

PRESS RELEASE - UK: Burlesque classics *Varietease* & *Teaserama* from Nucleus Films this November



On 23 November 2009 Nucleus Films will issue the Irving Klaw burlesque movies *Varietease* (1954) and *Teaserama* (1955) for the first time on UK DVD. These movies feature the *only* colour footage of Bettie Page!

The ultimate stocking fillers this Christmas!



THE HOLY GRAILS OF BURLESQUE CINEMA!

Varietease (1954)

The legendary Queen of the Curve, Bettie Page, America's greatest pinup model, stars in *Varietease*, a unique peek of the wonderful world of burlesque complete with singers, slickers and saucy strippers! Flashing her sexy smile and gyrating in a harem girl costume, Betty Page does her Dance of the Four Veils and easily steals the show. Another legend, the sophisticated and sparkling Lili St. Cyr, shows us just how elegant a striptease can be. Aiding and abetting are jokester Bobby Shields, bikini-clad Chris La Chris, Warblers Cass Franklin & Monica Lane, exuberant contortionist Twinnie Wallen, and fame female impersonator Vickie Lynn. Produced and directed by girly-pix impresario Irving.

Extras include:

- Under the Influence... of Tease! - Part 1: An All-New featurette in which some of the UK's current burlesque acts discuss their influences and passion for the art. Featuring interviews with Polly Rae, Jo King, Roxy Velvet, Esmé Bianco, Bunny Warren and Cherry Shakewell.
- Bettie Page in Teaser Girl in High Heels (arcade loop)
- Bettie Page speaks (clip from *Striporama*, 1953)
- Audio Commentary with Exploitation Cinema Pioneer David F. Friedman, moderated by Something Weird Video's Mike Vraney

Teaserama (1955)

America's legendary pin-up queen, cult icon Bettie Page, stars with superstar stripper Tempest Storm in the biggest burlesque film of them all, *Teaserama*! With her girl-next-door smile and hourglass figure, Betty Page performs two stylized dance numbers that are amalgams of her classic poses. She also scorches the screen when she teams up with that "hurricane of delight," Tempest Storm, in a boudoir bit that explodes into fetish central! Produced and directed by glamour-girl photographer Irving Klaw, *Teaserama* also boasts leggy Chris La Chris, a sultry strip courtesy of Trudy Wayne, female impersonator Vickie Lynn, contortionist Twinnie Wallen, and baggy pants comics Dave Starr and Joe E. Ross (Gunther Toody of TV's "Car 54 Where Are You?"), and striptease Cherry Knight, whose cantilever matches Tempest's bra-busting 44s! Cowabunga!

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