

CANON CANADA ANNOUNCES THE SECOND-GENERATION EOS C100 MARK II DIGITAL VIDEO CAMERA

Features MP4 and AVCHD 1080/60p Recording, Dual Pixel CMOS AF, Face-Detection Autofocus (AF), Redesigned Viewfinder and OLED Panel, Built-In Canon Log Look-Up Table, and Wireless File Transfer

MISSISSAUGA, ON., October 21, 2014 – Canon Canada Inc., a leader in digital imaging solutions, announced today the Canon EOS C100 Mark II Digital Video Camera, the latest edition to the Canon Cinema EOS line of professional Super 35mm 8.3 megapixel CMOS cameras and the second-generation version of the popular Canon EOS C100 Digital Video Camera.

Designed for economical film and video productions such as documentary and remote broadcast crews, wedding and event coverage, indie film productions, as well as film schools and business and government users, the new EOS C100 Mark II Digital Video Camera, features advanced image processing, AVCHD and MP4 1920x1080/60p recording, uncompressed YCbCr output from HDMI, and many other new and enhanced capabilities for improved picture quality, operability, and convenient handling. Delivering a cinematic look with shallow depth of field and high sensitivity in low-light environments, the new EOS C100 Mark II camera weighs just 2.5 lbs. and is compatible with more than 103 Canon EF Series lenses, including STM models which can deliver smooth and silent autofocus during filmmaking.

Design Enhancements

Optimized for one-person operation, the new EOS C100 Mark II camera has a mobile core design enabling users to choose their preferred style of shooting. The existing design has been enhanced to include a large-size detachable eyecup for the camera's large 68-degree tilting 0.45-inch 1.23 megapixel colour EVF (electronic viewfinder). Clearly marked red trigger buttons on the camera body, top handle, grip, and a built-in mono microphone on the camera body ? for times when the top handle is not attached ? can be used to capture basic sound for audio notation or as an aid to audio syncing during post.

Another major redesign of the new EOS C100 Mark II over its predecessor is an innovatively hinged 3.5-inch 1.23 megapixel OLED display panel, delivering 100 percent field-of-view coverage, wide colour range support, and improved viewing even in bright sunshine. The new hinge design ? which folds the panel shut when stowed, protecting the OLED surface ? opens 180 degrees to reveal function keys and a joystick. The panel can open even further to 270 degrees to deploy against the side of the camera to provide monitoring for directors and other production personnel. Additional design improvements on the camera body include 17 assignable recessed function buttons, dual SD card slots with a transparent cover, and a simplified battery insertion and removal release.

Visual Expression

Previously available only as an optional upgrade for earlier Cinema EOS models, Dual Pixel CMOS AF is a standard feature on the new EOS C100 Mark II, providing enhanced autofocusing capability. The Dual Pixel CMOS AF technology helps provide smooth and consistent autofocus, so that focus transitions are natural looking and subjects can remain in focus even as they move off centre. In addition, the

compatibility of Dual Pixel CMOS AF with Canon EF autofocus lenses combines outstanding optical tools with a wide range of creative options. It's ideal for shooting sports, weddings and many more productions where focus pulling by a single operator is not feasible, such as when the video camera is attached to steadicams or drones. The EOS C100 Mark II Digital Video Camera also includes Face-Detection AF^[i], a first in the Cinema EOS camera line, which utilizes contrast detection AF to maintain focus across most of the image plane, an advantage in one-person electronic news gathering (ENG) situations.

Imaging and Recording

Central to many of the new features of the new EOS C100 Mark II Digital Video Camera is its advanced Canon DIGIC DV4 image processor. The Canon DIGIC DV4 image processor separates the RGB output from the camera's 8.3 Megapixel CMOS imager into three individual 8 megapixel signals (as opposed to 2MB in the EOS C100) for noticeably improved image quality. The Canon DIGIC DV4 processor also includes a new debayering algorithm to help minimize moiré and reduce video noise even at high ISO speeds. (high-sensitivity recording on the camera ranges from ISO 320 to 80,000).

Another important benefit of the Canon DIGIC DV4 processor is Full HD recording in both the high-quality professional format AVCHD or the popular web-friendly MP4 format at a variety of bit rates (up to 28 Mbps and 35 Mbps, respectively), resolutions, and frame rates (up to the smooth look of 59.94p) to suit practically any production need.^[ii] For special-effect requirements, slow and fast motion MP4 recording at up to 1920x1080/60p can also be performed.

Users can choose from multiple formats that support MP4 or AVCHD to suit a wide variety of production, post, and output needs. The EOS C100 Mark II camera's dual SD card slots can record in one or both formats simultaneously^[iii] for back-up, or convert AVCHD and MP4 files into smaller MP4 files for web upload.^[iv] Extended clip times can be achieved by recording continuously from one card to the other without a break. In addition, a Data Import Utility application is included that can seamlessly join divided files to help reduce work during editing and to import video file data from an SD card inside the camera or a card reader.

As with the other cameras in Canon's Cinema EOS line, the new EOS C100 Mark II Digital Video Camera includes Canon Log as a recording choice, providing maximum dynamic range for post-production colour grading. New, however, is the addition of a built-in LUT (look-up table), enabling users to view the camera's live video signal in Wide DR (dynamic range) or the Rec.709 (TV standard) colour space on the OLED or any external monitor connected to the camera's locking HDMI[®] output (this feature can be turned off in the menu). Uncompressed video output (with time code data and 2:3 pull-down markers superimposed) can be output via HDMI to an external recorder.

Connectivity Innovations

The addition of wireless file-transfer capabilities further expands the versatility of the new EOS C100 Mark II camera for multiple production applications, including transferring time-critical news video or backing-up files. Utilizing dual 5 GHz and 2.4 GHz frequencies, the camera can transfer video files via FTP server for instant relay, or send MP4 video to the web browsers of laptops or tablets for viewing and storage (even on PC's lacking playback software). Remote control of the camera is also enabled via a compatible smartphone, tablet, or laptop. The new EOS C100 Mark II Digital Video Camera also includes compatibility with the optional multi-functional Canon RC-V100 Remote Controller, which can be used to adjust image quality and other important operations from a distance, a handy feature for shooting from a jib arm, drone, or other inaccessible location.

In addition, the optional Canon GP-E2 EOS GPS Receiver can be connected to the EOS C100 Mark II Digital Video Camera using a USB cable to record location and time information during shooting, a helpful feature for editing and archiving.

Pricing and Availability

The Canon EOS C100 Mark II Digital Video Camera is scheduled to be available at the end of December 2014 for an estimated retail price of \$5,799.99.

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[i] Requires use of Canon STM lenses.

[ii] For complete specifications on bit rates and corresponding frame rates and recording formats please visit: www.usa.canon.com

[iii] This function records the images on the card in the sub slot as well, while images are concurrently being recorded on the card in the main slot. Users have the following selection options for the format with which to record the images on the card in the sub slot.

(a) Slot recording using the same movie format (AVCHD/MP4)

(b) Different MP4 (4 Mbps or 3 Mbps) recording in sub slot from main slot. However, 28 Mbps (AVCHD) and MP4 (4Mbps or 3Mbps) as well as 35Mbps (MP4) and MP4 (4Mbps or 3Mbps) double-slot recording is not possible.

Use of double-slot recording together with slow & fast motion recording or relay recording is not possible, and if such an attempt is made, double slot recording takes priority.

[iv] Footage shot in the 28 Mbps mode for AVCHD and 35 Mbps mode for MP4 cannot be converted.