

# VICE & CONSENT

Documentary Feature (73 minutes, color, USA – English)  
Released by V&C Films, Producer/Director Howard Scott Warshaw  
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## Synopsis:

BDSM (Bondage/Discipline, Dominance/Submission, Sado-Masochism) wraps the gift of intimacy in very scary paper. In VICE & CONSENT, long standing and respected BDSM community members reveal a fascinating and unexpected truth under that wrapping. With unrelenting candor, VICE & CONSENT shatters popular myths about BDSM practice and its practitioners.

VICE & CONSENT was shot entirely in DVCAM format with a SONY PD-170 camcorder and edited in Adobe Premiere Pro 1.5.

## The Filmmaker:

Colorado born, Jersey raised, and New Orleans schooled, Howard Scott Warshaw headed west to become a Silicon Valley guy, exploring virtually every aspect of technology over the ensuing two decades. But tech wasn't enough, so he found time to teach a variety of classes and seminars, learn photography and filmmaking, create several million-selling video games, speak publicly and write two books. Warshaw feels filmmaking affords the greatest opportunity to exercise his unique and esoteric skill set. As he puts it: "Combining sound and image in a communicative yet evocative style is the most seductive challenge." Vice & Consent is Warshaw's first feature length documentary.

## Cast:

Luminaries from the San Francisco BDSM scene include: **Midori**, internationally recognized teacher and Japanese rope bondage expert; **Jay Wiseman**, author of many educational titles including the fundamental work "SM 101"; **Cléo Dubois**, founder of the Academy of AM Arts as well as BDSM author and filmmaker; **Sybil Holiday**, noted psychotherapist and co-author of "Consensual Sadomasochism"; **Janet Hardy**, president of Greenery Press and co-author of many titles including "Radical Ecstasy" and "The New Topping Book." A total of twelve authors and leaders of the BDSM community share their views and insights.

## Review:

"Of the many lifestyle documentaries in the market, 'Vice & Consent' is the *one* body of work that I have participated in as an educator that presents BdSm and its intricacies accurately ... 'Vice & Consent' is sure to stimulate conversation, provoke thought and hopefully provide an intimate glimpse into a lifestyle which until now has not been available to mainstream society. " – Evil Mommy Tina, lifestyle educator, 2005