

# New On DVD & Blu-Ray

**Sherlock Holmes** The hangman did his job, Dr. Watson declared the condemned man dead...and yet Lord Blackwood has emerged from the tomb to assert his deadly will over 1890 London. Is he in league with the forces of hell itself? Is the whole Empire in peril? It's a mystery macabre - and only Sherlock Holmes can master it. Robert Downey Jr. and Jude Law put memorable imprints on Holmes and Watson in this bold new reimagining that makes the legendary sleuth a daring man of action as well as a peerless man of intellect. Baffling clues, astonishing Holmesian deductions, nimble repartee, catch-your-breath scenes of one slam thing after another - director Guy Ritchie helms the excitement reintroducing the great detective to the world. Meet the new Sherlock Holmes! *Warner*

**Alvin and the Chipmunks The Squeakquel** Alvin, Simon, and Theodore meet their musical match after returning to school and entering into a battle of the bands competition in hopes of saving the school's troubled music program. Sent to live with Dave Seville's younger nephew Toby (Zachary Levi), the three lovable marmots decide that getting an education is more important than belting out pop tunes. But the school's music program is about to go belly up, and the only way to save it is to win the 25,000-dollar prize in the upcoming battle of the bands. Though the Chipmunks are confident they have the songwriting skills to steamroll the competition, a newly formed singing trio dubbed the Chippettes promises to give them some stiff competition on-stage. Brittany, Eleanor, and Jeanette are indeed the real deal, and the closer the competition gets, the more Alvin, Simon, and Theodore realize that in order to win, they'll have to give it everything they've got. *Fox*

**Bleach Vol 26** The Bount leader Jin Kariya has absorbed the immense power of the Jokai Crest and now threatens all of the Soul Society with utter destruction. The former scientist Rantao, co-creator of the Bounts, naively hoped to save Kariya from the purge of the Soul Reapers, but the little Bount boy she remembers is now a cold-blooded killer. Only Ichigo stands in his way, and the two face off. When it looks darkest for Ichigo, the substitute Soul Reaper finds his inner power, White Ichigo! *Viz / Warner*

**Bleach Vol 27** This hit Japanese anime series based on the manga by Tite Kubo follows the adventures of spirit-seeing teen superhero Ichigo Kurosaki as he and his supernatural sidekick, Rangiku Matsumoto and several other Soul Reapers arrive to help in the battle against the evil Bounts. Entering the cave hideout, they soon discover they've stumbled into a trap! Just in time to back up their comrades, Ichigo faces the Bount leader Kariya and must summon his bankai if he is to survive, while Uryu? must rediscover his lost powers as well.. *Viz / Warner*

**Defendor** Woody Harrelson is construction worker by day, self-made superhero by night in *Defendor*, a comedy that takes aim at society's infatuation with comic book mythologies. While the city is awake, Arthur Poppington (Harrelson) holds traffic signs, and is nearly invisible to all who pass; after hours, he assumes his secret identity (complete with homemade costume) and prowls the streets in search of his arch-nemesis, Captain Industry. Along the way, he saves a young prostitute (Kat Dennings) from an abusive undercover cop (Elias Koteas), a move that proves his commitment to fighting for the weak, but also turns him into a real live fugitive from the law. *Sony*

**Bert & Ernie's Word Play** Buddies Bert and Ernie team up with some of their Sesame Street pals to put on a "word play" in this fun and educational program geared toward the 2- to 6-year-old set. Kids won't even realize they're learning about phonics and letter and word recognition as they laugh at the antics of belly dancing chickens and tap dancing penguins. Bert and Ernie tell corny jokes in a vaudeville routine, while a pie-throwing machine creates hilarious chaos. *Warner*

**Tenure** An English professor at a small private college finds his shot at tenure threatened by the sudden arrival of a pretty Yale PhD. onto the staff in this collegiate comedy from the producers of *Rushmore*. Charlie Thurber (Luke Wilson) isn't interested in school politics, and as a result his career is stalling out. But Charlie's a hit with the students, so when his chance for tenure comes up he's confident he'll get a fair evaluation. That confidence is shaken, however, when Elaine Grasso (Gretchen Moll) is hired on to the English staff. A published writer from a prestigious pedigree, Elaine has accomplished the things that Charlie's only dreamt about. Even Charlie's aging father, a celebrated professor, seems disappointed that his son hasn't accomplished more. Enter Jay Hadley (David Koechner); Jay is an anthropology teacher at the college who also happens to be Charlie's best friend. Jay isn't willing to sit idly by while Elaine takes Charlie's job, and is soon channeling all of his energy to sabotaging the well-intending newcomer's career. But despite being envious of Elaine's accomplishments, Charlie just can't bring himself to hate her; on the contrary, his attraction to her is growing by the day. As the time comes to make some decisions that will most certainly affect the course of his career, Charlie realizes that the only path worth walking is the one that you carve out for yourself. *Vivendi*

**Killer Subs in Pearl Harbor** Plunge beneath the waters of Pearl Harbor with NOVA on a journey to investigate the sinking of the USS Arizona. After decades of believing the Arizona was sunk by Japanese bombers, researchers now speculate that Japanese midget subs could be to blame for the tragedy. In that incident alone, over 1,000 servicemen perished. By exploring the ocean floor, investigators uncover the wreckage of a two-man Japanese submarine they believe may have fired that fateful torpedo. Additional aerial photos and interviews with U.S. and Japanese veterans offer an intensely personal take on the event that plunged the U.S. directly into the fray of World War II. *PBS*

**Riddles of the Sphinx** This eye-opening installment of "NOVA" explores Egypt's mysterious Great Sphinx of Giza that keeps watch over vast stretches of sand and still has scholars debating about who built it, why and how long it's been there. With the aid of archaeological experts, the program also ponders the mammoth task of constructing and carving the sculpture, which is the single-largest monolith statue on the planet. *PBS*

**Building Pharaoh Ship** Join the adventure-seekers at NOVA as they seek the answers to a mystery 3,500 years in the making. Hatshepsut was a female pharaoh whose magnificent tomb still stands today. Inside is a mural depicting the departure of a massive trading ship to a land called Punt. A mysterious realm of wealth and prosperity, Punt was long-thought to be nothing more than a myth. But what if it was real? The Egyptians were well known for their ability to navigate the Nile, but is it possible they embarked on longer journeys into the open sea as well? In order to investigate, archeologists and experts work together to construct the same boat depicted in the mural, and put their vessel to the test with a voyage into the Red Sea. *PBS*