Sith (part 1): CD, track 2 2:37-3:07

47:16-47:26 The Jedi Versus Sith (part 2):

CD, track 2 (edited) 3:07-3:22

47:26-47:31 Gunfight in the Hallway (part 1): CD, track 2 2:17-2:19 (loop)

47:31-47:44 Gunfight in the Hallway (part 2):

CD, track 2 2:19-2:37 (edit)

47:44-49:40 The Battles Continue: CD, track 5 0:26-2:31

49:40-49:48 Ascension Guns (part 1):

CD, track 2 0:58-1:02 (2x)

49:48-49:54 Ascension Guns (part 2):

CD. track 2 1:15-1:21

49:54-50:00 Ascension Guns (part 3):

CD, track 2 1:58-2:04

50:00-50:27 Dueling on the Catwalks (part 1):

CD, track 2 3:07-3:35

50:27-50:51 Dueling on the Catwalks (part 2): CD, track 2 3:43-4:09

51:05-51:18 The Energy Shields:

Unreleased, 0:13

51:18-52:50 The Gungans Retreat:

CD, track 9 2:27-4:13

52:50-53:31 Anakin Crashes on the Federation Ship:

GAME, sagripping1.imc

53:31-55:46 Qui-Gon's Noble End:

CD, track 15 1:29-3:47

(54:01-54:18)

Manic Flutes and Piccolo Overdub:

GAME, sqgripping1.imc (top)

56:27-57:54

Anakin Destroys the Federation Ship:

GAME, sqreactor.imc

57:54-58:10 TRACK:

A Ship in the Desert (remixed): CD, track 11 1:37-1:52

58:14-58:29 Obi-Wan Comes of Age: Unreleased, 15 sec Amidala Ad

58:29-59:36 The Death of Darth Maul:

GAME, sqmaulde athloop.imc

The Death of Qui-Gon Jinn:

GAME, sqquigondeath.imc 59:36-1:02:31

Palpatine Arrives on Naboo/ Yoda and Obi-Wan Kenobi/

Funeral for Qui-Gon Jinn:

CD track 16 0:00-3:08 1:02:31-1:03:51 Naboo Parade:

CD, track 17 0:00-1:24 1:03:51-end End Credits:

CD, track 17 1:24-9:38

19:40-20:14

"That is something I cannot do..."

This cue, found as file "sqpalpatine.imc" with ambient sound effects on the TPM CD-ROM, is heard as the Queen tells Palpatine she will not let the corruption of the Senate compromise the well being of her people. (Note: The track on the game has looped the opening phrase so that it features a repeat not heard in the film.)

20:14-21:52 The Jedi Council

Unreleased

This is some cool, dark synth music that accompanies Qui-Gon's description of the Sith warrior he fought on the desert world, and continuing as he tells of the "vergence in the Force." The music marches out of the room. lightens considerably at one point, and we are presented with Anakin's theme, as usual voiced primarily by woodwinds. The cue concludes with a variation of the horn motif heard during the scenes where Anakin says goodbye to his mother.

21:52-22:40 Anakin and the Oueen

Unreleased

This unreleased cue is suspenseful and pensive, somewhat dark, though softening a bit as the Queen reassures Anakin, then darkening up and swelling in orchestration as we travel to the Senate Chamber.

23:55-25:32 The Senate/Jedi Balcony

Unreleased

Dark music is introduced as the Queen runs into a bureaucratic roadblock in the Senate. This dark music continues as Valorum is ousted from office. In the next scene. balcony at sunset, and the score is somewhat active for a scene with textural writing. (From a compositional point of view, I have been intrigued by this cue since I first saw a clip on TV, weeks before the film opened. The score carries the 34:43-35:00 Back to Naboo drama of the Senate into Qui-Gon (part 2) Unreleased there...)

25:32-28:37 Anakin Is Tested/ The Oueen's Decision

Unreleased

Continuing arguably the longest

chunk of unreleased music in the film, we now watch (and listen) as Anakin is tested before the Jedi council. Mysterious and varied orchestrations of Anakin's theme are heard, underscoring Anakin's fear and longing for his mother. The Force theme pops up when Yoda talks about fear and hate and suffering, then strings take over, brightening at first, then darkening considerably as Jar Jar and the Queen discuss the somber future of the residents of Naboo. The tone lifts again as Palpatine enters, happy with his nomination as Supreme Chancellor. Then it's dark once more when Amidala voices her plan to return to Naboo. The energy picks up as everyone

28:37-32:13 The Chosen One/Midichlorians

This cue appears on the Sony CD in its entirety, without edits, on track 8.

32:13-32:39 Darth Sidious Sends Maul to Naboo Unreleased

More of the Sidious theme. I wouldn't be surprised if this was a tracking of the cue "Darth Sidious" from the opening of the film, the orchestration is that similar. It is 26 seconds long.

32:39-34:43 Back to Naboo (part 1)

The heroes return to Naboo, and this cue underscores their journev. Strong writing in the strings and brass accentuates the military underpinnings of the Queen and her entourage. A strong brass fanfare signifies the landing on Naboo, and characteristic John Qui-Gon and Obi-Wan talk on the Williams orchestrations and harmonies support Qui-Gon and Obi-Wan as they discuss the future and two people talking. No signifigant make amends for the past. Finally, themes, but rather, appropriate comical music appears as Jar Jar returns from his inspection of Otoh Gunga. Sony CD track 6, 0:00-2:06.

and Obi-Wan's conversation quite Approximately 17 seconds of texa bit, creating about a five-sec- tural music were edited out of the ond overlap. Interesting spotting CD track at this point. In the film, the music underscores Jar Jar and Panaka as they discuss what has happened to all the Gungans who deserted the underwater city.

35:00-35:33

Audience With Boss Nass (part 1) 35:33-35:56

Audience With Boss Nass (part 2) 35:56-37:18

Audience With Boss Nass (part 3) This cue appears virtually "as is" on the Sony CD, track 6, with the exception of the 23 seconds of music (which can be heard in the 41:36-41:55 The Fighting Begins TPM CD-ROM in file "sggarden. Unreleased imc," with ambient sound effects) 2:38. At this point, the Sony CD

37:18-37:38

"An unexpected move..." Unreleased Another 20 seconds of unreleased imc"—an omitted cue). music. Nothing too melodically textural.

37:38-38:12 Battle Plans (part 1)

Serving as the score for one of the "Behind the Scenes" movies in the Episode 1 Insider's Guide, this cue appears in the film as heavy re-editing of the picture late the Gungans announce Panaka's return from Theed and Anakin after the music had already been runs to tell the Queen. Meanwhile, Boss Nass promotes Jar Jar to the rank of Bombad General. This cue reminds me of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

38:12-39:39 Battle Plans

(part 2) Unreleased

This cue covers the dialogue-driven scene as Amidala outlines her plan for the retaking of Theed. Once again, John Williams uses orchestral texture, rather than melody, to underscore the scene. Effective writing, if perhaps unremarkable. The cue ends with a clarinet phrase reminiscent of Return of the Jedi.

39:39-40:05

"Wipe them out..." Unreleased

Twenty-six seconds of dark brass texture before a small flourish segues directly into the next cue.

40:05-40:36 The Gungan March

This cue is found on the Sony CD, track 14, 0:00-0:31.

40:36-40:51 Message From Palpatine

As the Gungans power up their shield generator, the score reverts to an earlier cue, which can be heard on the Sony CD, track 13, from 4:08-4:23. I presume this is not how John Williams intended to score this scene.

41:16-41:35 Naboo Courtyard

Unreleased

About 20 seconds of "sneakingaround" music.

The "Duel of the Fates" motif that were edited out of the CD at makes its first appearance in the score in this cue, a short burst continues to the end of the track, of energy as the first moments of battle take place. The opening flourish sounds like the same one heard at the very beginning of "The Bongo (part 3)" ("sqfight5.

From this point on, until the distinctive, but rather, dark and cue "The Energy Shields," the score becomes heavily edited and fragmented. It is my opinion that virtually all of the music in these scenes is cut into the film differently than John Williams originally conceived it. I attribute this to in the post-production process, recorded. Ken Wannberg alludes to this in an interview, as does John Williams in MIX magazine.

41:55-42:01 "This is too close..."

This short segment is six seconds long and is tracked in from the cue "Jedi Fight," found on the TPM CD-ROM as "sqdroidfightloop.imc."

42:01-42:17 Entering the Hangar—Anakin Hides 42:17-42:52 The Ships Lift Off

These two cues are pulled from Sony CD track 12, in opposite order than they appear in the film. The first runs from 0:36-0:54, the second from 0:00-0:36.

42:52-43:00 Back in the Hangar

Unreleased

Eight seconds of action music, punctuated by xylophone.

43:00-43:04

Engaging the Federation Battleship (part 1)

43:04-43:08

Engaging the Federation Battleship (part 2)

43:08-43:16

Engaging the Federation Battleship

(part 3)

These three cues are really one, edited version of track 5 from the Sony CD, using 0:21-0:25, 2:16-2:20, and 2:22-2:30.

44:04-44:47 Activating the Battle Droids

From the Sony CD, track 14, 0:31-1:05.

44:47-45:13 "Stay in that cockpit..." From the Sony CD, track 12, 1:10-1:43.

45:13-45:25 Darth Maul

From the Sony CD, track 15, 0:00-0:13.

45:25-45:59 Drawing Swords (part 1) 45:29-45:38 Drawing Swords (part 2) Edits of material from the Sony CD, track 2, 0:39-0:43 and 2:17-2:25. (Note: This recording of "Duel of the Fates" was originally intended to be used solely in the end credits and as a concert arrangement, but according to a recent interview with Ken Wannberg, George Lucas liked it so much he began tracking it in all the sword fighting scenes.)

45:38-45:49 Drawing Swords

 $(part\ 3)\ Unreleased$

This cue is unreleased, but it matches track 2 from 2:55 to 3:07. It is essentially the same music, simply instrumental, without the choir.

45:49-45:59 Drawing Swords (part 4) More material from Sony CD track 2, 3:07-3:22.

45:59-46:46 Anakin Takes Off

From Sony CD, track 12, 1:57-2:40.

46:46-47:16 The Jedi Versus Sith (part 1)

47:16-47:26 The Jedi Versus Sith

47:26-47:31 Gunfight in the Hallway

47:31-47:44 Gunfight in the Hallway (part 2)

Material pulled from Sony CD track 2. First is 2:37-3:07, which underscores the Jedi duel. Next is 3:07-3:22, which continues this

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PHANTOM MENACE CD

ntil Sony or Lucas decides to release a definitive presentation of John Williams' score to *The Phantom Menace*, we are left to our own devices to enjoy the score as we see fit. Fortunately, home computers provide the necessary tools to do just that.

