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Through detailed analysis of films such as *The Towering Inferno*, *Independence Day*, *Titanic* and *The Day After Tomorrow*, this book looks at the ways in which disaster movies can be read in relation to both contextual considerations and the increasing commercial demands of contemporary Hollywood. Featuring new material on cinematic representations of disaster in the wake of 9/11 and how we might regard disaster movies in light of recent natural disasters, the volume explores the continual reworking of this previously undervalued genre. An early practitioner of experimental film, Walter Ruttmann made his well-known 'Berlin: Symphony of a Great City' in 1927 and later worked as an assistant to director Leni Riefenstahl during the production of 'Triumph of the Will.' Tracing Ruttmann's career from the 1920s through the 1940s against the backdrop of a changing Germany, this book details the ideological and aesthetic shifts between the filmmaker's animation, montage works, and later propaganda films. In the process, it draws our attention to previously neglected bodies of film material and calls for a new focus on the institutional and financial contexts in which films are commissioned and distributed. This biography of director Billy Wilder ("Sunset Boulevard, Some Like it Hot") contains movie posters, a bibliography and a complete filmography. "Kathryn Bigelow is one of Hollywood's most significant female film-makers, well known in popular terms for films such as 'Near dark', 'Blue steel' and 'Point break', yet remaining relatively unexplored in academia... Placing particular emphasis on 'Strange days', her most ambitious and controversial picture to date, this collection explores Bigelow's role within New Hollywood as a film-maker that blurs genre conventions, reinscribes gender identities and produces a breathless cinema of attractions." -- Back cover. Sabine Hake traces German film's relationship with other national cinemas and popular culture as a whole, and focuses on key themes including genre, audiences and stars. This fully revised and updated new edition will be required reading for everyone interested in German film and the history of modern Germany. The first volume

in a new series that historically and critically discusses films, directors, and actors in film industries throughout the world. "... excellent..." —Slavic Review "... displays a depth of scholarship and breadth of research which in the main is distilled into a fascinating read. At last Mészáros is getting the attention she deserves." —Sight and Sound "Drawing on personal reminiscences, interviews with Meszaros, and critiques of individual films, Portuges delineates in detailed and convincing fashion the cultural contradictions surrounding Meszaros and her art." —Signs "This book provides engaging insight to works by one of Hungary's best contemporary filmmakers, Márta Mészáros." —Canadian Slavonic Papers A fascinating exploration of the culture of post-Stalinist Eastern Europe through a detailed study of the achievements of its foremost woman director—and revealing interviews with the filmmaker and her collaborators. Márta Mészáros's visual representations of youth, sexual difference, and class conflict challenged official socialist versions of gender, family relations, and workers' lives. Her films include documentaries and features and the recently completed *Diary of My Father and Mother*. Twenty years ago, noted film scholars Tom Gunning and André Gaudreault introduced the phrase "cinema of attractions" to describe the essential qualities of films made in the medium's earliest days, those produced between 1895 and 1906. Now, *The Cinema of Attractions Reloaded* critically examines the term and its subsequent wide-ranging use in film studies. The collection opens with a history of the term, tracing the collaboration between Gaudreault and Gunning, the genesis of the term in their attempts to explain the spectacular effects of motion that lay at the heart of early cinema, and the pair's debts to Sergei Eisenstein and others. This reconstruction is followed by a look at applications of the term to more recent film productions, from the works of the Wachowski brothers to virtual reality and video games. With essays by an impressive collection of international film scholars—and featuring contributions by Gunning and Gaudreault as well—*The Cinema of Attractions Reloaded* will be necessary reading for all scholars of early film and its continuing influence. Todd Haynes has emerged from the trenches of independent American film in the 1990s to become one of the twenty-first century's most audacious filmmakers. In a series of smart, informative essays, this book traces his career from its roots in New Queer Cinema to the Oscar-nominated *Far from Heaven* (2002). Along the way, it covers such landmark films as *Poison* (1991), *Safe* (1995), and *Velvet Goldmine* (1998). Contributors look at these films from a variety of angles, including his debts to the avant-garde and such noted precursors as Rainer Werner Fassbinder; his adventurous uses of melodrama; and his incisive portrayals of contemporary life. In 1999, Elia Kazan (1909-2003) received an honorary Oscar for lifetime achievement; it was a controversial award, for in 1952 he had given testimony to the HUAC Committee, for which he was ostracized by many. That Oscar also acknowledged Kazan's remarkable contribution to American and world cinema, making such films as "On the Waterfront" and "A Streetcar Named Desire". Kazan's life in the cinema is due a reassessment, one that is presented expertly and gracefully by Brian Neve in this book, drawing on previously neglected and some hitherto untapped sources. Focussing in particular on the producer-director's post-"On the Waterfront", New York based independent work, and on his key artistic collaborations, including those with Tennessee Williams, John Steinbeck and Budd Schulberg, Neve gives a fascinating reassessment of Kazan's famed technique with such actors as Marlon Brando and James Dean, and his lifetime concern to provoke and photograph 'authentic' behaviour. He reveals a pattern, through the films, of personally resonant themes, relating for example to ethnicity and the American immigrant myth. He reviews Kazan's style, from the colour and wide screen of "East of Eden" to the creative use of location in his American South films, including "Baby Doll". He debates the reception of Kazan's work and the controversy - which dogged his career - of his 1952 Congressional testimony. These elements and more make this a very readable and memorable, fresh portrayal of the film career of this ever fascinating director. Satyajit Ray is India's greatest filmmaker and his importance in the international world of cinema has long been recognised. Darius Cooper's study of Ray is the first to examine his rich and varied work from a social and historical perspective, and to situate it within Indian aesthetics. Providing analyses of selected films, including those that comprise

