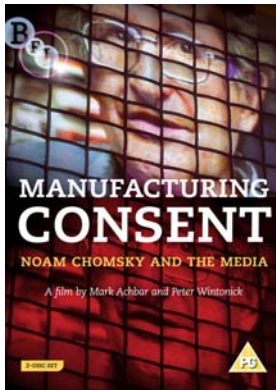


## DVD press release



### **Manufacturing Consent – Noam Chomsky and the Media** A Film by Mark Achbar and Peter Wintonick 2-disc set

**In an energetic fusion of images and ideas, *Manufacturing Consent* explores the political life and ideas of the controversial author, linguistic scholar, radical philosopher and activist, Noam Chomsky.**

Using new and original interviews, archive footage, playful graphics and outrageous illustrations, *Manufacturing Consent* provocatively and entertainingly highlights Chomsky's analysis of the media, focusing on democratic societies where populations are not disciplined by force but are subjected to more subtle forms of ideological control.

Mark Achbar (*The Corporation*, 2003) and Peter Wintonick encourage viewers to question the film's own workings, like Chomsky himself encourages listeners to extricate themselves from this 'web of deceit' by undertaking a course of 'intellectual self-defence.'

As a boy during the Depression, Chomsky worked on his uncle's newsstand in Manhattan. Today he is an outspoken critic of the press and television, and one of America's leading dissidents. Travelling with him through Canada, Japan and Europe and across the USA, the film bears witness to a tireless activist informing, challenging, and being confronted by the public and the press.

#### Special features

- Interview with the directors (2007)
- Interview with Noam Chomsky (2007)
- Chomsky v Buckley debate (1969)
- Chomsky v Silber debate (1986)
- Chomsky v Dershowitz debate (2005)
- Necessary Illusions demo tape (1989)
- Companion book to the film (266 pages – downloadable PDF)
- Illustrated booklet with Sight & Sound review and biographies of the filmmakers
- Fully uncompressed PCM stereo audio

#### **Release date: 26 January 2009**

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Canada / 1992 / colour, and black and white / English, optional subtitles for the hearing impaired on feature film / 167 mins + 215 mins / DVD-9 / original aspect ratio 1.33:1

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