You will need:

- Windows computer (recommend at least 1GB available hard drive space; I'm sure you can also do this with a Mac, I just haven't tried it).
- CD recorder
- Editing Software: (I used Cool Edit, available for download from www.syntrillium.com)
- SCUMM Revisited: (available for download from www.mixnmojo.com/scumm/scummrev/).
- Audio ripper software
- CD recording software

STEP 1

The program SCUMM Revisited allows you to convert the *.imc files on the **TPM** (CD-ROM into *.wav files, at 16-bit, 22khz. Once they are in *.wav format, they will need to be "bumped up" to 44.1khz to be edited in with the material from the Sony CD. So, I suggest first converting and "bumping up" the needed files from **TPM** (CD-ROM.

After downloading and installing the SCUMM, select "browse" and choose the file you wish to open from your hard drive. The **Phantom Menace** files should be in "Program Files/LucasArts/The Phantom Menace/ Music." When you select the file, there will be a warning that SCUMM does not recognize the file. Ignore this warning and press okay, then click on "iMUS" in the SCUMM window. This opens up the "play/decompress to .WAV" buttons. If you do not see these buttons, click/drag on a corner of the SCUMM window to reveal the "play/decompress" buttons. Click on "play" to hear the file, or "decompress" to create the *.wav file.

STEP 1b

I could not find a program to convert the audio from the *Episode 1 Insider's Guide*, so I plugged a DAT player into my sound card and recorded the audio I needed to a DAT, then in a separate operation, recorded the sound from the DAT back into my PC. Not quite as elegant as the *TPM* CD-ROM files.

STEP 2

Audio "rippers" are programs that enable you to copy a track from an audio CD to your computer's hard drive as a *.wav file, an *.mp3 file or in any variety of formats. My CD-recording software (Adaptec EZ-CD Creator v3.5) comes with a "ripping" utility built in. Now you must transfer all the CD files you need to hard drive. If you are dealing with limited hard drive

space, you might want to do one track at a time.

STEP 3

Download and install Cool Edit. You can also use Cakewalk Pro Audio or Sound Forge, or of course, Pro Tools. I recommend Cool Edit only because it is affordable shareware, and you don't have to be a sound engineer to get around in it.

STEP 4

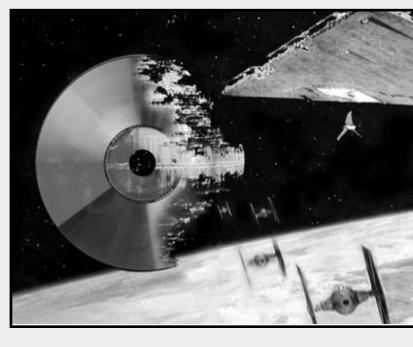
Time to "bump up" the files from **TPM** CD-ROM. Open the file in Cool Edit, then select "EDIT/convert sample type," change the file to be 16-bit/44.1khz and set the quality as high you can.

STEP 5

Here's the fun part, or the hard part, depending on your inclination. Begin editing the tracks, using fade-ins and fade-outs; configure the mix paste function, the most helpful tool in Cool Edit, for "overlap." For my CD, I preferred to use the Sony tracks as much as possible, since they do sound better than the **TPM** CD-ROM tracks. Experiment with different methods; I think you'll find that you can cut together files pretty nicely. It can be tricky segueing from one file to another, but you'll get the hang of it.

STEP 6

Once you've edited together the different files to create your own



"compiled" files, it's time to burn them to CD. Now you've got your own "Special Edition" **Phantom Menace** CD.

Hopefully, this will not dissuade Sony or Lucas from releasing more music from *The Phantom Menace* on CD. Rather, we hope to demonstrate the passion for this music among fans of John Williams and Star Wars.

The sound quality of the game files is not as good as those of the Sony CD, so a second volume of music would not be redundant. And don't go making and selling "bootlegs" either, or we'll never get a good release.

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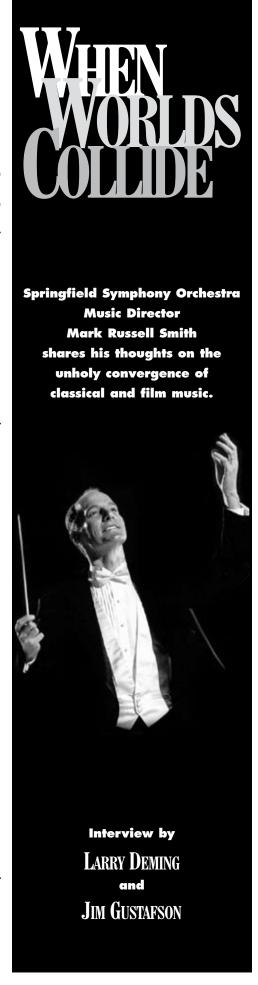
Violist Larry Deming and violinist
Jim Gustafson sat down with conductor Mark Russell Smith before
their "March Movie Madness"
concert, which included selections
from Ben-Hur, Gone With the Wind, Dances With
Wolves, Psycho, The Sea Hawk, The Sons of Katie
Elder, The Cowboys, Breakfast at Tiffany's, Star
Wars and more. Here's a little of
what he had to say:

JG: In which movies do you think the score actually makes the movie?

MRS: Well, look, Steven Spielberg is a genius, so you wouldn't say that the films would fail without the music but certainly the John Williams/Steven Spielberg combination is unique and they just play off of each other. I was just reading about Psycho, about Bernard Herrmann-in the shower scene originally Hitchcock didn't want music in it. But Bernard Herrmann was so sure that his music was absolutely perfect for that, that he dubbed it in on the run-through and it convinced Hitchcock. Somehow he snuck it in there—so there's a perfect example. Psycho is a much stronger film because of the music in creating the drama.

JG: How do you compare the work of some of these film score composers to the mainstream classical composers?

MRS: Well, you look at a Korngold and you look at a Bernard Herrmann and they're just products of their time in a lot of ways. Korngold wrote concertos and symphonies and all that, and had he not had to come over here and make a living, he may not have been a film composer. The fact that he used his incredible talents for movie music certainly enhances those films a great deal. There's no difference in quality with people like that. And then there are guys who write really bad film scores, or who are not as good musicians who certainly couldn't write classically for orchestra. I haven't heard a lot of serious or non-movie pieces of John Williams. Like I said in the rehearsal, this sounds great. He can put it together, it sounds great, it fits perfectly, he's a brilliant orchestrator. If he put his mind to it he probably could have been a great symphonist. But again, he's a product of his time, too. He



just has a natural gift for orchestration and drama. He's such an incredible success with these film scores.

JG: Do you feel some of the scores stand on their own as concert pieces without necessarily being referenced to the film?

MRS: I would say the ones that are specifically written as overtures. You know, I think actually John Williams adapted The Cowboys Overture and made it a concert piece using themes from the film—I don't think it's written in the film exactly like that, because it has a structure to it, so that certainly stands alone. The Sea Hawk Overture certainly does. There are pieces that are less successful standing alone. Dances With Wolves was a very good score. It fit when you have these wide open spaces on the screen in front of you, but there's not much to it harmonically or orchestrationally. Standing alone as a concert piece doesn't work so much. The "Parade of the Charioteers" from Ben-Hur—that works great. It's really great sounding. There's another example: Rózsa, who wrote a lot of concert pieces too, but that Ben-Hur sounds so great.

JG: Sometimes I think that some of the greater talents this century are attracted to film just because you get your music out in the public and you get income from it. Wouldn't Beethoven have written for films if they'd had films?

MRS: Who knows? Mahler certainly might have. Maybe Beethoven would've too.

JG: Well, he wrote for that nickelodeon machine.

MRS: Right. Well, and Mozart—he was writing singspiels and he was writing party music and all that. You bet, he would be writing film music and probably pretty well. Yeah it's true. This is a genre that just didn't exist for the classical and romantic composers. I would say some of the most talented composers are writing for film. Guys like Corigliano have written, didn't he...what did he write?

LD: Altered States and The Red Violin.

MRS: Right, *The Red Violin*. That's a perfect example. So some big name composers do that too. Copland did. Copland wrote *The Red Pony*, and there's a piece called *Music for Film*. Who else—Bernstein—well, they made *West Side Story* into a film.

LD: On the Waterfront.

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SCORE

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Jesus: The Epic Miniseries ★★★ 1/2

PATRICK WILLIAMS Angel 7243 5 56984 2 1 18 tracks - 50:15

atrick Williams wanted his Jesus: The Epic Miniseries thematic material to be "very straightforward (and) very transparent." He succeeds at writing a simple and memorable main Jesus theme, but the score as a whole is perhaps too straightforward. The Jesus theme is biblical enough (short, unornamented, homophonic and chordal) and is well developed. At times, Jesus sounds like he may be from outer space (and how far off is that?) or a little too American (the unfair but noted stereotype of the noble, solo trumpet). But it's undoubtedly difficult to score a vast figure like Jesus without stepping on someone's turf. As the score progresses, the main theme takes on a slight Jerry Goldsmith character (orchestrationally as well)—it's like The Edge, but even simpler. The theme can also be likened to an orchestral version of Mark Knopfler's mythic and courageous theme for Mandy Patinkin in The Princess Bride.

While the main theme is a staple, Williams' subsidiary ideas get their fair share of play time. "Walking and Water" uses contrapuntal, arpeggiating string lines (at varying speeds) that contrast the rhythmically benign Jesus theme. This material sounds more like Barry or Horner than Goldsmith or Patrick Williams, but it's appropriately mythic and repeated effectively throughout the score. The powerful two-voice brass passage of "Gethsemane" is also a welcome contrast to the Jesus theme. If only there were more ideas like it, the album would not seem as heavily weighted. In fact, the main problem with Williams' score is the heavy-handed nature of some of the writing. Most of this is due to the recording and

the orchestration, as the rhythms and harmonies are essentially simple and uncluttered. "The Crucifixion" opens with orchestral swooning bordering on melodrama, but without its thick orchestration it would sound controlled and pristine.