The Apu Trilogy, Chess Players, and Jalsaghar, among others, Cooper outlines Western influences on Ray's work, such as the plight of women functioning within a patriarchal society, Ray's political vision of the 'doubly colonised', and his attack and critique of the Bengali/Indian middle class of today. The most comprehensive treatment of Ray's work, *The Cinema of Satyajit Ray* makes accessible the oeuvre of one of the most prolific and creative filmmakers of the twentieth century. *Noir. A shadow looms. The blow, a sharp surprise. Waking and sleeping, the fear is with us and cannot be contained.* Wheeler Winston Dixon's comprehensive work engages readers in an overview of noir and fatalist film from the mid-twentieth century to the present, ending with a discussion of television, the Internet, and dominant commercial cinema. Beginning with the 1940s classics, *Film Noir and the Cinema of Paranoia* moves to the "Red Scare" and other ominous expressions of the 1950s that contradicted an American split-level dream of safety and security. The dark cinema of the 1960s hosted films that reflected the tensions of a society facing a new and, to some, menacing era of social expression. From smaller studio work to the vibrating pulse of today's "click and kill" video games, Dixon boldly addresses the noir artistry that keeps audiences in an ever-consumptive stupor. Raúl Ruiz, while considered one of the world's most significant filmmakers by several film critics, is yet to be the subject of any thorough engagement with his work in English. This volume sets out on this task by mapping, as fully as possible, Ruiz's cinematic trajectory across more than five decades of prolific work, up to his death in 2011; ranging from his earliest work in Chile to high-budget 'European' costume dramas culminating in *Mysteries of Lisbon* (2010). It does so by treating Ruiz's work – with its surrealist, magic realist, popular cultural, and neo-Baroque sources – as a type of 'impossible' cinematic cartography, mapping real, imaginary, and virtual spaces, and crossing between different cultural contexts, aesthetic strategies, and technical media. It argues that across the different phases of Ruiz's work identified, there are key continuities such as the invention of singular cinematic images and the interrogation of their possible and impossible combinations. *A Cinema of Poetry* brings Italian film studies into dialogue with fields outside its usual purview by showing how films can contribute to our understanding of aesthetic questions that stretch back to Homer. Joseph Luzzi considers the relation between film and literature, especially the cinematic adaptation of literary sources and, more generally, the fields of rhetoric, media studies, and modern Italian culture. The book balances theoretical inquiry with close readings of films by the masters of Italian cinema: Roberto Rossellini, Vittorio De Sica, Luchino Visconti, Michelangelo Antonioni, Federico Fellini, Pier Paolo Pasolini, Bernardo Bertolucci, and others. Luzzi's study is the first to show how Italian filmmakers address such crucial aesthetic issues as the nature of the chorus, the relation between symbol and allegory, the literary prehistory of montage, and the place of poetry in cinematic expression—what Pasolini called the "cinema of poetry." While Luzzi establishes how certain qualities of film—its link with technological processes, capacity for mass distribution, synthetic virtues (and vices) as the so-called total art—have reshaped centuries-long debates, *A Cinema of Poetry* also explores what is specific to the Italian art film and, more broadly, Italian cinematic history. In other words, what makes this version of the art film recognizably "Italian"? "A thought-provoking and well-written investigation of the role of history and realism in Italian cinema and the role played by the centuries-long tradition of poetry (or more precisely, poesis) in this quest."—*H-Italy* "Ambitious, inventive, learned . . . *A Cinema of Poetry* . . . brilliantly analyzes the art in the art film by showing how Italian cinema uses a chorus or expresses itself through allegory . . . This impressively intelligent re-description of the tradition surely takes its place alongside other necessary histories of Italian cinema."—*Choice* Joseph Luzzi is a professor of comparative literature at Bard College. He is the author of *Romantic Europe and the Ghost of Italy*, which received the MLA's Scaglione Prize for Italian Studies; *My Two Italies*, a *New York Times* Book Review Editors' Choice; and *In a Dark Wood: What Dante Taught Me about Grief, Healing, and the Mysteries of Love*. The essays in this groundbreaking collection examine how celebrated Cambodian director Rithy Panh counters the abstraction of mass violence with a cinema anchored in the body, the physical trace, the direct testimony, and the living landscape. They explore his

