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**Incident at Vichy**  
DVD 792.92

Television adaptation of Arthur Miller's play, set in a detention room in Vichy in 1942, where a number of Jews await interrogation before being sent to concentration camps. Issues of personal responsibility are explored through the character of an Austrian prince who has been guilty of silent complicity during the German occupation of France.

**Bielski brothers Jerusalem in the woods, The**  
DVD 940.53

Describes the actions of Tuvia, Asael, and Zus Bielski during World War II. The three brothers, living in the Soviet Republic of Belorussia, built an elaborate village for rescued Jews. The forest haven included a bakery, communal bath, synagogue, and even a theater company. Although they mounted guerrilla attacks against the enemy, their priority was saving their people, eventually rescuing 1,200 men, women and children.

**Irena Sendler in the name of their mothers**  
DVD 940.53

This is the story of 29-year-old Irena Sendler, who saw the suffering of Warsaw's Jews, reached out to her most trusted colleagues for help, and outwitted the Nazis during World War II. Together, they rescued over 2,500 Jewish children. Expertly captured is the will and character of the women of the resistance against the backdrop of occupied Poland.

**World at War, The** v1-11  
DVD 940.53

A multi-volume documentary mini-series, "The World at War" covers the entire history of World War II from the causes of the 1920s to the aftermath of the Cold War in the 1950s. Emphasis is also placed on several inside story episodes, where events are covered which occurred inside Germany and Japan such as resistance to Hitler, life in general under a dictatorial regime, and particular emphasis is focused on the Jewish Holocaust.

**Anne Frank Remembered**  
DVD 940.5318

Using previously unreleased archival material in addition to contemporary interviews, this academy award-winning documentary tells the story of the Frank family and presents the first fully-rounded portrait of their brash and free-spirited daughter Anne, perhaps the world's most famous victim of the Holocaust.
Auschwitz: Inside the Nazi State  DVD  940.5318

Auschwitz: inside the Nazi state is the result of three years of research, drawing on the close involvement of world experts, recently discovered documents and nearly 100 interviews with camp survivors and perpetrators, many of whom are speaking on the record for the first time. Their stories are brought to life through the innovative use of archive footage, dramatic recreations of key moments, and their testimony.

Berga: Soldiers of another War  DVD  940.5318

In December 1944, thousands of American prisoners were transported to Stalag 9B. The Nazi guards asked all the Jews to identify themselves. When no one responded they chose soldiers that "looked Jewish" or had "Jewish-sounding" names, and shipped them off to Berga, a satellite camp to the infamous Buchenwald. These Americans suffered the same as all the other Jews in the camp.

Into the Arms of Strangers: Stories of the Kindertransport  DVD  940.5318

The life-affirming tale of 10,000 children saved from Hitler's grasp and placed with foster parents and hostels in Great Britain at the outbreak of World War II. Includes archival footage and decades-later remembrances of both the rescuers and the rescued.

Lodz Ghetto  DVD  940.5318

A chronological account of life in the Łódź Ghetto through over 1,000 carefully sequenced filmed images, made at great risk and left deliberately by the doomed community members.

Secret Lives: Hidden Children and Their Rescuers during WWII  DVD  940.5318

This emotionally stirring documentary tells the stories of Jewish children hidden from the Nazis in extraordinary acts of kindness by non-Jews.

Great Blunders of WWII Volume 1-2  DVD  940.54

Great blunders of WWII will expose the fatal errors, startling miscues, and bungled opportunities which turned the tide of the war and forever changed the course of history.

New World Order, A  DVD  940.54

In the German heartland in 1937, pre-war passions are nourished under Hitler's leadership as he supports Franco's Nationalists in the Spanish Civil War. Also seen are the bravado of Stalin's Russia and the bleak aftermath of the Allied retreat from Russia, along with America's factories churning out vital materials and home movies of Hitler's mistress. Then see America mobilize its formidable industrial and military might to meet enemies on two global fronts. German troops pushing toward Moscow and the inhuman conditions of the Warsaw ghetto are seen.

War Dogs of the Pacific  DVD  940.54

It's 1942, somewhere in the Pacific. Deadly ambushes by entrenched Japanese in the thick jungles take a heavy toll on American troops. Marine commanders were willing to try anything, including using dogs to sniff out the hidden enemy. But even with their superior senses, nobody anticipated just how effective they would be.

Shooting War World War II Combat Cameramen  DVD  940.541
Documentary celebrates the motion picture cameramen who served on the front lines of World War II, with archival footage and twenty-five exclusive interviews with photographers from every branch of the armed forces.

**Battle of the Atlantic, The**  
*DVD  940.5451*

Churchill admitted after World War II, 'The only thing that ever really frightened me during the war was the U-boat peril.' Take a look at the German U-boats - and how they almost were the deciding factor in World War II - in this BBC documentary.

**Battle of the Bulge**  
*DVD  940.5421*

December 1944, Hitler wages one more desperate bloody attack. Hitler struck back with a brutal counterattack and the Battle of the Bulge was the single biggest and bloodiest battle U.S. soldiers have ever fought. Almost 80,000 Americans were killed, injured, or captured in an infernal test of courage and endurance that ultimately ended with a hard-won victory for the Allies. Told through the eyes of the U.S. soldiers and combat officers in the field.

**Blitz London's longest night, The**  
*DVD  940.5421*

The story of the war's most concentrated aerial attack on London in 1941 and how the city nearly perished under the German barrage. Approximately 43,000 people died and over 1 million houses were destroyed during the blitz.