Patrick Williams' Jesus: The Epic Miniseries is a solid effort, but the composer is likely still damning the day that he chose a trumpet to be the primary voice of the Jesus theme. They should have sent their loser trumpet player packing (even at great cost) as he/she is a terrible stain on an otherwise acceptably performed album. Almost every entrance is sloppy, even though the range is perfectly reasonable—they should have found someone who knows how to stay warm. If you're questioning this criticism, check out the entrance at 4:21 of track 11, or 2:33 of "Crucifixion," where it sounds like they had to splice two cues together because of the trumpet's ineptitude. Maybe they should have done this more often. The number of flubs is astounding-as long as the player doesn't breathe after his initial entrance, it's fine. Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Pie Jesu" is included on the album. Note: Do not confuse this attractive blue album with the red Jesus song compilation album you're more likely to find in stores.

—Jesus Weinstein

The Adventures of Superman ★★★ ¹/2

VARIOUS

Varèse Sarabande 302 066 093 2 35 tracks - 72:14

he Adventures of Superman hails from the early days of broadcast TV, even before budding composers like Williams and Goldsmith started earning their chops doing series work. Back in the '50s, few TV shows could afford to have music specially written and recorded for them, and The Adventures of Superman

was no exception. Music for the show was compiled from a number of recording houses that specialized in culling music cues (mostly from obscure motion pictures), and re-recording and re-arranging them for availability to numerous television shows and low-budget movies. The music was tracked over and over again from different sources and in different guises, taking on an eerie familiarity to viewers.

An Adventures of Superman soundtrack album has long been a fan's dream, but the difficulty of tracking down the original library cues used in the series always stymied the project. Producer and Superman expert Paul Mandell spent years of research locating the original tracks from the Mutel library used in the series' original black-and-white seasons, and the result (compiled with veteran soundtrack producer Bruce Kimmel) is an album packed with more than 70 minutes of bristling, suspenseful orchestral cues from the series. The blackand-white episodes were roughand-tumble affairs mostly dealing with organized crime, and the music cues (originally written by composer Herschel Gordon Gilbert and others for movies like Open Secret, a gangland drama, and other potboilers) had a dank, brutal quality that made the series' tone surprisingly adult. This was in direct contrast to the bright, stirring "Superman" fanfare and title theme (whose original source is now shrouded in mystery) that opened and closed the show.

With cue titles like "Creeping Mysterioso," "Mounting Drama" and "Cue for String Orchestra," it's clear that this music is generic. But like most pre-'70s TV music, it's amazingly dynamic and exciting compared to the droning crap that accompanies most shows today. "The Skeleton," "Creeping

Mysterioso," "Murder Will Out" and "A Nightmare" offer shrill, often unbearably foreboding suspense music climaxing in "Beating Heart," a throbbing piece for low strings and brass. "Brawl" features an exciting brass figure that will be instantly familiar to anyone who watched more than a few episodes of this show or any other TV adventure series from the '50s. According to Mandell, the "Superman" theme (which shows up in "Just in Time," "Shadows on the Wall" and "The Battle") may have been a variation of a cavalry charge motif written for a movie dealing with American Indians;



several cues (notably "Mounting Drama") feature music that could easily accompany footage of Native American tribes. There are oddball touches in other tracks, including one that opens with a quote from Brahms' First Symphony and another ("Hit and Run!") that ends with an orchestral rendition of a child's "nah nah na naaah nah" taunt. The action cues like "Brawl." "The Battle" and "Revenge" are worth the price of admission, but there are also lovely cues like "Smallville Pastorale" to vary the material. If there's a complaint, it's that the sound on the opening and closing title music (the most recognizable music from the show, after all) is terrible, and it was apparently

impossible to find the title music without the accompanying narration and sound effects. It's a shame because the sound on the remaining bulk of library cues is amazingly good. Die-hard fans of this show will have to own this CD, and they'll be hoping against hope that Varèse continues the series with music from the show's later seasons.

—Jeff Bond

Hanging Up ★★★

DAVID HIRSCHFELDER Varèse Sarabande 302 066 120 2 18 tracks - 44:44

avid Hirschfelder has been associated with acclaimed projects over the past several years, ranging from *Shine* (1996) to *Sliding Doors* and *Elizabeth* (both 1998). Unfortunately, his résumé now bears the stain of *Hanging Up*, the new Diane Keaton/Nora Ephron bomb. Hirschfelder's score is serviceable, but isn't likely to win him recognition.

The main (and only?) Hanging Up theme is clean and instantly identifiable. It has a manic David Newman vibe and is based on an alternating 7/8 and 4/4 meter. Despite the mixed meter, Hirschfelder's use of pedals and the consistent pounding of every conceivable eighth-note keeps the idea simple. These tricks disguise the changing meter to the point where Diane Keaton and Nora Ephron would not need to find something strange or wrong with it. The theme vaguely resembles New Age Japanese music, but otherwise seems at home supporting the subject matter of this film.

Hirschfelder doesn't do much else with the score. There's plenty of Alan Silvestri nostalgia in tracks like "Flashback-Eve Crashes" and "Eve and Ogmed," and "Drive to Hospital" sounds suspiciously like "Thomas and David Newman Drive to Hospital." "Memory Lane" offers a nice combination of harp, piano and percussion, but there's something inherently dull about all this underscore, whereby nothing noticeable ever happens despite the lively orchestrations. The theme is used profusely (effectively mixing baroque and classical elements in "Conference Call") but isn't spectacular enough on its own to make an entertaining album. Several score tracks are labeled "different version than appears in film," so some care did go into preparing the material for album release. The horrifically bland choices of hackneyed classic songs for Ephron movies continue with *Hanging Up*. Four songs encompass over 14 minutes on this album.

The Hurricane $\star\star\star$ 1/2

CHRISTOPHER YOUNG MCA 088 112 235-2 15 tracks - 51:47

■ hristopher Young rarely gets the opportunity to score a high-profile film, but when he does, he makes the most of it. The haunting and memorable Jennifer 8 and the noble Murder in the First are two of his biggest and best scores. But as anticipated as these movies were, they failed to register with the movie-going public. Young's latest shot at film score stardom comes packaged with The Hurricane, which, like Murder in the First, is a prison drama. This time around, the hero is real-life boxer Reuben Hurricane Carter. Although Denzel Washington acts brilliantly, the movie ultimately turns out to be a standard, onesided courtroom drama with cardboard villains and saintly heroes.

There is nothing ordinary, however, about Young's score, which is more three-dimensional than most of the film's characters. The music shows a remarkable maturity in its combined uses of the human voice, jazz and careful color shadings. Young takes a lot of risk in subduing his music, opting for mood over melodrama. Although the majority of the score is orchestral, there are jazzy cues reminiscent of Dave Grusin's best work. Young's most daring touch is that of a female and a male voice used like musical instruments-their screams add raw power to Carter's frustration over his wrongful incarceration. The best cue of the score album is "Racial Motivation," an understated piece that still manages to build up a forceful mix of voice, strings and horns. The touching "Lazarus and the Hurricane" also starts out slow and builds to a warm string crescendo.

Don't confuse this score album with the song CD that includes a mix of old and new R&B songs (as well as Bob Dylan's 8-minute ode, "The Hurricane," played ad nauseam in the film). The song CD does have a suitable Young suite (essentially comprised of "The Hurricane" and "Hate Put Me in Prison, Love's Gonna Bust Me Out" from the score CD), but the composer's contribution is done justice only in the score CD. —Cary Wong

The Cider House Rules ★★★★

RACHEL PORTMAN Sony Classical SK 89019 18 tracks - 40:43

he Cider House Rules has a nostalgic charm and Dickensian storytelling that makes it one of the best movies of the year, and one of its biggest assets is Rachel Portman's score. The Academy Award-winning composer of Emma uses the same successful formula for Cider House, keeping her music simple and lyrical.

Based on the John Irving novel about a young orphan (Homer) who explores the world with innocent (but not ignorant) eyes, the movie simplifies some controversial themes. This film adaptation has a more direct narrative, concentrating on Homer's loss of innocence. To back this decision, Portman creates a theme of incredible beauty and grace. It is usually played by a piano with an orchestral accompaniment so nostalgic that it's the musical equivalent of an old, yellowing photograph. This doesn't mean that Portman's music isn't playful at times—this is a story about orphans. However, the dignity of the main theme is so impressive that its repetition can be forgiven as we watch Homer learn and break the rules. From the heartbreaking "Homer Leaves the Orphanage" to the bittersweet "Homer Returns to the Orphanage," the main theme

grows into maturity without losing its heart. (Warning: Don't read the track titles on the CD spoilers galore!)

While *The Cider House Rules* isn't as much of a stretch for Portman as her last major film, the underrated *Beloved*, this latest effort confirms that she is indeed one of Hollywood's most talented composers. —**C.W**

Mission to Mars ★★★ 1/2

ENNIO MORRICONE Hollywood HR-62257-2 11 tracks - 62:18

The Ninth Gate ★★★★

WOJCIECH KILAR Silva Screen SSD 1103 16 tracks - 54:05

ne of the cruel duties facing composers is the oft-requested task of rescuing a movie that somehow or another has gone off the track. Asked by a producer to undertake this dirty job, the legendary, irascible Bernard Herrmann once said, "I can dress up the corpse, but I can't bring it back to life." Whether a film was flawed from its conception or has simply gone askew during the final stages of editing, it's the composer who inherits the mess. And he can lose his job if he fails to miraculously make a bad movie seem like a good one.

The simultaneous release of Mission to Mars and The Ninth Gate offers educational examples of how two experienced composers with strong personal styles meet (or fail to meet) this challenge. Ennio Morricone's quirky style and European-bred mode of working (often composing a number of individual, self-contained pieces of music for placement in the finished film wherever the director wants them) has largely kept him out of the mainstream. An exception to this rule was his collaboration with Brian DePalma on The Untouchables, a period gangster epic that fit in perfectly with Morricone's often operatic music. Given the composer's offbeat sensibilities and unpredictable approaches to sound and performance, pairing him with DePalma on a farreaching space epic might seem

a terrific idea. Unfortunately, Mission to Mars, while pictorially spectacular, is hobbled by a trite story and an aggravating absence of human interaction and character. Working in a vacuum, Morricone's approach seems based on the need to fill the emotional void at the center of the movie—and the results (as heard in the context of the film) are often disastrous. The film consists almost entirely of special effects footage of space walks, spacecraft, space stations and vivid photography of the surface of Mars, but Morricone's score speaks to intimate, interior emotions that are nowhere in evidence in either the script or the performances of a group of well-known but clearly frustrated actors. It's a daring approach that could have been sheer genius for a movie of artistic vision like Stanley Kubrick's 2001, but here it deviates so far from audience expectations that the result at the screening I attended was often unintended amusement and/or annoyance with the music. While meeting the expectations of the audience should not be a prerequisite for a film score, it is possible to undermine the viewing experience with material that distracts the viewer. Morricone treats most of the film's epic visuals with somber, moody music that hints at the courage and isolation of the film's astronauts, painting them as fragile, noble explorers—but when an actor spouts dialogue like "Let's light this candle!", the contrast between the music and such conventional postur-

Mission to Mars has one outstanding sequence involving a space walk, and it's here that the music and the film finally get in sync. Morricone creates a throbbing and suspenseful accompaniment for percussion, stabbing low string accents and the ingenious touch of a church organ, a technique that hearkens back to some of the sci-fi and fantasy scores of Bernard Herrmann. Alas, Morricone's unique approach still had the effect of distancing some audience members from the action,

ing is galling.



with several commenting that it was more like antique horror music than underscore for a space emergency.

