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this book constitutes the first monograph dedicated to an academic analysis of david bowie s appearances in film through close textual analysis together with production and reception histories bowie s silver screen career is explored in full the book covers performance documentaries such as ziggy stardust and the spiders from mars star vehicles ranging from the eulogised the man who fell to earth to the excoriated just a gigolo plus roles from the horror chic of the hunger and cult fantasy of labyrinth to the valiant high brow baal and vainglorious high budget absolute beginners ending with bowie as bowie in bandslam and others as bowie in velvet goldmine and stardust alongside showing his willingness to experiment and at times fail across a variety of genres this study investigates bowie s performative style that while struggling to accommodate the requirements of cinematic realism fits more harmoniously with alternative production codes and aesthetics more broadly by exploring the commercial socio cultural and ideological significance of bowie on film the book demonstrates how notions of gender sexuality and identity formation plus commodity and cultural function and fluctuate in contemporary society

agency and imagination in the films of david lynch philosophical perspectives offers a sustained philosophical interpretation of the filmmaker s work in light of classic and contemporary discussions of human agency and the complex relations between our capacity to act and our ability to imagine with the help of the pathological characters that so often leave their unforgettable mark on lynch s films this book reveals several important ways in which human beings fail to achieve fuller embodiments of agency or seek substitute satisfactions in spaces of fantasy in keeping with lynch s penchant for unconventional narrative techniques james d reid and candace r craig explore the possibility scope and limits of the very idea of agency itself and what it might be like to renounce concepts of agency altogether in the interpretation and depiction of human life in a series of interlocking readings of eight feature length films and twin peaks the return that combine suggestive philosophical analysis with close attention to cinematic detail reid and craig make a convincing case for the importance of david lynch s work in the philosophical examination of agency the vagaries of the human imagination and the relevance of film for the philosophy of human action scholars of film studies and philosophy will find this book particularly useful

two time academy award winner sir david lean 1908 1991 was one of the most prominent directors of the twentieth century responsible for the classics the bridge on the river kwai 1957 lawrence of arabia 1962 and doctor zhivago 1965 british born lean asserted himself in hollywood as a major filmmaker with his epic storytelling and panoramic visions of history but he started out as a talented film editor and director in great britain as a result he brought an art house mentality to blockbuster films combining elements of biography and film criticism beyond the epic the life and films of david lean uses screenplays and production histories to assess lean s body of work author gene d phillips interviews actors who worked with lean and directors who knew him and their comments reveal new details about the director s life and career phillips also explores lean s lesser studied films such as the passionate friends 1949 hobson s choice 1954 and summertime 1955 the result is an in depth examination of the director in cultural historical and cinematic contexts lean s approach to filmmaking was far different than that of many of his contemporaries he chose his films carefully and as a result directed only sixteen films in a period of more than forty years those films

however have become some of the landmarks of motion picture history lean is best known for his epics but phillips also focuses on lean s successful adaptations of famous works of literature including retellings of plays such as brief encounter 1945 and novels such as great expectations 1946 oliver twist 1948 and a passage to india 1984 from expansive studies of war and strife to some of literature s greatest high comedies and domestic dramas lean imbued all of his films with his unique creative vision few directors can match lean s ability to combine narrative sweep and psychological detail and phillips goes beyond lean s epics to reveal this unifying characteristic in the director s body of work beyond the epic is a vital assessment of a great director s artistic process and his place in the film industry

a well plotted survey total film in 100 american horror films barry keith grant presents entries on 100 films from one of american cinema s longest standing most diverse and most popular genres representing its rich history from the silent era d w griffith s the avenging conscience of 1915 to contemporary productions jordan peele s 2017 get out in his introduction grant provides an overview of the genre s history a context for the films addressed in the individual entries and discusses the specific relations between american culture and horror all of the entries are informed by the question of what makes the specific film being discussed a horror film the importance of its place within the history of the genre and where relevant the film is also contextualized within specifically american culture and history each entry also considers the film s most salient textual features provides important insight into its production and offers both established and original critical insight and interpretation the 100 films selected for inclusion represent the broadest historical range and are drawn from every decade of american film making movies from major and minor studios examples of the different types or subgenres of horror such as psychological thriller monster terror gothic horror home invasion torture porn and parody as well as the different types of horror monsters including werewolves vampires zombies mummies mutants ghosts and serial killers

