

# Books, Booklets, Brochures

**The Motion Picture Guide** contains facts, credits, plot descriptions, historical sketches, and anecdotal information on more than 50,000 English-language and notable foreign films. Packaged in twelve volumes, the encyclopedia provides in-depth treatment on each movie: how it was produced, its rating, box-office success, and social and historical significance. The guide also lists the nominees and winners of Academy Awards, as well as titles of U.S. and foreign film festivals and awards competitions. Written by film experts Jay Robert Nash and Stanley Ralph Ross, the comprehensive reference covers the motion-picture industry from the silent era up to the present. Additional information about *The Motion Picture Guide* is available from CineBooks, Inc., 990 Grove St., Evanston, IL 60201.

**Using Copyrighted Videocassettes** covers the correct, licit use of videocassettes in classrooms, libraries, and training rooms. Author Jerome K. Miller examines a range of topics in the book, including in-

fringements, videocassette purchase conditions, amendments authorizing free video presentations in hospitals and nursing homes, and the American Library Association's position on video showings in public libraries. Anyone interested in the publication can send \$19.95 plus \$1.50 for shipping and handling to Copyright Information Services, P.O. Box 1460, Friday Harbor, WA 98250.

**A Primer on Lighting for Video** has been made available by Comprehensive Video Supply Corp. The booklet is designed for the beginner as well as the business organization planning to establish or enlarge a video center. Featured is information on the selection of lighting fixtures and accessories, advice on how to control and place light, and explanations of names and expressions commonly used in the lighting industry. A copy of *A Primer on Lighting for Video* can be obtained by writing to the company at 148 Veterans Dr., Northvale, NJ 07647.

Comprehensive has also published a

supplement to its product catalog, *The Complete Book of Professional Video Accessories*. Presented in the supplement are the company's interface cables and accessories for RGB component equipment, field-installable connectors, and Macintosh software, and other products.

**A product catalog** has been published by Shintron Co. Inc., 144 Rogers St., Cambridge, MA 02142. The catalog, consisting of eight sections, provides general descriptive information as well as technical specifications on Shintron's production and routing switchers, distribution amplifiers, time-code systems, framestore devices, and other products. A copy can be obtained by writing to the company's sales department at the address given.

**An application note** on the proper grounding and shielding of instrumentation amplifier input leads has been released by Caltex Manufacturing Co., Inc., 3355 Vincent Rd., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523. The literature covers the mechanisms that allow noise to be coupled into low-level instrumentation signal leads and describes in detail the methodology for preventing the problems commonly encountered in low-level measurements. A free copy of the two-page application note is available by contacting Caltex at the address given.

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