The biggest problem with Morricone's score presents itself at the film's climax, where he supplies a rapturously emotional finale for orchestra and choir that only serves to accentuate how unsatisfying and derivative the movie's final 15 minutes are. It's notable how well this score plays on its own as an album; it's beautiful, eerie and poetic in a way the movie never even attempts to be. You can't blame Morricone for trying to ennoble the movie, but the clash between the composer's ambitions and the film is jarring.

Roman Polanski's *The Ninth Gate* manages to stave off the realization that we're watching a bad movie nearly until its final scene. A peculiar, Faustian mystery about the examination of several copies of a book purported to be co-authored by Satan himself, Polanski's film is more a great-looking, offbeat romp than a true exercise in dread like *Rosemary's Baby*. Thanks to composer Wojciech Kilar, *The*

and gives the impression of an inexorably assembling puzzle instead of a shaggy dog story. Kilar made a spectacular debut with American audiences with his eerie score to Francis Ford Coppola's *Dracula*, so there was little doubt he could evoke an atmosphere of evil for The Ninth Gate. Interestingly, Kilar's work sometimes tips its hat to the dream-like vocal effects of Morricone, and the opening track of The Ninth Gate ("Vocalize," actually the end title of the film) is a lengthy Morricone-like deliberation from soprano Sumi Jo, with accompaniment from piano, strings and harpsichord. The main title music (set to a visually compelling descent through the nine gates of hell) is a languorous and seductive musical illustration of the compelling tug of evil. Opening with a slowly swaying rhythm from groaning double basses, a marvelously decadent melody unfolds from mid-range strings in a manner reminiscent of John Williams' portentous opening to DePalma's '70s telekinesis epic, The Fury. But Kilar's next cue ("Corso") alerts the listener that they shouldn't be taking all this gloom and doom too seriously. Using an offbeat dance rhythm from harpsichord and plucked strings (later taken up by hilariously diabolical, grunting low woodwinds) and a blithely ironic tune for trumpet, Kilar ingeniously plays against Johnny Depp's amusingly impenetrable, amoral book dealer and primes the audience for a colossal, cosmic joke on the protagonist. It recalls Elmer Bernstein's jovial writing for Ghostbusters and Heavy Metal, but with a heavier, more obsessive feel.

Ninth Gate moves smartly along

Kilar uses slyly overblown dance rhythms throughout ("Plane to Spain" plays Corso's trumpet theme over an elegant bolero) to give the film the quality of a caper, while supplying enough haunted house spookiness—the mysterious, crystalline progressions for Lena Olin's decadent "Liana"; the discordant piano key alarm of "The Motorbike"; the positively Hammeresque horror music of "Stalking Corso" and the score's

climactic cues—to keep the promise of a climactic photo-op with Satan hanging over the film. Kilar's contribution is particularly important during the sequences in which Corso examines copies of the fabled Ninth Gate book, contrasting the priceless copy owned by his employer (a great turn by Frank Langella) with two other versions with satanic engravings that exhibit subtle differences in detail. Kilar's hesitant, almost soothing application of Corso's jaunty rhythm to these scenes shows the book dealer's cool mind at work and gives the viewer the impression of a mystery that's being successfully solved—even though by the movie's conclusion none of the plot's arcane clues add up to anything at all.

Like Morricone's Mission to Mars score, Kilar's music plays well on CD even at a lengthy 54 minutes, and its focus on an eternal evil makes it a great companion piece for his Dracula album ("Balkan's Death" is reminiscent of the chanting, operatic Dracula music). But while Kilar's score for The Ninth Gate is a textbook example of how music can help a flawed film, Morricone's Mission to Mars is a demonstration of the inverse effect an independent-minded composer can have on a problematic movie. Mission's score is in a world of its own and should be enjoyed as far away from the abysmal movie as possible. The Ninth Gate makes a great album, and makes a muddled film far more palatable than it might have been. -J.B.

The Closer You Get ★★★ 1/2

RACHEL PORTMAN RCA Victor 09026-63601-2 14 tracks - 34:43

ne of the more tiresome new genres in film relies on the premise of a small band of men in a small town (usually in the U.K.), who come up with an impossibly cute idea that remarkably works out in their favor. The first of these was likely the overrated (yet not unfunny) *The Full Monty*, with its male factory worker-turned-stripper theme. Then came *Waking Ned Devine*, where an entire town pretends

that a dead man is alive in order to collect and share his lotto winnings. The Closer You Get is possibly the worst offender of the lot. It hinges on the unbelievable notion that grown men, tired of their local provincial women, think that placing a small advertisement in a Miami newspaper will attract beautiful, sophisticated American women to their small remote town in Ireland. Please put this genre out of its misery!

That said, it's hard to believe that Rachel Portman has graced this film with one of the most playful and energetic scores of her On the whole, though, this CD is a lot of fun—so skip the movie and enjoy Portman's silk purse from this sow's ear. —C.W.

Angela's Ashes ★★★★

JOHN WILLIAMS

Decca 466 761-2

18 tracks 57:30

ohn Williams has never abandoned the classic romanticism of Jane Eyre, developing the style in films as recent as Schindler's List and Seven Years in Tibet.

However, Angela's Ashes marks a definitive return to Williams' most exquisite writing and features some of his strongest thematic material in over a decade. After all these years, John

Williams still sounds like John Williams—and he's not the least bit boring (unless he starts to talk). The Angela's Ashes album



The "Theme From Angela's Ashes" track is anything but mono-thematic, introducing all the important elements in the score. The actual main Angela's Ashes theme is a cross between Jane Eyre (idiom, compound meter and melodic shape) and "The Imperial March" (hinging on the same minor chords a major third apart—who but Williams could turn the "Imperial March" into something like this?). The lilting accompaniment pattern for this theme becomes an entity unto itself in the score. It sounds

be Irish, but the film isn't directly about the fact that they are Irish—nor about their love of Irish folk music.) Complementing the main theme is a tragic, repeating four-note lament. The meter structure (5/4, 5/4, 6/4, 3/4) lends a sighing, dramatic weight, as does the increased rhythmic activity of the second half of the phrase as it drives to a cadence (the second half of the theme—the 6/4, 3/4—is sometimes 5/4, 3/4, or even 4/4, 4/4, but that just depends on where Williams is going). The beginning of this theme stays basically (even oppressively) untouched for much of the score-until reaching its cathartic goal (in a full-blown 4/4 statement) only in the closing moments of the final underscore track with "Back to America" (parts of which were used for the previews). At this point in the score, the repeating four-note first section is transformed into a stoic brass cadence. Another flowing, compound-meter idea rounds out the thematic material of Angela's Ashes. Entering at 3:17 of the first track, this stepwise, outreaching theme begins in harp (with oboe solo) before growing into full, swelling strings (more English than Irish, and especially Jane Eyre, in character).

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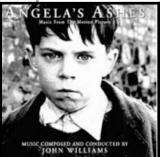
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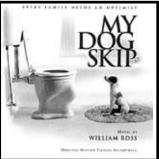
tunes, or fiddles on jigs. (The

As extensive and fulfilling as the "Theme From Angela's Ashes" can be, it is no substitute for the score as a whole. Recent Williams (like the lush "Qui Gon, Anakin and Anakin's Mother" string writing) makes appearances here, as in "Angela's Prayer," while "Back to America" develops a passage from Saving Private Ryan. "My Dad's Stories" is a stunning, Tchaikovsky/ Temple of Doom-like pizzicato-driven track over which Williams floats the four-note theme (and for the first time, the melody reaches its all-important fifth note, as in the "Back to America" climax). "Delivering Telegrams" reiterates the pizzicato passage in arco strings (plus direct repetitions

of the "My Dad's Stories" material). "Plenty of Fish and Chips in Heaven" is a sterling example of a track that blows away and embarrasses the notion that there's an inherent limit on how many notes a composer should use. In fact, this busier writing makes for better contrast with the delicate and rhythmically simple thematic writing.

I have not mentioned the dialogue included on the album because this is a review of the Decca, music-only European release (available though Screen Archives, Intrada and other outlets). If this were a review of the Sony Classical release it would receive zero stars, as that version not only defeats the aesthetic purpose of a soundtrack album (which is not to sell records, but to separate the music from the dialogue and sound so that the film can be experienced in a different way) but also demeans a —Mailman Jon fine score.





career. Listening to Portman's music on the album might delude you into thinking the film is funnier than it actually is. Reminiscent of Mark Knopfler's early Irish scores, Portman's work here is using more of a pop sensibility than traditional dramatic underscore technique. It's amazing that the wonderfully raucous "Why Wouldn't They?" was penned by the woman who composed *Emma*. Balance this kind of cue with the wistful touch of "There's a Suit," and you'll find The Closer You Get to be a well-rounded romantic comedy score.

Portman's touch is also found in two traditional songs, which she arranged: the beautiful "Black Is the Colour," sung by Mae Mckenna, and the highspirited "At the Dance," which adeptly blends Spanish and Celtic melodies. Peppered throughout the CD are pop songs, many of which are becoming movie soundtrack favorites (including the overused Louis Armstrong's "A Kiss to Build a Dream On").

