

A HISTORY OF VIOLENCE

Press Release

Available to buy on DVD and to rent on VHS March 14, 2006

Director: David Cronenberg

Starring: Viggo Mortensen, Maria Bello, Ed Harris, William Hurt

MPAA Rating: R for brutal violence, graphic sexuality, nudity, language and some drug use

Total Running Time: 95 Minutes

DVD Order Date: February 7, 2006

“David Cronenberg’s brilliant movie – without a doubt one of the best of the year.”

–Lisa Schwarzbaum, Entertainment Weekly

VIGGO MORTENSEN STARS IN THE
CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED THRILLER

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FROM NEW LINE HOME ENTERTAINMENT

All-Star Cast Includes Golden Globe™ Nominee MARIA BELLO, Academy Award™ Nominee ED HARRIS and Academy Award™–Winner WILLIAM HURT
LOS ANGELES, CA (December 5, 2005) – Life’s unexpected turns and the consequences of the past are at the center of New Line Home Entertainment’s powerful, critically lauded thriller A History of Violence, available on DVD on March 14, 2006. Directed by acclaimed filmmaker David Cronenberg (The Fly, Crash), the movie stars Viggo Mortensen (The Lord of the Rings Motion Picture Trilogy, Hidalgo) and Maria Bello (The Cooler, Secret Window) in the story of the Stall family and one single moment that dramatically shatters life as they know it. The strong supporting cast includes Ed Harris (The Hours, Pollock) and Academy Award®–winner William Hurt (Kiss of the Spider Woman, Syriana), and the DVD features thought–provoking director commentary, an “Acts of Violence” documentary and three featurettes. Available at a \$28.98 SRP, the DVD has an order due date of February 7, 2006.

SYNOPSIS

Tom Stall (Mortensen) is living a happy and quiet life with his lawyer wife (Bello) and their two children in the small town of Millbrook, Indiana. One night, though, their idyllic existence is shattered when

Tom foils a vicious attempted robbery in his diner. He takes action and saves his customers and friends in the self-defense killings of two-sought-after criminals. Heralded as a hero, Tom's life is changed overnight, attracting a national media circus, which forces him into the spotlight. Uncomfortable with his newfound celebrity, Tom tries to return to the normalcy of his ordinary life only to be confronted by a mysterious and threatening man (Ed Harris) who arrives in town believing Tom is the man who's wronged him in the past. As Tom and his family fight back against this case of supposed mistaken identity and struggle to cope with their changed reality, they are forced to confront their relationships and the divisive issues which surface as a result. A History of Violence is loosely based on the graphic novel by Vince Locke and John Wagner.

DVD SPECIAL FEATURES*

- Feature commentary by director David Cronenberg
- Deleted scene with commentary by director David Cronenberg
- "Acts of Violence" documentary
- "Violence's History: United States Version vs. International Version" featurette
- "The Unmaking of Scene 44" featurette
- "Too Commercial for Cannes" featurette
- Theatrical trailer
- 16x9 widescreen (1.85:1) version of the film
- Dolby Digital 5.1 and Stereo Surround 2.0
- English DTS
- English & Spanish subtitles
- Closed captions

*DVD special features subject to change.

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A History of Violence	DVD	Keepcase \$28.98 SRP			N10095
		0-7806-5409-9		794043100956	
A History of Violence	VHS	Slipsleeve N/A			N10125
		5433-1		794043101250	0-7806-
A History of Violence	VHS/Spanish	Slipsleeve N/A			N10126
		0-7806-5434-X		794043101267	

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