the ubu film group australia's first experimental filmmakers and distributors a reference for devotees of film theatre those interested in the arts music and graphic design

david fincher s zodiac 2007 written by producer james vanderbilt and adapted from the true crime works of robert graysmith remains one of the most respected films of the early twenty first century as the second film featuring a serial killer and the first based on fact by fincher zodiac remains a standout in a varied but stylistically unified career while connected to this genre the film also hybridizes the policier genre and the investigative reporter film and yet scholarship has largely ignored the film this collection is the first book length work of criticism dedicated to the film section one focuses on early influences while the second section analyzes the film s unique treatment of narrative the book closes with a section focusing on game theory data and hegemony the zodiac s treatment in music and the use of sound in cinema by offering new avenues and continuing a few established ones this book will interest scholars of cinema and true crime along with fans and enthusiasts in these areas

boldly signifying the cultural issues of the 1960s and 1970s in groundbreaking pieces such as grey gardens gimme shelter and showman filmmakers and brothers david and albert maysles used an approach to documentary film that involved spontaneous observation of naturally occurring events with no rehearsed footage and no preconceived plots their revolutionary work eschewed the authoritative voice over narrator didactic scripts and the traditional problem and solution format used by the majority of their predecessors in the genre and duly influenced subsequent directors in both fiction and nonfiction film their collaboration from 1962 until david s death in 1987 wrought thirteen major works in which the brothers critiqued the concept of celebrity with unglamorous footage of iconic figures explored how commercialism hinders communication and questioned the possibility of seeing anything clearly in a world abounding with both real and constructed images jonathan b vogels outlines how the maysles brothers blended a unique amalgam of direct cinema characteristics a modern humanist aesthetic and a collaborative working process that included other directors and editors looking at the films as both shapers and reflections of american culture he points out that the works offer insights into a wide range of contemporary topics including materialism celebrity modern art and the american family in addition to describing the changes in technology that made direct cinema possible vogels provides careful scene by scene analyses that allow for a consideration of the maysles brothers films as films a tactic not frequently employed in nonfiction film studies

internationally renowned david lynch was america s premier purveyor of the surreal an artist whose work in cinema television and the internet exposed the world to his highly personalised view of society this book examines his oeuvre from the cult surrealism of his debut feature eraserhead to his last feature inland empire considering the themes motifs and stories behind his incredible feature films shorts and internet projects his series twin peaks revolutionised tv and expanded the possibilities of what the medium could offer this updated edition includes twin peaks the return his continuation of the series 25 years after the original had set the world alight in lynch s world the mundane and the fantastical collide often with terrifying consequences it is a place where the abnormal is normal where the respectable becomes sinister where innocence is lost and redemption gained at a terrible price and there s always music in the air from the deserts of a distant world to an ordinary backyard at the breakneck speed of lost highway or the sedate determination of the straight story readers will experience amateur sleuths messiahs giants and little people chanteuses psychopaths cherry pie and damn fine coffee david lynch is your guide to this other world and this is your guide to david lynch

this new textbook is an abridgment of the author's earlier woody allen's angst philosophical commentaries on his serious films mcfarland 1997 invaluable choice five main topics are explored the desire of many of his characters to ground their lives in

traditional ethical values despite their realization that such values may no longer be certain the opposition between pessimism and optimism throughout his films gender issues relating to romantic love sexual desire and the ongoing changes in our cultural expectations of both men and women the idea that contemporary american society is rapidly descending into barbarism precisely because of societal failure to maintain a sense of individual moral responsibility and a critique of psychoanalysis as a method for understanding human behavior instructors considering this book for use in a course may request an examination copy here

mimetic theories of narration diegetic theories of narration the viewe s activity principles of narration sin murder and narration and time narration and space modes and norms classical narration the hollywood example art cinema narration historical materialist narration the soviet example parametric narration godard and narration