My Dog Skip ★★★

WILLIAM ROSS

Varèse Sarabande 302 066 106 2 14 tracks - 37:27

ost film music fans know William Ross as the guy who orchestrates for Alan Silvestri. In recent years, Ross has branched out, composing scores for the likes of *Tin Cup*, My Fellow Americans and My Dog Skip. Comparisons with Silvestri are inevitable here, not only in terms of orchestration but also in harmonic and thematic materials. The opening cut introduces a lyrical, lullabylike theme that's uncomfortably close to Silvestri's main theme from Fools Rush In. That's okay, but there are so many Silvestri nuances aped in this score that it becomes difficult to critique the music except in terms of what else it "sounds like." "Driving With Skip" begins with the orchestral wackiness that was "Snooping Around" in Father of the Bride. Numerous tracks evoke the tender, Jenny-related moments from Forrest Gump. ("Greenwood Cemetery" abandons Silvestri, oddly enough,

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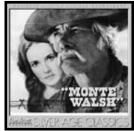
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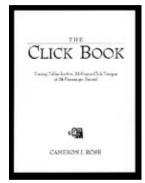


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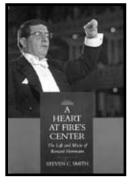
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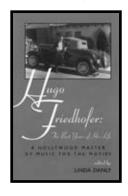
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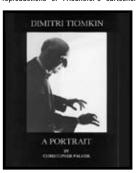
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by Christopher Palmer

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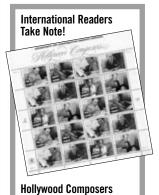
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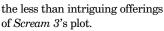
My Dog Skip is not without merit. It's as technically smooth as a typical light Silvestri score, and "Sad Homecoming" features some welcome bitonality, fleeting as it may be. This score is derivative, but Ross remains an indelible craftsman and this effort is leagues away from the sort of dire plagiarism people like Joel McNeely get away with. Still-if I were Alan Silvestri, I wouldn't want my head orchestrator going off and cloning my scores...for all that implies. -A.K. Benjamin

Scream 3 ★★★

MARCO BELTRAMI Varèse Sarabande 302 066 116 2 20 tracks - 32:43

ere We Go Again" is a superlative opening-track name for Marco Beltrami's Scream 3 score album—it should have been attached to

the title of the film itself. And to paraphrase the "That's Armageddon" trailer from *The Kentucky Fried Movie, Scream 3*'s slogan could have been "You will be scared *witless.*" Beltrami does the best he can with



Two thematic passages drive the score, the first of which is the main Scream theme, basically a slow, descending chromatic line. "Here We Go Again" introduces the idea in brass, backed by industrial percussion. It sounds like it's actually trying to be a melodramatic version of horror music like that found in the Alien films. "On the Set" transforms the theme for lilting piano, but the most entertaining and orchestrationally inventive rendition occurs in "Dewey Mobile." Sid's theme (for Neve Campbell) is exploited to its fullest in "Home Sweet Home." This track offers a stunning likeness (on many

levels) to Danny Elfman's *Dolores Claiborne*. It's nice writing but it worked better in the real movie that *Claiborne* was.

The action tracks use plenty of thematic snippets, but they are generally busy, noisy and unmemorable pieces of music. Beltrami's good with orchestral slashing effects, but once you see how to write them they're not that hard to do over and over, and he enters overkill territory. "DoppleGailer" and other powerhouse action tracks shift from high-energy musical assaults to quiet lulls (calms before each storm). There's little in the way of pacing (the scenes don't offer much help in this regard) and there's even less to hang your ear on. At the least, it's better to hear Beltrami using Coriglianolike orchestral effects than Hans Zimmer action riffs. This favoring is especially welcome in the film, where Beltrami is excellent with spotting (yes, some of the stingers are dumb, but there isn't always a way around that).

The album has many fiendishly

amusing track titles (with double meanings), like "Cotton Gets Picked," "Sid Wears a Dress," "Stone Cold" (hopefully not referencing Steve Austin) and "Gail Force" (even more hopefully not

referencing the porn actress). Wes Craven's liner notes explain how important it is to keep the behind-the-scenes people together when producing a trilogy-and how delighted he is with Beltrami's contribution, which "defined the very heart and soul of the story." Stunningly, Craven also mentions how Beltrami captures "the off-beat charm of Dewey Riley," when Dewey's theme for Scream 2 was simply a tracked-in Hans Zimmer theme: the incredibly annoying Broken Arrow John Travolta motif. However, in Scream 3, Beltrami's "Sid Wears a Dress" is Zimmerschool in every way, even hinting at this despicable Broken Arrow theme. Perhaps Beltrami was

making amends—or maybe he was simply throwing in the towel and admitting he should have ripped off the Zimmer temped into *Scream 2* in the first place and saved himself a lot of heartache. —J.W.

Christopher Franke: New Music for Films Vol. 2 ★★★

CHRISTOPHER FRANKE Sonic Images SID-4906 16 tracks - 47:38

■ hristopher Franke's new demo/compilation album excerpts works from five of his films: Tarzan and the Lost City, The Inheritance, Pacific Blue, Terror in the Mall and Solo. Interestingly, the score suites are broken up and scattered across the disc for pacing purposes. Much of the music could be from the same film, as Franke gets a consistent sound with his ultra-reverbed, massive, synthdriven "Berlin Symphonic Film Orchestra." Franke also bridges certain tracks (mainly via synth pads), despite their being from different films.

Tarzan and the Lost City opens the album with the epic side of Franke's writing. It starts with textural patterns and sampled vocals, but soon takes off in a more traditional, thematic vein. Unfortunately, the synth sweetening takes over where it doesn't have to (unlike with much of Hans Zimmer's work), making for some wet and heavy music. The inclusion of real instruments does make this much more listenable than something like Babylon 5. Plus, of all the scores represented here, Tarzan has the most interesting samples. The music itself is incredibly basic on every level. This leads to some pure and majestic themes, but also to inane, clichéd action passages. Terror in the Mall and Solo suffer from inadequate action writing. Terror in the Mall is the weaker of the two, as the action of Solo is above average for Franke: "Deadly Fight" uses "orchestral hit" patches like those used in Brad Fiedel's The Terminator. Further, the "Finale" theme from Solo is more intimate in scale, using an ethnic flute over piano, harp and light percussion.

The Inheritance would represent the "lighter side" of the album if not for the fact that the synth orchestrations are so heavy. In fact, "The Race" is the track that would benefit most from dismissal of the synths in favor of acoustics. The tracks from the fifth film, Pacific Blue, stand out on this CD. Urban percussion contrasts with soothing aural landscapes as Franke uses extreme-register vocals on his melodic ideas. He's less reliant on structured harmonic progressions with Pacific Blue, instead using more of a layering of threads. Blue isn't epic or overpowering music, and it works well interspersed amid the Tarzan and Terror in the Mall tracks. On this album, it adds a dimension to those scores (as they coalesce into one whole). Franke's new compilation flows well and covers a good deal of ground. The suspect decision to break up the score suites turns out to be an excellent choicethis album should serve its demo purposes well. —J.W.

Passport to the Universe $\star\star\star$

72 STEPHEN ENDELMAN 1m1 68501 80027-2 10 tracks - 39:55

tephen Endelman wrote this music (some of which is reworked for CD) for the first Space Show to play at the new Rose Center for Earth and Space (aka the Haydn Planetarium) at New York's Museum of Natural History. His liner notes are both accurate and helpful, explaining how he chose to "fuse both acoustic instrumentation and ambient soundscapes using organic elements such as animal calls, winds and water movements." The show itself chronicles a journey from Earth through the solar system and back—with the score supposedly making excellent use of the advanced, polyphonic speaker setup in the planetarium.

Endelman's music is extremely simple—the main motives are an ascending scale, a major chord and a distant drone that randomly and rapidly bounces about a minor third. None of the



Pocket CD Reviews

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Who did it?



Freedom Song *** SWEET HONEY IN THE ROCK & JAMES HORNER Sony Classical SK 89147 18 tracks - 56:18



The Skulls

★ ¹/2

RANDY EDELMAN

Decca 289-466 989-2

22 tracks - 51:04



The Whole Nine Yards ★★ ¹/2 RANDY EDELMAN Varèse Sarabande 302 066 114 2 28 tracks - 56:46



Agnes Browne★★★

PADDY MOLONEY,

VARIOUS

Decca 289 466 939-2

15 tracks - 38:29



The Next Best Thing

★★

GABRIEL YARED,

VARIOUS

Maverick 9 47595-2

12 tracks - 49:29



Santitos

★ ¹/2

CARLO NICOLAU &

ROSINO SERRANO

Milan 73138 35904-2

33 tracks - 48:52



Gene Roddenberry's Earth: Final Conflict ★★★ MICKY ERBE & MARIBETH SOLOMON Sonic Images 828-278-920-2 25 tracks - 58:00

What is it?

Sweet Honey in the Rock teams up with James Horner to score this TNT movie about the struggle of blacks during the Civil Rights Movement, starring Danny Glover and Vicellous Reon Shannon. There's a boatload of gospel music and spirituals, a cappella, clapping and foot-stamping, with little in the way of accompaniment (even in rhythm section). The CD is also littered with small doses of dialogue, but not as many as in *Angela's Ashes* (another of Sony Classical's latest achievements).

Joshua Jackson is afraid of the diabolical Skulls in Rob Cohen's latest stunner. Randy Edelman's score is remarkably awful. The main theme would be a perfect match for an after-school TV movie about peer pressure—so in actuality, Edelman hasn't missed the mark by that much. When an arpeggiation of the tonic chord is the standout feature of the theme, you know you're in for some trouble.

Bruce Willis and Matthew Perry are funny. Randy Edelman's use of real instruments makes this score tower over some of his other recent work. While it's not big orchestral stuff, it's much easier to take than his "larger-sounding" synth tidal waves. His music is broken up by source for the first part of the album, but it really gets going with a dead run from track 11 through 27.

Rhythm section and controlled string writing dominate the quasi-big band, It's 1967 in Dublin and Anjelica Huston has to take care of her seven children after her husband dies. The soundtrack is a mix of orchestral, small chamber and pop music. Paddy Moloney's orchestral writing is in the traditional Irish mold, with simple, repetitive harmonies, flowing lines and ethnic instruments. It's more about color and melody than anything else. Fans of *Titanic* and *Braveheart* may be at home with Moloney's material. Moloney also arranges traditional folk tunes for The Chieftains. Accordion, banjo, percussion and ethnic flute run rampant in the Irish dance tracks.

Madonna and gay buddy Rupert Everett conceive a child and deal with the results. Gabriel Yared's contribution (a six-minute score cue entitled "Forever and Always") will likely make him a buck or two. Interestingly, the opening descending motive in Yared's track is right out of Goldsmith's *Forever Young*. More interestingly, Yared's music suggests an image of two perilously old people preparing for a timeless, romantic embrace. There's solo writing for harmonica, guitar and saxophone, but the thematic material won't grab you like *The Talented Mr. Ripley* or Yared's better works.