unique aesthetic sensibility, examining the dynamic and sensuous images through which he suggests that "everything has a soul." "... a fresh, compelling, essential work of film theory. Recommended for all libraries." —Choice "[Jean Mitry] is the Aristotle of film." —R.D. MacCann "This text marks a watershed in film theory. Mitry sums up the first fifty years of theoretical writings on the cinema..." —Richard Abel "The rediscovery of Mitry could change the parameters of film teaching, breaking down the boundaries between the real and the formal, forcing us to see how they are inexorably fused together." —Leo Charney "Christian Metz wrote that with this work, 'an entire era of film literature ends.' Perhaps because it was so imposing, people like Metz turned in different directions—semiotics, structuralism, Marxism, psychoanalysis, and so on." —Charles Maland

The Aesthetics and Psychology of the Cinema supplies the missing link between the classical film theorists like Balazs and Munsztberg and the film semioticians like Metz. Mitry is the apotheosis and grand summation of the psychological and formalist views of film.

La 4e de couv. indique : "The industry's only director-cinematographer-screenwriter-producer-actor-editor, Steven Soderbergh is contemporary Hollywood's most innovative and prolific filmmaker. A Palme d'or and Academy Award-winner, he has directed nearly thirty films, including political provocations, digital experiments, esoteric documentaries, and global blockbusters, as well as atypical genre films. This volume considers its slippery subject from a variety of perspectives, analysing Soderbergh as an expressive auteur of art cinema as well as genre fare, a politically-motivated guerrilla filmmaker and Hollywood insider. Preoccupied with the detective's role to investigate truth, as well as the criminal's alternative value system, his films tackle social justice in a corporate world, Soderbergh's career demonstrates the richness of contemporary American cinema ; this volume gives his complex oeuvre the in-depth critical analysis it deserves." A new approach to a director whose contribution to cinema is often overshadowed his personal life, Polanski and Perception focuses on Roman Polanski's interest in the nature of perception and how this is manifested in his films. The incorporation of cognitive research into film theory is becoming increasingly widespread, with novel cinematic technologies and recent developments in digital projection making a strong grasp of perceptual psychology critical to fostering cognitive engagement. Informed by the work of neuropsychologist R. L. Gregory, this volume focuses primarily on two sets of films: the Apartment trilogy of Repulsion, Rosemary's Baby and The Tenant; and the Investigation trilogy of Chinatown, Frantic and The Ninth Gate. Also included are case studies of Knife in the Water, Death and the Maiden and The Ghost. Polanski and Perception presents a highly original and engaging new look at the work of this influential filmmaker. This anthology offers an account of German cinema in the fifties, focusing on popular genres, famous stars and dominant practices, taking into account the complicated relationships between East and West Germany, and by paying attention to the economic and political conditions of film production and reception during this period. The cinema has been the pre-eminent popular art form of the 20th century. In Cinemas of the World, James Chapman examines the relationship between film and society in the modern world: film as entertainment medium, film as a reflection of national cultures and preoccupations, film as an instrument of propaganda. He also explores two interrelated issues that have recurred throughout the history of cinema: the economic and cultural hegemony of Hollywood on the one hand, and, on the other, the attempts of film-makers elsewhere to establish indigenous national cinemas drawing on their own cultures and societies. Chapman examines the rise to dominance of Hollywood cinema in the silent and early sound periods. He discusses the characteristic themes of American movies from the Depression to the end of the Cold War especially those found in the western and film noir – genres that are often used as vehicles for exploring issues central to us society and politics. He looks at national cinemas in various European countries in the period between the end of the First World War and the end of the Second, which all exhibit the formal and aesthetic properties of modernism. The emergence of the so-called "new cinemas" of Europe and the wider world since 1960 are also explored. "Chapman is a tough-thinking, original writer . . . an engaging, excellent piece of work."—David Lancaster, Film and History A reference guide to the Swedish and Finnish directors, screenwriters,

