

The 11th Hour: The Sequel to the 7th Guest

Robin Morales has vanished in the Stauf Mansion. She always believed in evil and even trailed it for a living, but now she's lost in a place where a madman once perfected the art of murder. Fortunately for her, we're not sure about you, evil doesn't bother you so you're going in after her. You assume the first person role of Carl Denning, investigative reporter for TV's "Case Unsolved". This title from Virgin Interactive Entertainment contains over an hour of full motion video with faster and smoother graphics and an all new trail of sophisticated, psychological terror. Based on an original screenplay by Matthew Costello, the title features a cast of 18 characters and was filmed on location in Oregon. The video portions play at up to 30 frames per second in a letter-boxed full screen format without the use of an MPEG board. The creators have added a series of treasure hunts, multiple endings and enough interactive gameplay to fill 2 CDs. The game is enhanced by a musical score by The Fat Man which will be included on a third disc. The interactive drama will also contain an on-line help feature.

Creature Shock

Also from Virgin Interactive, this title sends you to investigate the space-drifting remains of the UNS Amazon. The ship was deployed in 2123, its mission was to find a new home for the dying planet Earth. Although the ship appears to be devoid of all life it is, in fact, crawling with the most incredible creatures. Creature Shock combines 3-D animation, first person point-of-view exploration and space shooter action to give you an exciting sci-fi adventure. Pilot your path to the alien starship, battle countless aliens with grotesque powers and destroy the ultimate alien.

Rise of the Robots

Absolute Entertainment announces a Spring 95 release for this techno nightmare title. Electrocorp's massive robotics production plant has seen something go dangerously wrong. The powerful Supervisor Droid has taken control. His mission is to construct an army of robots which he intends to unleash on an unsuspecting mankind. You are an experimental, half human, half machine cyborg and it is up to you to end this nightmare. Along the way you will clash with an amazing array of rendered robotic monstrosities all set in futuristic style. Rise of the Robots intends to redefine the hand-to-hand combat genre!

SCi presents Cyberwar

SCi (Sales Curve Interactive Ltd) is proud to present the next generation in The Lawnmower Man series. Drawing on the hit film, The Lawnmower Man, Cyberwar takes you from the previous game to the next dimension. The player again takes on the role of Dr. Angelo, pitting your physical and mental stamina against the once simple Jobe. However, he now is a psychotic virtual Cyber God who operates from within the cybercomplex of the VSI mainframe computer. You must fight your way through the military defense network to locate and destroy the Omega chip which is at the heart of Cyberjobe's Virtual City. You must navigate your way through a variety of mind-bending levels, which feature flight and weapons simulations, logic puzzles and some very challenging adversaries. Cyberwar also features full color footage from the film. A first quarter 1995 release date is given with a price TBA.

3DO Hardware, Software Products Sweep Awards as Holiday Sales Soar

3DO hardware systems and software swept awards and won accolades from industry experts, retailers and consumers amidst hearty holiday sales. "FIFA International Soccer for the 3DO system is a big hit" said Lauryce Graves, vice president, FAO Schwarz. "We sold half of our inventory in the first two weeks of carrying the product."

Demolition Man from Virgin Interactive was honored for its innovative use of movie footage and computer-generated animation. CNN Future Watch reporter Steve Baxter commented, "Finally, a game that's better than the movie!" Scott Berlin, vice president of sales, Virgin Interactive was quoted "In the first two weeks that Demolition Man was on the shelves, it quickly became one of the top-selling titles for the 3DO system. We've already received major reorders from our largest retailers."

Super Street Fighter II has likewise received good reviews. "Super Street Fighter II Turbo arrived in retail stores the day after Thanksgiving, and within the first two weeks of availability, retailers reported that it had sold out in many locations," said Gene Kelsey, assistant general manager of Panasonic Company's Interactive Media Division

While reports indicate that video game sales on other platforms were flat this holiday season, retailers reported that 3DO sales continued to increase significantly week to week. Bill Shewchuk, senior buyer for G&G Software is quoted, "Customer excitement about 3DO is phenomenal. When new 3DO titles come out, we have customers waiting in the stores to buy them> This happens with all the new 3DO titles." Shewchuk added, " Super Street Fighter II Turbo sold out in all our California stores in one day. Samurai Shodown is also selling well, a third of our inventory sold out in less than two days chainwide."

