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News

SUPER8 ACQUIRES PRECISION CAMERA

Precision Camera, formerly of Sherman Oaks, CA, has been for years the place to contact for the servicing and repair of Beaulieu cameras. As of this summer, Precision Camera is now part of Super8 Sound and has relocated its offices to 2805 West Magnolia Blvd. in Burbank. Super8 Sound welcomes Precision with its years of experience and large supplies of spare parts as a valuable asset towards providing the best service available for Beaulieu camera owners.

FLATLINERS TAKING SUPER 8 TO THE HEREAFTER

This summer, med students Kiefer Sutherland, Julia Roberts and Kevin Bacon will conduct experiments on what lies behind the threshold of clinical death; that is the premise of Columbia Pictures upcoming release, Flatliners. The film is being shot by Jan De Bont, ASC, an enthusiastic fan of super 8 who has previously used super 8 seamlessly intercut into last year's release of Black Rain, featuring Michael Douglas. The super 8 segments shot with anamorphic lenses are to be used to represent a video image as Bont found that a video blow-up to 70mm ultimately unworkable. De Bont was quoted in the Feb. '90 article of Film & Video that although the super 8 footage was to be used in a 35/70mm feature for the now familiar grain-enhanced "super 8 look"; after tests of the stocks, he commented: "I was very surprised at just how good it looks. It almost looked too good."

JET BENNY COMES TO VHS

Roger Evans parody adventure of Jack Benny in the 24th & ¼ century was one of the most technically advanced super 8 features. Super8 Sound has now acquired the rights for distribution and a producers copy is available on VHS for $9.95.

NOW AVAILABLE: THE BEAULIEU 7008 CUSTOM BARNEY

Super8 Sound is pleased to announce the introduction of the 7008 custom barney. The barney is made of leather as an improvement over the bulkier lead foam and is designed to allow for greater camera noise reduction while at the same time offering easier access to function controls and allowing for quick changing of cartridges. The barney comes complete with an additional covering for the 200° cartridge and is available for $495.00.

MR. & MRS. BRIDGE & SUPER 8

James Ivory & Ismail Merchants latest production, Mr. & Mrs. Bridge stars Paul Newman and Joanne Woodward. The film is based on the novels of Evan Connell about the country-club circuit of Kansas City in the 1930s and will include segments shot in super 8.

HE'S AT IT AGAIN THIS TIME ON HARD COPY

Mark Pirro, that latter-day Roger Corman of low-budget super 8 features who made the shoestring epics "A Polish Vampire in Burbank" which gained him the recognition and backing to make a 35mm feature "Deathrow GameShow" and that riveting sendup of homophobia, "Curse of the Queerwolf", is currently at work on "Nudist Colony of the Dead". Pirro plans to break new ground. "For me, Polish Vampire in Burbank was a breakthrough because I used state of the art super 8 at the time and pushed myself and the format to the limit. So now, I've done a couple of 35mm features, but I feel comfortable coming back to super 8 as it's come into its own as a professional format." Mr. Pirro's latest work was the subject of the June 29th episode of the TV newsmagazine HARD COPY as the trend of successful independent filmmakers continues by shooting super 8 for home video.

DISTRIBUTION FOR SUPER 8

Super8 Sound will be hosting a booth to show full length super 8 feature films at this year's Cinefest Show in Las Vegas this September. This show is a forum for distributors around the world and Super8 Sound will be sponsoring independent filmmakers using super 8. For more information contact Mark Hedley at the Super8 office in Burbank, (818) 848-5522.

KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR SUPER 8 IN:

THE ORBITRONS by "Ghost Limb Films"
THE HUNGAN by Randell DiNinni
DOCTOR STRAIN THE BODY SNATCHER directed by La Monte R. Fritts
SAN CLEMENTE LOCALS by Jeff Neu
UNSOLVED TV-THE MOVIE by Phil Tardiff
FROM TNT-THE DEAD NEXT DOOR
FROM LORIMAR PICTURES: D.E.A. & GABRIEL FREE
FROM FOX TV: AGAINST THE LAW

THE TEN MOST SUCCESSFUL SUPER 8 FEATURE FILMS:

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INFORMATION

NEW SUPER 8 DEMO TAPE NOW AVAILABLE.

A new videotape showing clips of recent productions shot in Super 8 is now available from Super 8 Sound. The tape contains excerpts from feature films, documentaries, music videos, and commercials. You can borrow the tape free for as long as you like. All we require is a $10.00 deposit (refundable) and $5.00 to cover the cost of shipping and handling.