david landau s film noir production the whodunit of the classic american mystery film is a book meant for those who like a good story one the noir films always delivered concentrating on the characters more than anything else readers will find in these pages many behind the scenes tales of the productions of certain hard boiled film classics and the prime players involved in their creation from darryl zanuck and raymond chandler to john seitz and billy wilder this book features a clear understanding of how movies are actually made and all the creative artists that contribute creating a better appreciation for the many talented artistic collaborators that worked in the hollywood studio system and who together created film noir a behind the scenes look at the making of a classic film noir movie that typifies the chapter's subject allowing the reader to view that film in a new light and think about it from a new prospective appendices of suggested films to screen film noir books for further reading and downloadable files containing discussion points and class assignments for each chapter an informative and conversational writing style making the subject matter easy to digest and fun to read this book is an indispensible companion text for anyone studying or interested in film noir film history the bygone days of the hollywood film factories or how movies are actually made

david niven appeared in films for over 50 years of his life from swashbucklers such as the prisoner of zenda and the guns of navarone to the pink panther series despite his on screen persona niven wasn t always the perfect gentleman he was insecure both privately and professionally and used people to get ahead but he did he said at least try to be a decent man he knew he often failed although it isn t easy to find people who ever had a bad word to say about him in this fascinating biography of the star munn looks at the funny stories and the sad underlying truth from his outrageous days with errol flynn and their irrevocable split you always know where you are with flynn he always lets you down and numerous affairs with stars and prostitutes to an attempted suicide his horrific experiences in war torn france and the breakdown and blame of his second marriage this compelling text includes interviews with his second wife hjordis john huston rex harrison laurence olivier loretta young they discussed marriage once niven s long time friend michael trubshawe peter ustinov ava gardner and many more

david lean s extraordinary films work philosophically through the modern reproductive and transportive technologies of sight and sound through trains planes ships and automobiles from one perspective and through the modern technology of the radio and gramophone from another lean s musical motifs are known worldwide lara s theme in zhivago the colonel bogey march in kwai estella s motif in great expectations rosy s motif in ryan s daughter lawrence s motif for his adventure in arabia and of course rachmaninoff s pounding chords in brief encounter when however lean described his cutting of pictures as akin to how music flows through pictures what sort of music or musicality had he in mind a classical or popular music or a way of using musical form to mix up the meaning and material of his films lydia goehr s new book tracks the soundscape in lean s films not only through the musical scores composed for the films but also and more through the technology of radio and gramophone that at the start of lean s career were becoming indispensable household items for the home the book begins and ends with a motif running from the early more domestic films locally situated in the english home to the later more extensive epics of colony commonwealth and empire the fidelity infidelity relationship defined by marriage extends to the loyalty betrayal relationship regarding countries of war and peace after which this relationship is extended to the witty british manner of making film as a perfected and not so perfected symphonic work of a great cutter s art here as few other books on lean have emphasized the influence of noel coward on lean cannot be overestimated

from the big sleep to babette s feast from lawrence of arabia to drugstore cowboy the movie guide offers the inside word on 3 500 of the best motion pictures ever made james monaco is the president and founder of baseline the world s leading supplier of information to the film and television industries among his previous books are the encyclopedia of film american film now and how to read a film

comprehensive german film history german film from the archives of the deutsche kinemathek offers a captivating journey through the history of german cinema from the earliest moving images of 1895 to the present day this richly illustrated volume opens the deutsche kinemathek s archives illuminating the artistic technical political and social developments that have shaped german film in twelve chapters over 420 essays tell the stories of both celebrated and lesser known films paying tribute to the creativity of the many personalities who continue to shape german cinema featuring more than 2 700 items from unpublished photographs to historic film posters the book provides a unique look into a vital cultural heritage the deutsche kinemathek one of the world s leading