3DO hardware manufacturers reported similar success. Jim Ireton, vice president of GoldStar had this to say shortly after the launch of their 3DO system, " While we just launched the GoldStar 3DO system five weeks ago, our hardware sales have more than doubled every week. This has exceeded all expectations. Consumers are telling us that they love the high-tech look of our 3DO system and control pad, and our software bundle is seen as an outstanding value."

Panasonic's Kelsey added, " We've experienced very strong retail sales this holiday season and it keeps getting stronger. Our dealers are reporting a lot of activity on both hardware and software, and the REAL 3DO Interactive Multiplayer system is one of the hottest items this Christmas."

Brain Dead 13 to be available May 6, 1995

This title by ReadySoft Incorporated, stars Fritz in a bizarre comedy, horror, action-adventure. Dr. Nero Neurosis' evil is brewing deep in the bowels of the castle of the sinister brain. Lance, is our unsuspecting hero. The world's hippest computer repair guru, Lance gets a late night fix-it call to the mysterious castle. Upon reactivating the computers, Lance learns that this is no ordinary house call. Dr. Neurosis' master plan becomes all too clear, world domination! This is a life and death game in which Fritz the half-human, half-pet of Dr. Neurosis is under instructions to dispose of you. Race through the evil playgrounds of the Doctor's castle. Along the way you must battle

Frankenjock, Draculette and others in order to reach the Chamber of the Brain where the final battle is fought.

Iron Angel of the Apocalypse

This action role-playing movie, subtitled in English, is being released by Synergy Interactive. A mad-genius scientist sits in a tower high above a desolate city with a mission... to create the ultimate killing machine and purge the world. The means to do this will soon be set in motion. All that is needed is one last piece of equipment for Tetsujin and YOU have been chosen. This title not only gives you the tension and thrills of armed duels with a range of enemy Motoids, but it happens within an incredibly real movie environment. Iron Angel brings you into two unique and overlapping worlds. The main arena is a thrilling Shooting Gallery, a full polygon true-to-life multi-level dungeon where your goal is to use your arsenal of weapons to single-handedly hunt out and destroy attacking Motoids as you make your way to the top of the tower to destroy the mad scientist. As you make your way through the maze you become aware of the thickening plot of the Movie World you've entered. You are the star, Tetsujin - Iron angel of the Apocalypse.

The 3DO Company and Domark Enter Multi-Year Publishing, Distribution Agreement

The 3DO Company has announced that it entered into a multi-year Affiliated Label agreement with Domark Software. The pact grants 3DO distribution rights to all Domark titles for the 3DO platform in North America. It would also allow 3DO to license the rights to publish and distribute these titles in other parts of the world. Titles currently in development include Flying Nightmares and Absolute Zero.

"Domark is recognized as the leading developer of flight simulation software, one of the most popular categories of interactive entertainment," said Jim Gregg, 3DO's Vice President of Sales. "Domark titles will appeal to 3DO's target audience, and we expect them to be a significant addition to the already robust 3DO software library."

Flying Nightmares features more than 100 objects, vehicles, enemy aircraft, and mission objectives, rendered in texture-mapped 3D graphics. Domark's development team included an AH-64 Apache attack helicopter pilot and Desert Storm veteran. Created was an accurate reproduction of the Harrier's cockpit and weapon's system. The title is scheduled to be released in the US this spring, followed by Absolute Zero later in the year.