actors, actresses and films from the silent film era through the nineties. *The Cinema of Michael Winterbottom*, by Deborah Allison, examines eight films by the contemporary British director Michael Winterbottom. This study explores the ways his inflection of established genre traditions partake in a personal, idiosyncratic style of film-making. Across a career encompassing both mainstream and art house cinema, the potency and integrity of his authorship unites films as generically diverse as the road film *Butterfly Kiss*, western drama *The Claim*, science fiction movie *Code 46*, and docudrama *The Road to Guantanamo*. The "New Wave" style of American film of the 1960s and 70s--characterized by exciting, narrative innovation and sometimes adventurous reworkings of older film genres, as well as images of solitude and explosive violence--has come to an end. Erasing virtually all traces of 60s and 70s experimentation, American film in the 1980s has returned with a vengeance to a more linear, conventional style. In this newly revised edition of *The Cinema of Loneliness*, Robert Phillip Kolker continues and expands his inquiry into the phenomenon of cinematic representations of culture by updating the chapters on the directors discussed in the first edition--Arthur Penn, Stanley Kubrick, Martin Scorsese, and Robert Altman--to include their latest work, and by substituting for the chapter on Francis Ford Coppola a chapter on the cultural, political, and ideological formations of eighties films and the work of Steven Spielberg. He incorporates new discussions to include the more recent films, such as Arthur Penn's *Four Friends* (1983) and *Target* (1985); Stanley Kubrick's direction of *The Shining* (1980) and *Full Metal Jacket* (1987); Martin Scorsese's *Raging Bull* (1980), *The King of Comedy* (1983), *After Hours* (1985), and *The Color of Money* (1986); and Robert Altman's *A Perfect Couple* (1979), *Popeye* (1980), *Streamers* (1983), *A Fool for Love* (1985), and *Beyond Therapy* (1987). Placing the films of Penn, Kubrick, Scorsese, Spielberg, and Altman in an ideological perspective, Kolker both illuminates their relationship to one another and to larger currents in our culture, and emphasizes the statements their films make about American society. This collection of essays offers a view of Nazi Germany through an analysis of twenty films. These represent a sampling of the period's directors and reflect the film medium's major genres. For in spite of the control that Goebbels's film industry exercised over all aspects of filmmaking in the Third Reich, the films reveal an individuality that belies subsuming them under any one rubric or containing them within any one theory. Films such as *I>Hitlerjunge Quex*, *Die groe Liebe*, and *Auf Wiedersehen Franziska* represent the Nazi film industry's efforts to propagandize through entertainment. Others such as *Immensee*, *Kleider machen Leute*, and *Der Schimmelreiter* reveal an attempt to expropriate Germany's rich literary past for the regime. These literary adaptations and films like *Glückskinder*, *La Habanera*, and *Der Kaiser von Kalifornien* today seem void of Nazi ideology if viewed outside the context of Nazism. Yet another film, *Der ewige Jude*, shocks us with its virulent anti-Semitism and hateful propaganda almost sixty years after its release. All of the films treated, regardless of their fame or notoriety or the level of commitment of their directors to the Nazi cause, played an important role in a cinema that not only represents the dreams and lives of the citizens of the Third Reich, but influenced them as well.