Santitos (or Esperanza's Box of Saints) is a charming saga about a woman who has a vision and journeys to find her daughter (supposedly dead) in Los Angeles. The music is orchestral but emphasizes piano and solo instruments, with oppressively loud chamber pieces. Director Alejandro Springall seems to have chose composers Nicolau and Serrano to bring a more European, specifically Italian, approach (to folkloric Mexican writing). The resulting score is a bit of a hodgepodge of European dance forms—a bit of tango here and habañera there, mixed with cheesy soap-opera themes.

Earth has been visited by the Taelons, because TV was in dire need of a retelling of the age-old classic series *Alien Nation*. This album contains the main theme and a load of episodic suites picked out from all three seasons. The main theme is an Enya-meets-John Debney foray into the world of folk sci-fi. It's definitely an above-average main title. The formula for most of the episodic work is to add live solo instruments over synth beds. The acoustics make all the difference, allowing Erbe and Solomon to emphasize melody over mere ambient noise or pads.

To buy or not to buy?

"Jonah's Last Day" has uncharacteristic vocal writing imitating instrumentals. There's a lot of nice music, but don't expect the usual Horner score here—because you won't find it. If not for the credits, you'd never know he had anything to do with the project. This is more of a Sweet Honey in the Rock album.

This is a surprisingly dull synth-and-industrial percussion effort from Edelman. Every theme is simple, square and so utterly generic that they almost cease to become generic—that would be too routine a classification. The last four tracks on the album are songs, leaving the first 36:25 for underscore.

quasi-lounge, cartoon-villain underscore. The best stuff is the ominous low string writing, funny only in context. The melodic ideas aren't terrific, so you're more likely to remember the comic/horror string stabs—not a good thing.

The album is well-paced, and while it's mostly Irish, there's a great diversity of material. Moloney's arrangements are all pleasant, his original material often sounds like more arrangements (but is equally pleasant) and the Tom Jones songs are welcome intrusions.

Madonna's lifeless, electronica "American Pie" reworks the pop standard into a companion piece for "Time Stood Still." While "Time..." at least represents the movie (noting, "Maybe you're the next best thing to happen"), it's dreary and forgettable. The album also features Christina Aguilera, Moby and others; it can't be recommended for the Yared alone.

This score is short on subtlety, but Springall hired people for their talents to add specific dimensions to his film (including Liliani Felipe for some turn-of-the-century Mexican source). Orchestration and style were more important than a truly cohesive dramatic underscore. While this approach may suit the film, it doesn't make for much of a soundtrack album.

Melody-driven cues like "Atavus" and "Crossfire" stand out for their use of solo instruments, and almost cease to sound like television music. There's nothing musically outstanding here, but the soundscapes are intoxicating, the orchestrations keep the music alive and the main theme is worth hearing (especially if you haven't tired of the show).

writing is completely minimalist, but there is a ton of repetition of small ideas. The scalar patterns (as in "Virgo Super Cluster") that move in different rates and directions are more like Arvo Part or Gorecki. (In film music terms, some of it can be likened to Elliot Goldenthal.) Passport to the Universe is ever-present and forceful—but there's little in the way of long-lined melody or progressions that would set up expected resolutions. Endelman is careful not to take us out of the journey. There are grand moments ("Orion Nebula" or "Black Hole Plunge") along with the hypnotic vocals, percussion and ambient noise of "The Zeiss Sky," but they seldom approach melodramatic proportions.

Even if this album can't force a second listening, it should at least make you curious about the show. The music makes for a cohesive score, and if it were written for a sci-fi or genre film then film music fans would probably have a lot to say about it. In fact, "Walk In," "Nebula" or practically any track on this disc could easily be grafted into many recent moodier sci-fi films along the lines of *Pitch Black*—instantly and vastly improving the film. Maybe Endelman can



parlay this into a sci-fi film assignment...if he would find that in any way rewarding.

—J.W.

Miss Julie ★

MIKE FIGGIS Milan 73138 35903-2 27 tracks - 37:36

I nyone who thinks that Magnolia's P.T. Anderson is a megalomaniacal control freak would do well to pay attention to writer/director/genius Mike Figgis. At least Anderson has the humility to hire a composer to score his movies. Figgis has taken the evolutionary next step, managing to provide the music to his own films (I'm not certain why Figgis doesn't also play all the parts and do the hairstyling in his movies as well—I guess there are limits even to his unearthly powers). There's precedent for this, of course: John Carpenter also writes the music for most of his

movies. But Carpenter's a selfconfessed genre journeyman who never asks his work to be taken too seriously, while Figgis' last few films (notably One Night Stand and The Loss Of Sexual Innocence) have pushed the pretension-meter right off the scale. Figgis is a little like Abel Ferrara: a highly polarizing filmmaker who's some people's idea of the next Orson Welles, but whose movies are undone by the sense of self-importance that leaps off the screen wherever they play. For Figgis at his least pretentious and most entertaining, check out the cop drama Internal Affairs with Andy Garcia.

Miss Julie is adapted from a play by August Strindberg, so at least Figgis didn't have to write this one-which you'd think would have given him that much more time to develop a musical approach to the movie. Instead, the result is like what a Mychael Nyman score might be like if the part of the brain that Nyman uses to write melodies was surgically removed. Figgis has his score performed by two string quartets (the National and the Medici), but they frequently have nothing to play but unbearably long sustains and occasional downward slurs (helpfully entitled "Descent

No.1," "Descent No.2," etc.) the musical equivalent of fingernails on a chalkboard. There are also plenty of repeating, baroquestyle figures that are played with all the ferocity and passion that these musicians probably apply to any piece by Chopin, but the extra effort still can't lift this boring music off the page. Figgis even tries his hand at writing energetic, Titanic-style folk dances, some of which might prove useful in South American interrogation procedures were that sort of thing not prohibited under the Geneva Convention.

I guess this falls under the heading of an overly "caustic" FSM review, but when I have to be put through the torture of this kind of listening experience I feel the need to lash out. Mike Figgis can take solace in the fact that there are people out there who consider him to be both a musical and filmmaking genius. But Milan has got to be pretty hard up for material when 37 minutes of this are deemed worthy of worldwide album release. This is music that is as off-putting as Nyman's Ravenous, but that pushed the boundaries so far it turned into a kind of twisted genius that became listenable in spite of itself. Miss Julie is iust torturous.

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WHEN WORLDS COLLIDE

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MRS: Right. So you hate to put up those artificial borders, that's the thing; good music is good music.

LD: What do you say to critics of John Williams who say he borrows too much from other composers—Mahler, Wagner, whoever? **JG:** Prokofiev, Shostakovich, Holst.

MRS: Well, Holst! Star Wars—there's a pretty clear example. I say that I don't care, because it works—the music does exactly what it should, and frankly for a guy who's out there conducting and studying other people's scores it's really hard not to borrow. Maybe his voice is more in the way he makes an orchestra sound, an orchestrational style more than an individual voice as far as melodic invention or harmonic or anything like that. You can say he borrows some, but it doesn't bother me at all; composers do that

all the time. He's successful and making a lot of money at it so they're jealous. That doesn't bother me because his music serves the film in an absolutely appropriate way.

JG: I think it opens people's ears to sounds they don't normally hear, and if they do hear The Planets or Shostakovich they're going to be more open to that music.

MRS: Right. It's great to have *Gone With* the Wind with a full orchestra singing away. When you have the full orchestra wailing away on *Star Wars*, people know that and they identify that orchestral sound. It's something they're really familiar with.

JG: Sometimes when I see a thriller and the composer has scored the film in atonal '70s style, I've realized that he's making the public enjoy sounds that a few years ago you couldn't pay concertgoers to sit through!

MRS: Right, and orchestral sound—there's nothing like it. The westerns like *The Sons of Katie Elder*—boom, there it is, the horns

wailing away and then the strings on top-it sounds like The Magnificent Seven, and people identify. We were playing in Cheyenne-"Frontier Days," which is the biggest rodeo in the country so there were real cowboys out there. There was a crowd of 8,000. It was the Cheyenne Symphony with Trisha Yearwood and we did the first half, about 45 minutes of The Cowboys Overture (and) The Sons of Katie Elder. And these guys, they may have never heard an orchestra before, but they went crazy! And the thing they went most crazy for was the William Tell Overture—"The Lone Ranger"-and they went ape for Rossini! Yelling, whooping, standing ovation—I could have like dove out into the mosh pit! It was an amazing reception because here they are hearing that music that they've come to associate with westerns—this big, open, huge orchestral sound—here it is right in front of them. live. It was exciting because they've had that exposure to full orchestra and if they hadn't had that common thread, forget it, it wouldn't have

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OF LASERPHILES EVERYWHERE. WHO DECIDED

to schedule the video calendar in such a way that most of us will go weeks without purchasing a title through the first few months of the new year, then all of a sudden, helplessly succumb to a barrage of new releases every week for a period of several months?

This year has not been an exception to the norm, since right as we go to press, plenty of exciting new titles are looming on the horizon. Not to be lost in the shuffle, however, are some of the more interesting releases of the first quarter of the new year—including one prominent laserdisc title and several DVDs with isolated score tracks.

Star Wars Episode I: The Phantom Menace

(Fox Japanese import laserdisc, THX, Dolby Digital, approx. \$110 U.S.)

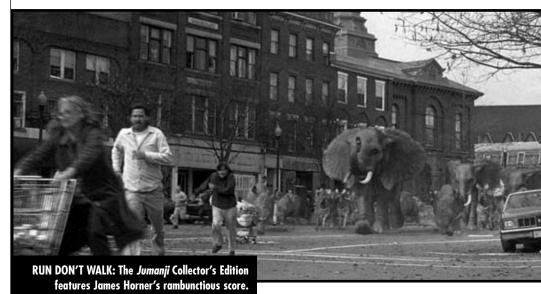
been slow to warm to the advantages of DVD, with Spielberg only within the last year having given the green light for new digital releases for his productions. (While we have still yet to see titles like *E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial* or *Jurassic Park* make it to DVD, *Jaws* is apparently on the horizon from Universal and *Close Encounters* on the docket from Columbia—so it finally looks as if the old "Amblin ban" has been lifted for good).