**Bomimg of Germany, The**  
*DVD  940.5421*

During World War II, bent on conquest, the German strategies became completely amoral, challenging and perhaps ending the concept of 'civilized warfare.' Through interviews with veterans, historians and ethicists from all the countries engaged in World War II, this American Experience film recounts the story of the Anglo-American bombing campaign against Germany, exploring the moral conundrums imposed by the reality of the war.

**D-Day, Code Name Overlord Volume 1-3,**  
*DVD  940.5421*

The story of the D-Day invasion of France is retold using archival images and interviews with participants.

**D-Day, the Total Story**  
*DVD  940.5421*

Captures the entire arc of one of the world's great battles, with four complete full-length programs. A comprehensive compilation that fully renders the valor, the tragedy, and the humanity of one of the most monumental events of WWII.

**Bataan Rescue**  
*DVD  940.5425*

Thousands of Allied soldiers faced death on the Bataan peninsula in 1941 and only 500 prisoners in the Cabanatuan prison camp lived to be rescued. With testimony from both captive and liberator their valiant struggle is remembered.

**Iwo Jima Red Blood, Black Sand**  
*DVD  940.5425*

During World War II, Iwo Jima, a tiny island 660 miles from Tokyo, was defended by 21,000 Japanese soldiers determined to fight to the death. The U.S. campaign, which began on February 19, 1945, was expected to last only a few days. Instead it claimed the lives of nearly 7,000 Marines and lasted for over a month.

**Okinawa the Last Battle**  
*DVD  940.5425*

Relive the final engagement of World War II, where over 250,000 people joined in a desperate fight marked by Kamikazes, guerilla tactics and desperation.
**Battle for Midway, The**  
DVD  940.5426

Dr. Robert Ballard leads a team of experts and four World War II veterans to Midway Island where the U.S. and Japan fought one of the fiercest battles of the war. They're in a race against time to find at least one of the downed aircraft carriers including the U.S.S. Yorktown.

**Pearl Harbor**  
DVD  940.5426

In Japanese, tora means "tiger." In December of 1941, "tiger, tiger, tiger" was the code phrase that unleashed one of history's most devastating surprise attacks. But the Japanese raid on Pearl Harbor also awakened the "sleeping giant" of American military might, and in the process, sealed Japan's fate.

**Price for Peace: From Pearl Harbor to Nagasaki**  
DVD  940.5426

Steven Spielberg, historian Stephen E. Ambrose, and director James Moll bring us a film with firsthand accounts chronicling the unforgettable events in the Pacific Theater of World War II. From the bombing of Pearl Harbor through the American occupation of Japan in 1945, this powerful documentary depicts the strength and courage of America's youth, while examining how these brave men and women dealt with being thrust into this tremendously brutal chapter of world history.

**Victory at Sea**  
DVD  940.545

The documentaries are nothing if not wide-ranging, covering parts of the land war despite the title, and including everything from the Atlantic convoys and U-boat "Wolfpacks" to war in Alaska, the South Atlantic, and the Far East, the Pacific War, and the Fall of Japan. There is an attempt to include other nations--certainly the D-Day episode acknowledges the British far more than Saving Private Ryan--but inevitably the focus is on America's war.

**Bridge on the River Kwai**  
DVD  940.5472

Under deplorable conditions, the POWs, along with thousands of Asian laborers, were ordered to complete a railway linking Thailand and Burma, which would include a bridge on the River Kwai. Nicknamed "The Death Railway" due to the extreme malnourishment and disease the bridge claimed before its completion, the bridge gained no small amount of infamy.

**Escape from Auschwitz**  
DVD  940.5472

Escape from Auschwitz tells the incredible story of two young Slovak Jews, Rudolf Vrba and Alfred Wetzler, who managed to escape by hiding in a woodpile for three days, then fleeing across enemy territory, determined to tell the world about the atrocities being committed by the Nazis at the camp.

**Great Escapes of WWII, The**  
940.5472 DVD  2001

From the daring breakouts of POWs to the harrowing ordeals of sailors trapped in sinking ships, The Great Escapes of World War II is an incredible chronicle of hope, ingenuity, courage and survival.

**War, The**  
940.5481 DVD

Tells the story of ordinary people in four quintessentially American towns - Waterbury, Connecticut; Mobile, Alabama; Sacramento, California; and Luverne, Minnesota - and examines the ways in which the Second World War touched the lives of every family on every street in every town in America.
At its core, World War II was a black-and-white struggle between good and evil. But the everyday scenes of carnage, human resistance, and guttural warfare were much more complex. A striking assemblage of color footage and photographs from national archives and private collections, this DVD delivers striking perspectives on the day-to-day experience from every imaginable angle.

**Newsreel History of the Third Reich, A** 940.5488

Compiled as it is from German newsreels which were made under the influence of Goebbels' ministry of propaganda, these are by no means accurate histories but allow unique insight into how the period leading up to and including WW2 was presented to the German people.

**Chronicle of the Third Reich** 943.086

Embark on a unique journey through the bleakest chapter of German history as Michael Kloft traces the story of the Third Reich. Learn about the politics, war years, and crimes of the Nazis from unpublished footage and three famous historians: Sir Ian Kershaw, Brigitte Hamann, and Goetz Aly.

**Hunting Hitler** DVD 943.086

Examines the events of July, 1944, when a party led by highly placed Nazi officers nearly killed their leader in the infamous "Wolf's Lair," where he spend 900 days directing the German war effort. The program also uncovers evidence of a top secret plot hatched in London to kill the Führer.

**Sorrow and the Pity, The - Le Chagrin et la Pitié** DVD 944.0816 In French with English subtitles

Through interviews with participants and newsreel footage, examines the occupation of France by the Germans during World War II as it occurred in the French city of Clermont-Ferrand.