The Daedalus Encounter

Shipping this spring is The Daedalus Encounter called the "ultimate interactive science fiction adventure". Being released by the Panasonic Software Company this title is an interactive cinematic science fiction adventure starring Tia Carrere of *Waynes's World*, *Rising Sun* and *True Lies* as Ari, and actor Christian Bocher as Zack. You are one of the three survivors of a 22nd century intergalactic war. You must fight to save a crippled, alien spaceship from colliding with a binary star. Your brain is encased in a mechanical probe with extra sensory capabilities to help your fellow survivors. Help Ari and Zack battle against aliens, take control of the ship and at the same time avoid destruction. The title employs multiple plot twists and endings triggered by different moves the player

selects. Solving strategic puzzles allows access to additional game environments. Gameplay will vary depending on the player's attitude and whether they choose to be conciliatory and peacemaking or aggressive and hostile, Navigable Quick Time™, over two hours of full motion video, arcade, fighting and maze gameplay, also enhance the gaming experience.

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This title by Any Channel is coming in Spring 1995 to a store near you. In this game you are a member of an elite space marine squad on a mission to a far off world. The squad is investigating reports of unidentified alien creatures in a strange, newly discovered metropolis. Your squad is the best in the galaxy so this should be a mere routine hunt. How wrong you are. Your squad is annihilated in a matter of minutes and the ship is crippled beyond repair. Although you manage to survive, help is three months away. It might also help if you were the squad's sharpshooter or demolitions expert but you are the cook! All you have in the midst of this vast alien city are your wits, a frying pan and an attitude. To survive you must find weapons and artifacts and engage in combat with vicious creatures. Remember they have only one goal... to destroy you!

L3 Begins Shipping Its First Interactive Sports Title on CD-Rom for 3DO & MPEG

Slopestyle™ is a landmark Interactive Learning Cube™ featuring 27 comprehensive lessons effectively teaching beginners and intermediate snowboarders how to master the basics of the sport. This revolutionary Learning Cube™ interface, can transport you to any of the real-time video lessons with a click of a button. Slopestyle contains over 50 minutes of snowboarding video footage, showcasing world class riders including Nick Perata, Tom Burt and Tina Basich at their best. The soundtrack features the music of Jawbreaker, April's Motel Room, Wax, Glue Gun, Wool and Inch. Available for the 3DO system in January it has an SRP of \$44.95

Rayman

Coming in September to the 3DO platform is Rayman from Ubi Soft Entertainment. The world of Rayman is an extraordinary graphic adventure. Explore six unusual levels and come face to face with some very strange creatures. You must help Rayman defeat the creatures, rescue his friends and restore peace to the world.

Star Trek The Next Generation

Spectrum Holobyte has announced a Spring 1995 release date for this long awaited and much anticipated title for the 3DO platform. The title features all the voices of the television cast, "A World for All Seasons" may look like an animated film but it pulls the player into an interstellar adventure filled with action, strategy and challenging surprises as the crew of the Starship Enterprise™ becomes involved in political intrigue on an alien planet. It features 3D virtual actors with the voices of the TV cast, control of any of the seven main characters from the crew, defense of the U.S.S. Enterprise™ from attack, an original interactive episode, and CD quality digital music and sound effects.

Flashback

This title from U.S. Gold is scheduled for a March, 1995 release. The player stars as Conrad B Hart of the Galaxis Bureau of Investigation Agent. You are stranded on a faraway planet after you discover an alien plot to overtake the earth. Features include all new enhanced cinematic sequences that tell the intense sci-fi plot in a movie-like format, 7 challenging levels of action-filled adventures taking place in 6 graphically detailed sectors, characters brought to life with live speech, all new CD quality sound effects and music, and 24 frames per second animation.

FZ-10

The new model for 1995 from Panasonic is the FZ-10. Besides the sleek new cabinet, this unit includes a built-in Memory Management System. The reconfigured Interactive Multiplayer has a smaller footprint than its predecessor as well as a top-loading disc mechanism. The FZ-10's controllers provide smoother operation for greater control. They also have a slightly smaller footprint, while maintaining original button and control pad size. This reduction in size makes the controller more comfortable for small hands. The new Memory Management System will allow users to be able to tell immediately whether there is enough memory space to save a game in progress or other files. An on-screen graph clearly illustrates the unit's remaining memory and lets players easily delete files from an accompanying menu.