But Lucas continues to hold out, perhaps waiting for the "time" he claims he needs to focus on the preparation involved with DVD, or-more likely given the way this industry works-waiting for both a bigger slice of the market and sales of previous versions to level off. How else to explain why The Phantom Menace, last year's \$430 million-grossing blockbuster, has been given only a pair of VHS releases in the United States? True to his word, Lucas decided that there wouldn't be any DVD for *Episode I* or any of the original Star Wars Trilogy until he was able to devote his energy to overseeing transfers and supplemental materials worthy of the new format. In doing so, the folks at Lucasfilm hinted that the time frame for the eventual DVD release for all Star Wars films would be sometime in 2006, when Episode III would be hitting video. So much for watching the series in the best possible looking digital transfers and sound!

That has left home theater aficionados scrambling for alternatives, particularly since

Hail, Hail, The Score's All Here

AMIDST LASER'S LAST GASP, THERE ARE PLENTY OF NEW DVDS WITH ISOLATED SOUNDTRACKS—AND MORE



the resolution and sound of VHS obviously can't match DVD or laserdisc. Lucasfilm announced that, along with no DVD release, there wouldn't be any laserdisc release in the U.S., either. However, with the U.S. laserdisc market all but replaced by its smaller and more compact successor, that development didn't come as much of a surprise.

More interesting was the rumor in late January that there *would* be a limited Japanese laserdisc pressing, even more curious since the days of LD have come and gone overseas, too. The price, \$110 in domestic dollars, was steep for most consumers, but for *Star Wars* addicts, the news meant that the only way to experience *Episode I* in Dolby Digital sound, a clear THX transfer, and the highest resolution this side of DVD, was to find a source and splurge for the import.

Arriving the same week as the U.S. video cassette release through import specialists, the Japanese LD is a knockout in many ways. Like a perfect "going away" party for a format that's well past its glory days, the *Phantom Menace* has at least given laser aficionados something to brag about for now. The THX mastering is superb and boasts a razorsharp 2.35:1 transfer that features Japanese subtitles running under the picture in the black borders (if you have a "LDG" compatible player these subtitles can be toggled off).

While the few sequences in Tatooine that use subtitles aren't accessible in English here, it's not much of a problem since the intent of the dialogue of characters like Wattoo is fairly evident from the action on-screen.

The best news is that John Williams' marvelous score and the movie's outstanding Dolby Digital soundtrack are perfectly rendered in what may be one of the finest hometheater audio presentations you'll ever hear. The AC-3 track (compatible with future Dolby Digital EX systems) is jammed with surround details, various sonic textures, and innumerable, effective uses of the discreet channels. Williams' music, one of the film's brightest spots, comes across in its full-blooded glory. The gatefold packaging is splendid, slightly offsetting the fact that there are no extras to be found, not even a theatrical trailer. But for the legions of devotees out there, and for anyone who still has a LD player up and running, the Episode I import is reason enough to celebrate the benefits of laserdisc one more time

Stuart Little (\$27.98), Random Hearts (\$24.98), and Jumanji: Collector's Edition (\$27.98, all on DVD from Columbia TriStar)

The Limey (Artisan DVD, \$24.98)

ne of the happier developments in the success of DVD is that it has enabled studios the freedom to include isolated music

score tracks with the added features that the format can afford. A good case in point are these releases, each featuring a clear Dolby Digital presentation of their respective film scores, revealing an intriguing look at each respective soundtrack in the process.

The Limey, director Steven Soderbergh's intriguing but rather slight crime thriller with Terence Stamp flying to L.A. to avenge his daughter's death, features a typically offbeat, moody score by frequent collaborator Cliff Martinez. The movie runs 88 minutes and features a great commentary track with screenwriter Lem Dobbs frequently coming to blows with Soderbergh over how much character development was cut out of the final print. Martinez's music punctuates this tale of vengeance and retribution with more orchestra than usually found in the composer's work, making for an interesting listen away from the often mangled narrative of the picture.

Sydney Pollak's gargantuan box-office flop, Random Hearts, stars Harrison Ford as a D.C. cop who finds out his wife was having a fling with a prominent senator after the philandering couple die in a plane crash. Ford sets out to uncover the truth and falls improbably in love with the senator's equally unknowing wife (Kristin Scott Thomas) while they try to find out—well, after watching the movie, I'm still not sure what the point is, but at least the movie looks good and Pollak's direction is assured as usual.

Dave Grusin's "smooth jazz" score is undoubtedly one of the film's highlights, restrained and relaxing with Terence Blanchard and the late Chet Baker turning in excellent work among the ensemble performers involved in its performance. Surprisingly, the music rarely exhibits a sense of urgency, and you might find yourself scrambling to switch the audio channel to avoid some of the protracted dialogue present in Kurt Luedtke's script and simply savor the mellow tone of Grusin's music.

One of the first titles to appear on DVD, Jumanji has since been re-issued by Columbia in a deluxe new Collector's Edition package, featuring a handful of supplements primarily focusing on the excellent special effects work in Joe Johnston's engaging 1995 fantasy. James Horner's entire score has also been incorporated as one of the disc's numerous alternate audio tracks; and despite some rambunctious passages, it's a pleasing concoction of past Horner works with a fantasy flair, with the ever-present recurring motifs found in most every work by the composer interspersed for good measure. The score sounds crisp and detailed in the 5.1 Dolby Digital presentation, and makes for an interesting companion piece with the soundtrack album, which features some Danny Elfman-like, Honey, I Shrunk the Kids-styled passages that were wisely cut out of the movie

Finally, Alan Silvestri fans will be happy that an isolated score track has been included on Columbia's jam-packed special edition of Stuart Little, last December's hugely successful adaptation of the E.B. White story about a mouse adopted by a human family. The movie offers good fun for kids along with plenty of great special effects, and the DVD gives format aficionados a full-range of supplements, including audio commentary, deleted scenes, documentary material, trailers, pre-production concept artwork and more. The pleasant score was limited to 10 minutes on the soundtrack album, so listeners should savor an abundance of unreleased material through the isolated score track.

Of all the major studios out there, Columbia has easily been the biggest recent proponent of isolated music tracks on DVD. Other new releases have included tracks on *Girl*, *Interrupted*, *The End of the Affair*, and *The Messenger*—and there are more to come.

The Abyss Special Edition

(Fox DVD, \$34.98)

or fans of supplemental packages, only recently has DVD begun to rival some of the more elaborate editions produced for the laserdisc format. Things started changing for the better last year when Disney proved supplemental can be competently done on DVD with A Bug's Life, and now Fox has taken the next big step by throwing every scrap of material from one of laser's greatest achievements—Fox/Image's 1993 box-set of The Abyss: Special Edition —on a DVD presentation that surpasses even its predecessor.

The over-budget 1989 fantasy was only a modest theatrical hit, but it has gained a sizable since its initial release. After writer-director James Cameron's stock rose after *Terminator 2*, Fox decided to revisit the film, have ILM finish work on a deleted special effects sequence from the end that would better explain and flesh out the film's heavily criticized conclusion, and briefly re-issue the film to a handful of theaters before releasing the picture on video.

The longer cut of *The Abyss* finally surfaced four years later on laserdisc, and for a number of reasons, it remains one of the most important releases in the history of the LD format. The disc was not only one of the first examples of a major studio getting involved in a release packed with extras, but was also a significant event because it exclusively included the "Special Edition" cut.

Now, even though the LD contained the new ending and additional scenes with elaborated character development, the "Special Edition" cut—and that laserdisc boxed setalways felt like a mixed bag for me, mainly because the disc *only* included the "new" version of the movie, which had problems of its own. Despite the explanation of the extraterrestrials' appearance and the new special effects, what was implied in the original cut became literalized in the Special Edition, with some heavy-handed preaching about nuclear warfare being added and some of the movie's claustrophobic tension disrupted by an Irwin Allen-like finale. For some, the intimacy and simplicity of the film's abbreviated finale may work just as well.

That's where this DVD comes in and presents the best possible release of *The Abyss* imaginable: Because of a relatively new "seamless branching" feature, the DVD enables you to choose either the original 145-minute theatrical cut, or the 171-minute Special Edition release, without noticing any layer- switches or other pauses. (Incidentally, in addition to a handful of new scenes, the Special Edition cut includes different musical cues than Alan Silvestri's original soundtrack, culled both from temp-tracked material from Jack Nitzsche's *The Seventh Sign* and new music penned by the temp-composer).

Either way you go, the visuals the DVD has to offer are immense: the 2.35:1 THX transfer, while not 16:9 enhanced, presents the best-ever presentation of the movie's Super 35 cinematography on video, while the Dolby Digital track is potent and layered with effects. Even more satisfying are the supplements, which contain the full text and goodies found in the old laserdisc set, here revised for DVD. You'll find that more images, storyboards, pre-production concept art, special effects documentation, and publicity materials are here than in any other DVD release. However, the most interesting facet to the extras always was and still is, the 60minute documentary, Under Pressure: The Making of The Abyss, which was produced in 1993 exclusively for the laserdisc release.

Featuring then-new interviews with the principal cast, Cameron, producer Gail Anne Hurd, and drawing upon a wealth of behind-the-scenes footage, the documentary recounts the film's turbulent production, one that almost cost co-star Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio her life. (She refused to appear in the documentary and, to the best of my knowledge, still refrains from talking about the film.) It's revealing and insightful, getting into details that some of the cast still feels uncomfortable discussing; in other words, it's not your typical PR machine featurette.

The bulk of the supplements are contained on the second disc in this 2-DVD set, which Fox includes for the very reasonable \$34.95 retail price. If you're a fan of the movie and never owned the laserdisc, do yourself a favor and pick up this package. If you already

owned that edition, the DVD is still worth it thanks to the conclusion of both cuts of the movie, and in a better-looking presentation that takes full advantage of the benefits DVD has to offer. Great stuff!

NEWS & NOTES

Buena Vista's DVD of The Sixth Sense (\$29.98) has been a huge seller, and FSM readers should be especially pleased by one of the supplemental featurettes that details James Newton Howard's score and the film's sound design. Newton Howard appears with director M. Night Shyamalan in detailing the restrained use of music and subtle sound effects work, two technical elements that made the movie much more than your usual ghost story. By the way, after having watched the film a second time, it's more evident to me than ever that Newton Howard's music is one of last year's finest works, alternately eerie and poignant, but scored with a delicate touch absent from so many of today's heavy-handed, melodramatic scores...

