Academy Award® Winners in Spectacular High Definition Blue-ray

HOLLYWOOD, Calif.,/PRNewswire/ -- Paramount Home Entertainment (PHE) announced today that it will release some of the greatest films ever made for the first time in high definition as part of its exclusive new "Sapphire Series".

The Sapphire Series will capitalize on the pristine picture and sound of the Blu-ray format to present each cinematic gem in the highest quality for the first time in two-disc, high definition sets.

The series will kick off on September 1 with two of the most requested Blu-ray releases, Braveheart and Gladiator — both winners of five Academy Awards including Best Picture — followed later in the year by six-time Academy Award winner Forrest Gump.

Each release will include extensive, never-before-seen special features for the ultimate presentation. "It's absolutely fitting that we're presenting the best films in the Paramount library on the finest home entertainment format available," said Rob Moore, Vice Chairman, Paramount Pictures.

"Because of Blu-ray's phenomenal capabilities, the Sapphire Series will deliver the best pictures in the best picture."

Braveheart is one of the most anticipated films on Blu-ray according to Amazon.com and continues to be beloved by fans and critics alike. The film will be presented in 1080p High Definition with English 5.1 Dolby TrueHD, French 5.1 Dolby Digital and Spanish 5.1 Dolby Digital and English, English SDH, French and Spanish subtitles.

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