Robert C. Reimer is professor of German at the University of North Carolina, Charlotte. The Japanese film director Akira Kurosawa, who died at the age of 88, has been internationally acclaimed as a giant of world cinema. *Rashomon*, which won both the Venice Film Festival's grand prize and an Academy Award for best foreign-language film, helped ignite Western interest in the Japanese cinema. *Seven Samurai* and *Yojimbo* remain enormously popular both in Japan and abroad. In this newly revised and expanded edition of his study of Kurosawa's films, Stephen Prince provides two new chapters that examine Kurosawa's remaining films, placing him in the context of cinema history. Prince also discusses how Kurosawa furnished a template for some well-known Hollywood directors, including Martin Scorsese, Steven Spielberg, and George Lucas. Providing a new and comprehensive look at this master filmmaker, *The Warrior's Camera* probes the complex visual structure of Kurosawa's work. The book shows how Kurosawa attempted to symbolize on film a course of national development for post-war Japan, and it traces the ways that he tied his social visions to a dynamic system of visual and narrative forms. The author analyzes Kurosawa's entire career and places the

films in context by drawing on the director's autobiography--a fascinating work that presents Kurosawa as a Kurosawa character and the story of his life as the kind of spiritual odyssey witnessed so often in his films. After examining the development of Kurosawa's visual style in his early work, *The Warrior's Camera* explains how he used this style in subsequent films to forge a politically committed model of filmmaking. It then demonstrates how the collapse of Kurosawa's efforts to participate as a filmmaker in the tasks of social reconstruction led to the very different cinematic style evident in his most recent films, works of pessimism that view the world as resistant to change. Filmmakers have often encouraged us to regard people with physical disabilities in terms of pity, awe, humor, or fear as "Others" who somehow deserve to be isolated from the rest of society. In this first history of the portrayal of physical disability in the movies, Martin Norden examines hundreds of Hollywood movies (and notable international ones), finds their place within mainstream society, and uncovers the movie industry's practices for maintaining the status quo keeping people with disabilities dependent and "in their place." Norden offers a dazzling array of physically disabled characters who embody or break out of the stereotypes that have both influenced and been symptomatic of society's fluctuating relationship with its physically disabled minority. He shows us "sweet innocents" like Tiny Tim, "obsessive avengers" like Quasimodo, variations on the disabled veteran, and many others. He observes the arrival of a new set of stereotypes tied to the growth of science and technology in the 1970s and 1980s, and underscores movies like *My Left Foot* and *The Waterdance* that display a newfound sensitivity. Norden's in-depth knowledge of disability history makes for a particularly intelligent and sensitive approach to this long-overlooked issue in media studies.

The Cinema of Wim Wenders: The Celluloid Highway is a new study of the films of this most prominent of German directors, and penetrates the seductive sounds and images for which he is best known. The book analyses the individual films in the context of a preoccupation central to all of Wenders' work and writings: why modern cinema - a recording art, solely composed of sounds and images - naturally developed into a primarily narrative medium, a domain traditionally associated with words and sentences? With its emphasis on analysing the films themselves, this book identifies and critically elucidates Wenders' chief artistic motivation: that the act of seeing can constitute a creative act in its own right. One of the last representatives of a brand of serious, high-art cinema, Alexander Sokurov has produced a massive oeuvre exploring issues such as history, power, memory, kinship, death, the human soul, and the responsibility of the artist. Through contextualization and close readings of each of his feature fiction films (broaching many of his documentaries in the process), this volume unearths a vision of Sokurov's films as equally mournful and passionate, intellectual, and sensual, and also identifies in them a powerful, if discursively repressed, queer sensitivity, alongside a pattern of tensions and paradoxes. This book thus offers new keys to understand the lasting and ever-renewed appeal of the Russian director's Janus-like and surprisingly dynamic cinema - a deeply original and complex body of work in dialogue with the past, the present and the future. This volume focuses on the vibrant practices that make up Latin American cinema, a historically important regional cinema and one that is increasingly returning to popular and academic appreciation. Ken Jacobs has been making cinema for more than fifty years. Along with over thirty film and video works, he has created an array of shadow plays, sound pieces, installations, and magic lantern and film performances that have transformed how we look at and think about moving images. He is part of the permanent collections at MoMA and the Whitney, and his work has been celebrated in Europe and the U.S. While his importance is well-recognized, this is the first volume dedicated entirely to him. It includes essays by prominent film scholars along with photographs and personal pieces from artists and critics, all of which testify to the extraordinary variety and influence of his accomplishments. Anyone interested in cinema or experimental arts will be well-rewarded by a greater acquaintance with the genius, the innovation, and the optical antics of Ken Jacobs.