Image has an intriguing slate of new releases planned, including remastered letterboxed versions of The Slipper and the Rose (\$24.98) and *Dreamscape* (\$24.98), both with remixed Dolby Digital 5.1 soundtracks and additional supplements. Slipper is a beautifully filmed, enjoyable (if overlong) retelling of the Cinderella fairy tale, with Richard Chamberlain and Gemma Craven starring, a plethora of engaging Sherman Brothers songs, and beautiful Austrian and English locales. Dreamscape was one of the many fantasy films released during the summer of '84, with Dennis Quaid and Kate Capshaw venturing into the subconscious, with the allsynth Maurice Jarre score following them on the ride. Both releases should be well worth checking out, particularly for genre fans... Anchor Bay's slate of wide-ranging, eclectic entertainment heads into Hammer territory once again with a slate of releases planned for June and October...

Meanwhile, the DVD that surely everyone is pining for-that limited-edition, 2-DVD restoration of Supergirl—has been officially scheduled for July 25th. The 50,000-copy pressing will include Jeannot Swarzc commentary, an introduction from the Maiden of Steel herself (Helen Slater), the ABC "Making-Of" documentary, and both the 124minute European release version and a neverbefore-screened 140-minute print. The retail price has dropped to \$39.98, but there will be a movie-only DVD available for \$24.98 (of the European version) as well. On July 25th, Anchor Bay will also release a 40,000-copy pressing of the Army of Darkness: Director's Cut. The 2-DVD limited edition set from last year (which was limited to 30,000 pieces and contained both versions of the movie

and extensive extras) will not be repressed, however, so collectors take note! Other summer discs worth cooling off to include debut letterboxed editions of Alexander Salkind productions *The Prince and the Pauper* (aka *Crossed Swords*) and *Santa Claus: The Movie* (THX!), plus the Zucker-Abrahams/ John Landis classic *Kentucky Fried Movie* (with commentary) and Special Editions of cult favorites *Repo Man* and *Evil Dead 2*. Next year, the company plans DVDs for titles as diverse as *Space Camp, The Sword and the Sorcerer* (Matt Houston fans take note, Lee Horsley lives again!), and even the hysterically bad Elisabeth Shue 1986 ape-

thriller *Link* (with a daffy Jerry Goldsmith score), which director Richard Franklin claimed was ruined in the editing room by the Cannon Group. Perhaps with a little help from Anchor Bay, Franklin's original cut will be unearthed (hey, if it can happen for *Supergirl* and *The Watcher in the Woods*, why not?)...

Don't forget that you can find extensive DVD reviews in my "Aisle Seat" column at www.filmscoremonthly.com/aisleseat, archived for your convenience, and direct all emails to me at dursina@att.net. See you next time!



PHANTOM MENACE MANIA

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scene. Then we move to the gunfight in the hallway, and 2:17-2:19, which is looped to last five or so seconds. Finally, we hear 2:19-2:37, edited from roughly 18 seconds to roughly 13.

47:44-49:40 The Battles Continue

A fairly straight, uncut presentation of Sony CD track 5, 0:26-2:31.

49:40-49:48 Ascension Guns (part 1) 49:48-49:54 Ascension Guns (part 2) 49:54-50:00 Ascension Guns (part 3) 50:00-50:27

Dueling on the Catwalks (part 1) 50:27-50:51

Dueling on the Catwalks (part 2)

More material from Sony CD, track 2. First is 0:58-1:02, which is looped to play twice. Next is 1:15-1:21, then 1:58-2:04, which underscore the actions of the Queen as she tries to retake the palace. Following that is 3:07-3:35, as we return to the lightsaber duel, and finally, 3:43-4:09, the end of the cue, which perfectly punctuates the imposed interlude in the sword

51:05-51:18 The Energy Shields

Unreleased

As soon as the energy shields activate, the pulsing rhythms of "Duel of the Fates" reach their cadence and the score changes gears. We are now presented with 13 seconds of high strings with flourishes in the piano and flute. Suitably unsettling.

51:18-52:50 The Gungans Retreat

Big brass chords and more classic John Williams action "ballet" as he underscores the retreat of the Gungans after their shield is destroyed. This cue is found on the Sony CD on track 9, from 2:27-4:13, the end of the track.

52:50-53:31 Anakin Crashes on the Federation Ship

This cue can be found on the *TPM* CD-ROM as file "sqgripping1. imc." Its finale resembles a section of the concert arrangement of "Duel of the Fates," and it ends 58:14-58:29 Obi-Wan Comes of Age with an homage to serials of old, with tremolo strings heightening This cue can be heard under nar-

the tension.

53:31-55:46 Qui-Gon's Noble End

At last a segment of this cue that actually jibes with the title it was given on the Sony CD (pity that it was such a spoiler). Track 15, from 1:29-3:47 (the end of the track) is heard in the film as Maul paces, waiting for the energy shields to deactivate, before dueling with Qui-Gon. After Jinn is defeated, we see the Gungan army being subjugated by the Battledroids. The cue ends as Queen Amidala is captured by the Nemoidians, then fights to regain her freedom. We return to the reactor room as Obi-Wan prepares to face Darth Maul, a scene left virtually music-free.

(54:01-54:18)Manic Flutes and Piccolo Overdub

This cue appears on the *TPM* CD-ROM as the opening moments of "sqgripping1.imc," but is heard in the film superimposed over the previous cue as Darth Maul duels with Qui-Gon Jinn moments before 1:03:51-end End Credits striking him with his lightsaber. It is very simply some frenetic piccolo and flute jabs played in a manic style. I believe it was intended to go here, but was tacked onto the beginning of "sqgripping1.imc" by the game makers at LucasArts, superimposed over the percussive intro for use in the CD-ROM.

56:27-57:54 Anakin Destroys the Federation Ship

A nice piece of action music that starts in 7/4 time, this cue underscores Anakin as he blows up the reactor and destroys the droid control ship. It can be heard in the TPM CD-ROM as file "sqreactor. imc." It features a presentation of the "Duel of the Fates" theme and the Force theme.

57:54-58:10 A Ship in the Desert (remixed)

After Anakin destroys Federation Droid control ship, the score is tracked with a cue from Tatooine earlier in the film, remixed to eliminate the glockenspiel and more brightly colored musical elements.

Unreleased

ration in the 15-second "Amidala" TV commercial, and is another orchestration of the Force theme as Obi-Wan ceases his apprenticeship to Qui-Gon Jinn and masters the Force to defeat Darth Maul.

58:29-59:36 The Death of Darth Maul The Death of Qui-Gon Jinn

These two cues, most likely recorded as one long cue beginning with "Obi-Wan Comes of Age" and ending with the final notes of this cue, are found as the files "sqmauldeathloop.imc" and "sqquigondeath.imc" on the *TPM* CD-ROM. The former cue has some low-end rumbling sound effects on it.

59:36-1:02:31 Palpatine Arrives on Naboo/

Yoda and Obi-Wan Kenobi/ Funeral for Qui-Gon Jinn This cue appears without edits on the Sony CD as track 16.

1:02:31-1:03:51 Naboo Parade

This cue is presented on the Sony CD as track 17. The parade portion of the cue differs from the film version, I suspect, because it was mixed once by Shawn Murphy in a separate session for the CD, and then again by the re-recording mixers in the dubbing session for the film (much like the "Ewok Celebration" and "Lapti Nek" from Sqfightmaul2end.imc: An unused the original release of Return of the Jedi). The end credits appear "as is" in the film, although the closing moments of "Anakin's Theme" feature the sound of Darth Vader's mechanical breathing for added foreboding. With track 16 and the majority of track 17, The Phantom Menace ends fairly darkly for what is mostly a bright kid's film. It is certainly a departure from the brassy fanfares that conclude episodes 4, 5 and 6. Bodes well for parts 2 and 3, supposedly the darkest of the six films.

Omitted Cues

"A Ship in the Desert," which is After all this, we are left with a From the Racer few cues that are not included in **video game CD-ROM:** the film, some of which have been There is a piece of music in the mentioned earlier in this list. For the sake of completion, a full list is included here:

From the Sony CD: Track 4 0:00-1:08

(Jar Jar music) Track 11 1:23-1:38 (Probe Droid alt.)

Track 14 3:20-3:45 (Spooky synth music)

From the Obi-Wan Kenobi 15 TV Spot:

Unused, trumpet-driven music from TPM.

From the Phantom Menace video game CD-ROM:

Sgassaultintro.imc:

Some action music using the ostinato motif from "Duel of the Fates."

Sqfederation.imc:

This version of "Activating the Battledroids" contains extra music not in the movie, including some alternate percussion (heard briefly in the film) and some synth-sounding trombone music.

Sqfight5.imc:

Unused music for the last segment of the Bongo trip (some websites cite this as omitted music for when Qui-Gon rescues Jar Jar).

Sgfightmaul2.imc:

An alternate, film version of a portion of "Duel of the Fates."

cadence.

Sggripping2.imc:

Additional music for marching Battledroids.

Somaulduelstart.imc:

An unused recording of the choir in "Duel of the Fates."

Soplayerdeath.imc:

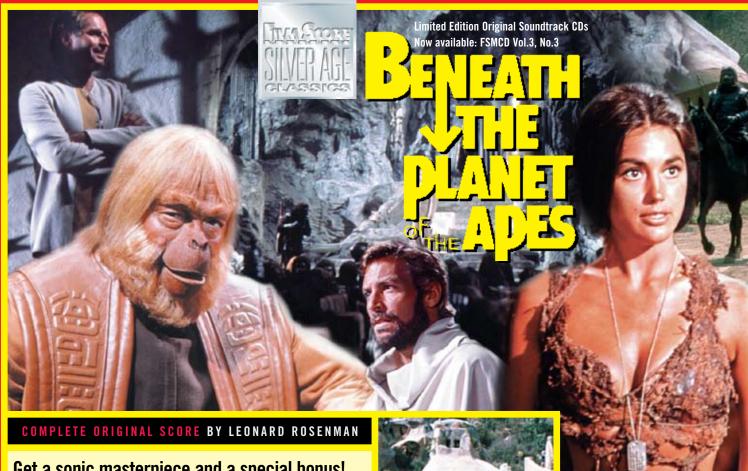
An unused cadence.

Sgscary2.imc:

A low string swell (possibly a remix of "Darth Maul Arrives on Tatooine").

game Episode 1: Racer called "racerloop," which consists of an instrumental mix of a minute or so of "Duel of the Fates."

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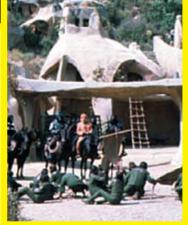
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