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When it comes to martial arts cinema, one name stands above all others – Bruce Lee. Not only one of cinema’s most phenomenally talented physical performers, he also possessed a star aura that transcended cult status to make Bruce Lee one of the great icons of pop culture.

Now, four of his greatest films are coming to dual **DVD & Blu-ray October 26th** – **The Big Boss, Fist of Fury, The Way of the Dragon and Game of Death**. All landmarks in the martial arts cinema and integral to the legend of Bruce Lee!

THE BIG BOSS

The film that began Bruce Lee’s legacy as the world’s greatest martial arts star!

Bruce Lee’s first major role and the movie that made him a star across Asia. He plays a man who uncovers a drug smuggling ring after his cousins mysteriously disappear. With a brilliant performance from Lee, plus his incredible trademark fighting, it’s a true martial arts classic!

Key talent:

Bruce Lee (*Fist of Fury, Enter The Dragon, Way of the Dragon*)

Nora Miao (*Fist of Fury, Way of the Dragon*)

James Tien (*Fist of Fury, Game of Death, The Fearless Hyena*)

Tony Liu (*Way of the Dragon, Fist of Fury, Revenge: A Love Story*)

Yien Chieh-han (*Fist of Fury, The End of the Wicked Tiger*)



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Synopsis:

When Cheng Chao-an (Bruce Lee) travels to stay with extended family Thailand, he takes a job with his cousins in an ice factory. With the factory's abusive foreman and gang violence within the town, he Cheng struggles to keep the oath he swore to his late mother – than he would never fight again.

But when his cousins begin to disappear, Cheng unravels a dark secret in the factory and it's just a matter of time before he breaks the oath...

We like it because:

With its raw cinematography and trumpeting score, *The Big Boss* is as authentic as 1970s Hong Kong martial arts cinema gets. What truly sets it apart is the charisma and phenomenal physicality of Bruce Lee, who makes one of the most memorable leading man debuts in movie history.

It's a smart move to have his character make a vow of nonviolence – by keeping Lee grounded for the first half of the film, it builds huge anticipation for the action. When he does eventually erupt into a blaze of kicks and punches, it's easy to see how Lee became a star overnight.

The film is also notable for featuring fight choreographer Yien Chieh-han as the titular "Big Boss" – and his climactic showdown with Lee does not disappoint!

Special features:

- Audio Commentary with Hong Kong cinema expert Mike Leeder
- Audio Commentary with Bruce Lee expert Andrew Staton and Will Johnston
- "Breaking the West" Interview with Warner Bros executive and co-producer of "Enter the Dragon" "What Might Have Been" Interview with Tom Kuhn
- The History of The Big Boss: A photographic retrospective
- Original 35mm Title sequence
- Textless 35mm Title sequence
- Rare uncut 8mm trailer
- Promotional Gallery
- Deleted Scenes Examined
- Hong Kong promotional trailer
- Original Theatrical Trailer
- 24-page collector's booklet
- Reversible sleeve within newly commissioned artwork

FIST OF FURY

The movie that cemented Bruce Lee as the king of Kung Fu cinema!

Bruce Lee's second film in a leading role features groundbreaking martial arts action and an emotionally charged story about Chinese and Japanese racial tensions. An instant classic on release and still considered one of Lee's greatest moments on-screen.

Key talent:

Bruce Lee (*The Big Boss, Enter The Dragon, Way of the Dragon*)

Nora Miao (*The Big Boss, Way of the Dragon*)

Riki Hashimoto (*Return of Daimajin, My Lucky Stars 2*)

Ping Ou Wei (*Way of the Dragon, Fists of Bruce Lee*)

James Tien (*The Big Boss, Game of Death, The Fearless Hyena*)

Synopsis:

When martial arts master Chen Zhen (Bruce Lee) returns to Shanghai to marry his fiancée, he discovers that his mentor has died mysteriously. At the funeral, Chen and his late master's others students are taunted by members of a rival Japanese dojo, which kicks off a war between the Chinese and Japanese schools... and sets Chen on a mission to avenge the death of his master!

We like it because:

Fist of Fury broke new ground on its release and hasn't lost a step in over 40 years. With fight choreography from Han Ying-Chieh, who also worked on *The Big Boss*, the action explodes – creating some of the most frenetic and hard-hitting fight sequences ever seen in Hong Kong cinema.

There's also an emotional undercurrent as the film plays on the real-life racial tensions between China and Japan at the time, making *Fist of Fury* a story of substance as well as highly stylized action.

In his follow up to *The Big Boss*, Bruce Lee also cements himself as martial arts cinema's top star with his physical prowess and intense performance.

Fans agree it's one of the icon's finest performances!

Special features:

- Audio commentary with Hong Kong cinema expert Mike Leeder
- Audio commentary from Asian film expert Bey Logan
- The First Lady: an interview with Nora Miao
- Blade of Fury: an interview with Riki Hashimoto
- Master of Bushido: an interview with Jun Katsumura
- The Fist of Fury location guide with Bey Logan
- First Amongst Equals: an interview with the world's number one Jeet Kune Do instructor, Sifu Dan Inosanto
- Legacy of a Master: an interview with acclaimed action-director, Jeff Imada
- Tracking the Dragon: an interview with Bruce Lee's personal photographer Linda Palmer
- Friend to the Stars: an interview with Bruce Lee confidante, Joe Torrenewva
- Trailer gallery
- Rare photo archive
- 24- page collector's booklet
- Reversible sleeve within newly commissioned artwork

THE WAY OF THE DRAGON

The legendary action comedy that made Bruce Lee an international star!

