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Movies and Methods Nicolae Sfetcu

The rise of cinema as the predominant American entertainment around the turn of the last century coincided with the migration of hundreds of thousands of African Americans from the South to the urban "land of hope" in the North. This richly illustrated book, discussing many early films and illuminating black urban life in this period, is the first detailed look at the numerous early relationships between African Americans and cinema. It investigates African American migrations onto the screen, into the audience, and behind the camera, showing that African

American urban populations and cinema shaped each other in powerful ways. Focusing on Black film culture in Chicago during the silent era, *Migrating to the Movies* begins with the earliest cinematic representations of African Americans and concludes with the silent films of Oscar Micheaux and other early "race films" made for Black audiences, discussing some of the extraordinary ways in which African Americans staked their claim in cinema's development as an art and a cultural institution.

A Re-Visionary History of 1960s American Experimental Cinema

Macmillan International Higher Education Perhaps the most vital, emotionally complex, and lasting attachments between women occur between sisters. Whether as best friends or antagonists,

"sisters remain entangled in a common tapestry of mutual experience and remembrance, family and history," according to author Eva Rueschmann. Although many of the women-centered films in the last three decades depict the relationship between sisters as a pivotal aspect of a character's psychological development, the now substantial body of feminist film criticism has not taken up this theme in any sustained way. In *Sisters on Screen*, Eva Rueschmann explores the sister bond in a wide range of modernist feature films that depart from the conventional cinematic rendering of women's lives. Drawing on the psychoanalytic concept of intersubjectivity, this book emphasizes the role of a woman's relationship and inner world in her continual quest for self-

knowledge. Offering an original and absorbing perspective on women's filmic images, *Sisters on Screen* reveals how post-1960s cinema has articulated the ways in which biological sisters negotiate mutuality and difference, co-author family histories, and profoundly shape each other's political and personal identities. The films in focus question standards of femininity as they probe into memory, fantasy, and desire, bringing women's realities into view in the process. Structuring her discussion in terms of life-cycle stages—adolescence and adulthood—Rueschmann offers an in-depth discussion of such films as *An Angel at My Table*, *Double Happiness*, *Eve's Bayou*, *Gas Food Lodging*, *Heavenly Creatures*, *Little Women*, *Marianne and Julianne*, *Paura e amore*, *Peppermint Soda*, *The Silence*, *Sweetie*, and *Welcome to the Dollhouse*. Rueschmann draws upon the works of filmmakers from the 1970s to the 1990s. Some of the directors included in her study are Allison Anders, Gillian Armstrong, Ingmar Bergman, Jane Campion, Peter Jackson, Mina Shum, Diane Kurys, Kasi Lemmons, Todd Solondz, and Margarethe von Trotta. *Sisters on*

Screen will appeal to anyone interested in women's studies, film studies, psychology, psychoanalytic readings of cinema, women directors, and international modern film. Author note: Eva Rueschmann is Assistant Professor of Cultural Studies at Hampshire College. *Critical Concepts in Media and Cultural Studies* U of Minnesota Press
This major new collection identifies the critical and theoretical concepts which have been most significant in the study of film and presents a historical and intellectual context for the material examined.

The Lumière Galaxy Routledge
Arguing that our enjoyment of ghost films is linked to masochistic pleasure, *Giving up the Ghost* provides us with a new way of thinking about the relation between film viewing and gender. A deft but readable application of psychoanalytic theories, especially masochism (by way of Deleuze and Studlar), extends the utility of psychoanalysis to the understanding of film genre and film audiences. It is indispensable reading for scholars and students of film theory.
Inspecting Jews Narrative, Apparatus,

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In this rich study of noise in American film-going culture, Meredith C. Ward shows how aurality can reveal important fissures in American motion picture history, enabling certain types of listening cultures to form across time. Connecting this history of noise in the cinema to a greater sonic culture, *Static in the System* shows how cinema sound was networked into a broader constellation of factors that affected social power, gender, sexuality, class, the built environment, and industry, and how these factors in turn came to fruition in cinema's soundscape. Focusing on theories of power as they manifest in noise, the history of noise in electro-acoustics with the coming of film sound, architectural acoustics as they were manipulated in cinema theaters, and the role of the urban environment in affecting mobile listening and the avoidance of noise, Ward analyzes the powerful relationship between aural cultural history and cinema's sound theory, proving that noise can become a powerful historiographic tool for the film historian.
American Jewish Detective Stories
Berghahn Books

Written by a team of veteran scholars and exciting emerging talents, The SAGE Handbook of Film Studies maps the field internationally, drawing out regional differences in the way that systematic intellectual reflection on cinema and film has been translated into an academic discipline. It examines the conversations between Film Studies and its contributory disciplines that not only defined a new field of discourse but also modified existing scholarly traditions. It reflects on the field's dominant paradigms and debates and evaluates their continuing salience. Finally, it looks forward optimistically to the future of the medium of film, the institution of cinema and the discipline of Film Studies at a time when the very existence of film and cinema are being called into question by new technological, industrial and aesthetic developments.