institutions for preserving audiovisual history safeguards this piece of german film legacy for future generations a must have for film enthusiasts history buffs and fans of german cinema from the archives of the deutsche kinemathek a thoughtfully edited and beautifully produced heavyweight the standard reference on german film history the deutsche kinemathek is one of the world s leading institutions for the collection preservation and presentation of audio visual heritage hundreds of thousands of objects are permanently preserved in its archives and are available for research into film and television history in addition to scripts photos posters costumes and designs the collection also includes film equipment the kinemathek curates film series and exhibitions and restores and digitizes films its diverse activities including installations publications educational formats and conferences encourage visitors to discover the world of moving images

the assassination of john f kennedy has produced a wealth of dubious evidence and bizarre disappearances from faked photographs of lee harvey oswald to the missing brain of the president until now abraham zapruder s 27 second home movie capturing the murder of jfk has been considered sacrosanct this book bringing together all the leading authorities in the assassination research community challenges that notion these experts examined the film from every imaginable perspective including the technical processes of video production the laws of physics contradictions by eyewitnesses and medical evidence their conclusion is chilling but thoroughly documented that the zapruder film has been doctored pointing to a meticulously planned high tech falsification of evidence of this momentous still unsolved event published to coincide with the 40th anniversary of kennedy s death contributors include david w mantick the foremost expert on jfk assassination medical evidence and david healy an authority on film processing black and white photographs are included

this two part volume contains a comprehensive collection of original studies by well known scholars focusing on the bible s wide ranging reception in world cinema it is organized into sections examining the rich cinematic afterlives of selected characters from the hebrew bible and new testament considering issues of biblical reception across a wide array of film genres ranging from noir to anime featuring directors from lee chang dong to the coen brothers whose body of work reveals an enduring fascination with biblical texts and motifs and offering topical essays on cinema s treatment of selected biblical themes e g lament apocalyptic particular interpretive lenses e g feminist interpretation queer theory and windows into biblical reception in a variety of world cinemas e g indian israeli and third cinema this handbook is intended for scholars of the bible religion and film as well as for a wider general audience

from his early horror movies including scanners videodrome rabid and the fly with their exploding heads mutating sex organs rampaging parasites and scientists turning into insects to his inventive adaptations of books by william burroughs naked lunch don delillo cosmopolis and bruce wagner maps to the stars canadian director david cronenberg b 1943 has consistently dramatized the struggle between the aspirations of the mind and the messy realities of the flesh i think of human beings as a strange mixture of the physical and the non physical and both of these things have their say at every moment we re alive says cronenberg my films are some kind of strange metaphysical passion play moving deftly between genre and arthouse filmmaking and between original screenplays and literary adaptations cronenberg s work is thematically consistent and marked by a rigorous intelligence a keen sense of humor and a fearless engagement with the nature of human existence he has been exploring the most primal themes since the beginning of his career and continues to probe them with growing maturity and depth cronenberg s work has drawn the interest of some of the most intelligent contemporary film critics and the fifteen interviews in this volume feature remarkably in depth and insightful conversations with such acclaimed writers as amy taubin gary indiana david breskin dennis lim richard porton gavin smith and more the pieces herein reveal cronenberg to be one of the most articulate and deeply philosophical directors now working and they comprise an essential companion to an endlessly provocative and thoughtful body of work

in a career spanning 70 years composer conductor and multi instrumentalist david amram is hailed today as the creator of symphonic works chamber music and two operas as a brilliant jazz and vocal improviser and the composer of memorable stage and film scores he has collaborated with many leading musicians playwrights artists actors and writers including jack kerouac woody guthrie leonard bernstein dizzy gillespie charlie parker arthur miller elia kazan bob dylan judy collins elmira darvarova paul newman willie nelson steve earle and hundreds more an innovator who blended jazz and global folk styles with classical traditions amram s career also emphasizes the creative potential of joyful collaboration this new book offers a fascinating and wide ranging picture of amram s work and influence from the rich pioneering days of 1950s america to today s embrace of international cultures it shows how amram s gift as an on stage spontaneous creator enriches his formal classical composing with multi media links for readers it is possible to see and hear film and audio highlights and adventures described in this book by important conductors musicians performers scholars and journalists this book is the essential guide to a major figure in contemporary music

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