The FZ-10 employs a specifically designed, 32-bit RISC CPU with 3Mb memory (RAM) to draw on the storage potential of the compact disc. The FZ-10 was available as of January, 1995 at an SRP of \$399.95.

Panzer General

This title from Strategic Simulations Inc is an innovative approach to strategy gaming. Set in World War II the player assumes the role of a German General starting in Poland in 1939. If successful, the player then brings his tougher, more experienced "Core" group of units to the next chosen front. You are now commanding larger and more powerful formations as victory increases your influence and "Prestige". If successful you then fight your way through Norway, Belgium, France, and onto North Africa and the Eastern Front. If unsuccessful you may find yourself in a desperate defense of Berlin as early as 1939. Features include an intuitive point and click interface, authentic WWII film footage portraying air, land and sea combat interspersed between and during combat scenarios, over 35 progressive scenarios to play, players' command decisions may effect the outcome of the war, from 2 hour scenarios to 60 hour campaign, one or two player and more. Shipping date is expected in April, 1995.

New Controllers, Joystick and More Expand Growing Line of products for 3DO System

The 3DO Control Pad

This controller is ideal for people looking to add another controller to their existing system.. The 3DO Control Pad features a seven-button configuration, an eight-way directional pad, an extended cable, and a comfortable grip. The pad works with any 3DO system and is available at a retail price ranging from \$19.95 to \$24.95.

6-Button Control Pad

The Panasonic Software Company, publisher of Capcom's hit arcade game, Super Street

Fighter II Turbo™ for the 3DO system, is now offering the 6-button Control Pad developed for this title. The pad is available for \$29.95 and can be ordered directly from Panasonic by calling (800) 332-5368.

FLIGHTSTICK PRO

CH Products' FLIGHTSTICK PRO™ is an extended analog joystick that offers a full range of combat features and four-way viewing allowing total command of the player's vehicle. It currently works with titles such as Road & Track® Presents The Need for Speed™, Star Wars® Rebel Assault™, Shock Wave: Operation Jumpgate™, MegaRace™, Super Wing Commander™ and VR Stalker™ and will be compatible with future games. It is available now with prices ranging from \$99.95 to \$129.95.

Mouse

Panasonic has announced its plans to ship a three-button mouse for the 3DO system, providing players with an optional method of interacting with titles that take advantage of a pointing device. Expected to be available in March 1995 the peripheral currently works with World Cup Golf™ Hyatt Dorado Beach, Lemmings™ and Lemmings Chronicles™, Shanghai: Triple Threat™, Crime Patrol™, and Mad Dog McCree II: The Lost Gold™.

Panasonic and GoldStar Digital Video Upgrades

Scheduled to debut early this year is a digital video upgrade which will provide the 3DO system with the capability to play movies, music videos, games, and other titles incorporating MPEG-1 video and audio content. Titles currently taking advantage of this capability include *Silence of the Lambs*, *Dances with Wolves*, *Black Rain*, *Moonstruck*, and *Star Trek II, III, IV, V, and VI*. Music videos from artists such as Peter Gabriel, Pete Townsend, Brian Adams, and Eric Clapton are also available. The Panasonic digital video upgrade, called the Video CD Adapter, is designed to attach to the side of their system at an SRP of \$249.95 with a release date of first quarter 1995. The GoldStar version, called the Digital Video Module, is a small self-contained cartridge that fits inside the GoldStar system and is also expected early in 1995. As part of their introduction, GoldStar is bundling the box office hit *Total Recall* from LIVE Entertainment, Inc.

Wal-Mart to Carry Panasonic REAL 3DO Multiplayer, Software

It has been announced that Wal-Mart will begin carrying the 3DO platform in its 2,300 stores nationwide. This is a direct result of a successful test conducted over the past four months in about 60 Florida stores. Gene Kelsey, assistant general manager, Panasonic Interactive Meida Division says, " This reaffirms the industry's support of the REAL 3DO Interactive Multiplayer. Coming on top of very strong holiday sales, we can't be more pleased heading into the new year." Wal-Mart will begin selling the system in the Spring of 1995.