Love Rules SAGE

Béla Balázs was a Hungarian Jewish film theorist, author, screenwriter and film director who was at the forefront of Hungarian literary life before being forced into exile for Communist activity after 1919. His German-language theoretical

essays on film date from the mid-1920s to the mid-1930s, the period of his early exile in Vienna and Berlin."--Pub. desc.

Sisters on Screen Princeton University Press

Explores the work of lesser-known American experimental filmmakers whose films, though well-received and influential, have been excluded from the dominant film canon.

The Close-Up and Scale in the Cinema Univ of California Press

In this book, Laurence Roth argues that the popular genre of Jewish detective stories offers new insights into the construction of ethnic and religious identity. Roth frames his study with the concept of "kosher hybridity" to look at the complex process of mediation between Jewish and American culture in which Jewish writers voice the desire to be both different from and yet the same as other Americans. He argues that the detective story, located at the intersection of narrative and popular culture in modern America, examines the need for order in a disorderly society, and thus offers a window into the negotiation of Jewish identity differing from that of literary fiction. The writers of these

popular cultural texts, which are informed by contradiction and which thrive on intended and unintended ironies, formulate idioms for American Jewish identities that intentionally and unintentionally create social, ethnic, and religious syntheses in American Jewish life. Roth examines stories about American Jewish detectives--including Harry Kemelman's Rabbi Small, Faye Kellerman's Peter Decker and Rina Lazarus, Stuart Kaminsky's Abe Lieberman, and Rochelle Krich's Jessica Drake--not only as a genre of literature but also as a reflection of contemporary acculturation in the American Jewish popular arts.

Film Theory Rutgers University Press

Narrative is one of the ways we organise and understand the world. It is found everywhere: not only in films and books, but also in everyday conversations and in the nonfictional discourses of journalists, historians, educators, psychologists, attorneys and many others. Edward Branigan presents a telling exploration of the basic concepts of narrative theory and its relation to film - and literary - analysis, bringing together theories from linguistics and cognitive science, and applying them

to the screen. Individual analyses of classical narratives form the basis of a complex study of every aspect of filmic fiction exploring, for example, subjectivity in *Lady in the Lake*, multiplicity in *Letter from an Unknown Woman*, post-modernism and documentary in *Sans Soleil*.

Material Cultures of Film and Television
Routledge

The Cinema of Wim Wenders, the first anthology of scholarly work on Wenders, is a unique anthropology of source materials and selected critical essays on the films of Wim Wenders, a major filmmaker in the so-called New German Cinema movement. His work, probably more than that of any other European director, reflects the tension between the European auteur tradition and the increasing dominance of the American media industry. In both his filmmaking and his critical writing, he explores how the relationship between image and narrative manifests the basic opposition between these two film traditions. This book serves as an introduction to the central concerns of his cinema while situating his work within German film history and the contemporary

debates about postmodern film and media theory.

Image, Narrative, and the

Postmodern Condition Springer

Since the 1960s, British multi-media artist Peter Greenaway has shocked and intrigued audiences with his avant-garde approach to filmmaking and other artistic ventures. From early experimental films to provocative features, Greenaway has deployed strategies associated with structuralist cinema, only to challenge or critique the very limits of that cinema and of film in general. In this collection of essays, scholars from a variety of disciplines explore various postmodern and poststructuralist aspects of Greenaway's films, starting with his early shorts and delving into his feature-length works, including *The Draughtman's Contract*, *The Belly of an Architect*, *A Zed and Two Noughts*, *The Cook, the Thief, His Wife and Her Lover*, *The Baby of M'con*, and *The Pillow Book*. Other artistic productions, including his paintings and installations are also discussed. These essays examine the filmmaker's position within British and avant-garde cinema and his interest in constructing and

deconstructing representational systems. In the years since the first edition of this book, Greenaway has enjoyed continued success in creating hybridized media projects for the stage and screen, as evidenced by additional essays for this revised edition. A new chapter addresses how Dutch political events and Dutch art have been crucial in shaping Greenaway's aesthetic, focusing on *The Draughtsman's Contract*, the 1991 opera *Writing to Vermeer*, and *Nightwatching*, the audio-visual installation and 2007 film of the same name, which were inspired by Rembrandt's *Night Watch*. Also new to this collection is an essay that examines Greenaway's most ambitious endeavor to date, *The Tulse Luper Suitcases*, which exists as four feature films, multiple websites, an online game, several books and installations, and a number of theatrical events. Peter Greenaway's *Postmodern/Poststructuralist Cinema, Revised Edition* explores the cultural, historical, and philosophical implications of this hybrid artist whose paintings, drawings, exhibitions, installations, and operatic productions are an intrinsic part of his work in film. This collection of

diverse essays, which includes two texts by Greenaway, two interviews with the director, and a revised filmography, will interest students, teachers, critics and lovers of both postmodern art and cinema. *Static in the System* Rutgers University Press