The film that made Bruce Lee an icon and one of the biggest movie stars in the world. He plays a martial artist who travels to Italy to defend a relative's restaurant from local gangsters. Though it's as much a culture clash comedy as a martial arts film, it features some of Lee's most famous action scenes.

Key talent:

Director & Star

Bruce Lee (*Enter the Dragon, Game of Death*)

Cast

Nora Miao (*The Big Boss, The Chinese Connection*)

Chick Norris (*The Delta Force, The Expendables 2*)

Robert Wall (*Enter the Dragon, Invasion U.S.A.*)

Synopsis:

When gangsters harass Chen (Nora Miao) and her uncle, they ask relatives in Hong Kong to send help to Rome and help defend their restaurant. Before long, expert fighter Tang Lung (Bruce Lee) arrives and leads the restaurant staff in an uprising against the gangsters.

But determined to take over the restaurant, the mob hires a deadly American sensei to destroy Tang in a climactic battle to the death!

We like it because:

Not only the film that put Bruce Lee on the international movie map, it's his first film as director – and the only one

he would fully complete before his tragic death.

The result is something quite surprising – while action-packed, *The Way of the Dragon* is also a departure from the darker films he'd previously starred in and plays up to the inherent comedy of the culture-clash as Lee's Hong Kong native arrives in Rome.

It features some of his most iconic fight sequences, including his legendary showdown with Chuck Norris – still a master-class in martial arts cinema over 40 years later.

Special features:

- Introduction: Robert Lee
- Introduction: Bey Logan
- Audio Commentary with Hong Kong cinema expert Mike Leeder
- Audio Commentary by Bey Logan and co-star Jon Benn
- “A Dragon Remembered”: Interview with Bruce Lee's brother Robert Lee
- “Double Edged Sword”: An exclusive interview with co-star and ‘Black Belt Hall of Fame’ championship fighter Bob Wall
- Bruce Lee Trailer Archive including rare UK theatrical trailers and TV spots
- Inside “Way Of The Dragon” featuring interviews with production managers Chaplin Chang and Louis Sit
- “Memories of the Master” featurette: Bruce's training partner (Pat Johnson) reveals fascinating anecdotes of Bruce's relationship with Chuck Norris and Steve McQueen
- “Dragon Rising”: a re-mastered transfer of Bruce Lee's only remaining screentest
- “Artist and Warrior”: An exclusive interview with Bruce's friend and co-star Tony Lau Wing
- “Warrior Immortal featurette” with co-star and Hapkido Grandmaster Wong In-sik sharing his thoughts on Bruce Lee and his fighting art Jeet Kune Do
- Reflections on the “The Little Dragon” Promo
- Production Photo Gallery
- Rare Photo Archive (containing rare stills, posters and original lobby card artwork)
- 24 page Collectors booklet
- Reversible sleeve with newly commissioned artwork

GAME OF DEATH

The infamous final movie of Bruce Lee's iconic career!

The legendary martial arts film that was still unfinished at the time of its star and director Bruce Lee's death. Using a mixture of newly shot scenes and footage taken from earlier in Lee's career, the film was given new life and became another martial arts classic.

Key talent:

Bruce Lee (*Enter the Dragon, Way of the Dragon*)
Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (*Airplane, Fletch*)
James Tien (*The Chinese Connection, The Fearless Hyena*)
Hugh O'Brian (*The Shootist, Ten Little Indians*)
Dean Jagger (*White Christmas, Vanishing Point*)
Colleen Camp (*Apocalypse Now, American Hustle*)

Director

Robert Clouse (*Enter the Dragon, Gymkata*)

Synopsis:

After rising to fame as a martial arts movie star, Billy Lo (Bruce Lee) refuses to be intimidated by a syndicate of racketeers – causing the syndicate's boss Dr Land (Dean Jagger) to order Billy's assassination.

When the attempt on his life leaves him in need of plastic surgery, Billy fakes his own death and hides away. But when the syndicate kidnaps his fiancée Ann (Colleen Camp) he's forced to come out of hiding and take revenge on them one-by-one...

We like it because:

Game of Death is the most famous “unfinished” film in movie history. After Lee’s untimely death, the film would be finished using a combination of body doubles, previously shot scenes and even footage from Lee’s actual funeral – the finished result has become the stuff of movie legend.

The action sequences that Lee did shoot are amongst the most exciting of his career. His physical prowess and timing have never been better, especially in his electric showdown with Kareem Abdul-Jabbar.

It’s also fascinating to see how director Robert Clouse completed the film and comparing to the urban legends of what Lee’s original vision would have been.

An essential piece of martial arts movie history!

Special features:

- Audio commentary with Hong Kong cinema expert Bey Logan
- Audio Commentary With Hong Kong Film Expert Mike Leeder
- Five deleted scenes, including alternate title sequence and extended ending
- Production photo gallery
- Rare archive photo gallery
- Original UK and Cantonese Theatrical Trailers
- Featurette: Dan Inosanto - Warrior And Teacher
- Dan Inosanto Jeet Kune Do and other Asian methods of fighting seminar (40mins)
- Featurette: Taky Kimura - Keeping The Flame Alive
- Featurette: George Lazenby - Reflections Of The Master
- “Game of Death” outtake footage
- ‘Legacy of the Dragon’ documentary (46 mins)
- “Game of Death” re-visited (40 minutes of footage edited as a literal interpretation of Lee’s original plan)
- 24 page collector’s booklet
- Reversible sleeve with newly commissioned artwork