This volume is comprised of new essays on a wide range of topics by both film scholars and philosophers who share the commitment to conceptual investigation, logic consistency, and clarity of argument and characterizes analytic philosophy. *Governing Visions of the Real* Princeton University Press

Cinematic Appeals follows the effect of technological innovation on the cinema experience, specifically the introduction of widescreen and stereoscopic 3D systems in the 1950s, the rise of digital cinema in the 1990s, and the transition to digital 3D since 2005. Widescreen cinema promised to draw the viewer into the world of the screen, enabling larger-than-life close-ups of already larger-than-life actors. This technology fostered the illusion of physically entering a film, enhancing the semblance of realism. Alternatively, the digital era was less concerned with the

viewer's physical response and more with information flow, awe, and the reevaluation of spatiality and embodiment. This study ultimately shows how cinematic technology and the human experience shape and respond to each other over time.

Narrative, Apparatus, Ideology Univ of California Press

Governing Visions of the Real traces the development, governmentality and techniques of Griersonian documentary in Aotearoa/New Zealand throughout the first half of the twentieth century. Paying close attention to the productions of the National Film Unit in the 1940s and 1950s, as well as ambient discourses and practices of government related to film and state publicity, Lars Weckbecker traces the shifting dispositive of documentary's "visions of the real" that strategically rendered New Zealand and its population visible for an ensemble of political, pedagogic, and propagandistic purposes.

Bion in Film Theory and Analysis Princeton University Press

Projecting the Nation: History and Ideology on the Israeli Screen is a wide-ranging

history of over seven decades of Israeli cinema. The only book in English to offer this type of historical scope was Ella Shohat's *Israeli Cinema: East West and the Politics of Representation* from 1989. Since 1989, however, Israeli cinema and Israeli society have undergone some crucial transformations and, moreover, Shohat's book offered a single framework through which to judge Israeli cinema: a critique of orientalism. *Projecting the Nation* contends that Israeli cinema offers much richer historical and ideological perspectives that expose the complexity of the Israeli project. By analyzing Israeli films which address such issues as the Arab-Israeli conflict, the Ashkenazi-Mizrahi divide, the kibbutz and urban life, the rise of religion in Israeli public life and more, the book explores the way cinema has represented and also shaped our understanding of the history of modern Israel as it evolved from a collectivist society to a society where individualism and adherence to local identities is the dominant ideology.

Migrating to the Movies Walter de Gruyter

Fifty theoretical essays by distinctively

original and influential film critics and filmmakers are grouped in categories having to do with general considerations, structuralism-semiology, political factors, genre, feminism, auteur theory, and mise-en-scene

Derrida and Film Theory Univ of California Press

Narrative, Apparatus, Ideology A Film Theory Reader Columbia University Press

A History/Anthology, 1907-1939.

Volume 1: 1907-1929 Oxford University Press

These two volumes examine a significant but previously neglected moment in French cultural history: the emergence of French film theory and criticism before the essays of André Bazin. Richard Abel has devised an organizational scheme of six nearly symmetrical periods that serve to "bite into" the discursive flow of early

French writing on the cinema. Each of the periods is discussed in a separate and extensive historical introduction, with convincing explications of the various concepts current at the time. In each instance, Abel goes on to provide a complementary anthology of selected texts in translation. Amounting to a portable archive, these anthologies make available a rich selection of nearly one hundred and fifty important texts, most of them never before published in English. *Bigger Than Life* Temple University Press
Hollywood makes the most widely successful pleasure-giving artworks the world has ever known. The industry operates under the assumption that pleasurable aesthetic experiences, among huge populations, translate into box office success. With that goal in mind, Hollywood has systematized the delivery of aesthetic

pleasure, packaging and selling it on a massive scale. In *Hollywood Aesthetic*, Todd Berliner accounts for the chief attraction of Hollywood cinema worldwide: its entertainment value. The book examines films such as *City Lights* and *Goodfellas* that have earned aesthetic appreciation from both fans and critics. But it also studies some curious outliers, cult films, and celebrated Hollywood experiments, such as *The Killing* and *Starship Troopers*. And it demonstrates that even ordinary popular films, from *Tarzan and His Mate* to *Rocky III*, as well as action blockbusters, like *Die Hard* and *The Dark Knight*, offer aesthetic pleasure to mass audiences. *Hollywood Aesthetic* explains how Hollywood engages viewers by satisfying their aesthetic desires. Visit the companion website at www.oup.com/us/hollywoodaesthetic