Examines the work of Michael Mann, Hollywood director through a critical study of his film style and its relationship to genre, film criticism, auteurism, and historical context. This book covers Mann's filmography, from his beginning in television to his film adaptation of the television series

"Miami Vice". This work closely examines 24 landmark films. The first systematic examination in English of Cronenberg's feature films, from *Stereo* (1969) to *Crash* (1996). From the urban violence and psychosis of *MEAN STREETS*, *TAXI DRIVER*, and *GOODFELLAS* to the romanticism of *THE AGE OF INNOCENCE*, and from the drama of *RAGING BULL* to the supremely provocative *LAST TEMPTATION OF CHRIST*, this book provides a "lively, informative look at the 'consummate cineast,' whom Steven Spielberg calls America's best and most honest director" (*LIBRARY JOURNAL*). Mike Nichols burst onto the American cultural scene in the late 1950s as one half of the comic cabaret team of Nichols and May. He became a Broadway directing sensation, then moved on to Hollywood, where his first two films--*Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* (1966) and *The Graduate* (1967)--earned a total of 20 Academy Award nominations. Nichols won the 1968 Oscar for Best Director and later joined the rarefied EGOT (Emmy, Grammy, Oscar, Tony) club. He made many other American cinematic classics, including *Catch-22* (1970), *Carnal Knowledge* (1971), *Silkwood* (1983), *Working Girl* (1988), *Postcards from the Edge* (1990), and his late masterpieces for HBO, *Wit* (2001) and *Angels in America* (2003). Filmmakers like Steven Spielberg and Steven Soderbergh regard him with reverence. This first full-career retrospective study of this protean force in the American arts begins with the roots of his filmmaking in satirical comedy and Broadway theatre and devotes separate chapters to each of his 20 feature films. Nichols' permanent achievements are his critique of the ways in which culture constructs conformity and his tempered optimism about individuals' liberation by transformative awakening. Films often act as a prism that refracts the issues facing a nation, and Turkish cinema in particular serves to encapsulate the cultural and social turmoil of modern-day Turkey. Acclaimed film scholar Gönül Dönmez-Colin examines here the way that national cinema reveals the Turkish quest for a modern identity. Marked by continually shifting ethnic demographics, politics, and geographic borders, Turkish society struggles to reconcile modern attitudes with traditional morals and centuries-old customs. Dönmez-Colin examines how contemporary Turkish filmmakers address this struggle in their cinematic works, positing that their films revolve around ideas of migration and exile, and give voice to previously subsumed "denied identities" such as that of the Kurds. Turkish Cinema also crucially examines how these films confront taboo subjects such as homosexuality, incest, and honor killings, issues that have only become viable subjects of discussion in the new generation of Turkish citizens. A deftly written and thought-provoking study, Turkish Cinema will be invaluable for scholars of Middle East studies and cinephiles alike. Quebecois cinema, too long neglected and too long unknown by American viewers, and often not appreciated on its own terrain, receives its well-deserved defense in Janis L. Pallister's *The Cinema of Quebec: Masters in Their Own House*. According to Pallister, the neglect of quebecois cinema comes through ignorance, sometimes to be attributed to the whims of distributors. She intends that this study will redeem quebecois cinema and restore its status as an overlooked cinematic jewel, to be valued for its own beauty. Major films, including *Mon oncle Antoine*, *Les bons debarras*, *Le Declin de l'empire americain*, *Jesus de Montreal*, *Pouvoir intime*, *Un Zoo la nuit*, *Les fous de Bassan*, J.A. Martin, *photographe*, as well as many other lesser-known works, are dealt with exhaustively. In addition, the gynefilms of Lea Pool and such women directors' films as *Mourir a tue-tete* and *Sonatine*, are amply discussed. Additionally, films about quebecois history and politics, films taken from the literature of Quebec, films about the quebecois society, documentary films, animated films - all aspects and genres of the cinematic arts as practiced in Quebec have a place in the author's work. Pallister treats the film production of Quebec from a historico-aesthetic perspective, but also pays attention to the historical, social, and political context in which this cinematic corpus was made. Although the book is largely concerned with films by French-speaking filmmakers, there is also a brief chapter on films in other languages, especially English. *The Cinema of Small Nations* is the first major analysis of small national cinemas, comprising 12 case studies of small national—and sub national—cinemas from around the world, including Ireland, Denmark, Iceland, Scotland, Bulgaria, Tunisia, Burkina Faso, Cuba, Singapore, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and New Zealand. Written by an array of distinguished and emerging scholars,

the case studies provide detailed analyses of the particular cinema in question, with an emphasis on the last decade, considering both institutional and textual issues relevant to the national dimension of each cinema. While each chapter offers an in-depth analysis of an individual cinema, the book as a whole provides the basis for a broader and more properly comparative understanding of small or minor national cinemas and their increasing significance within the international domain of moving image production, distribution, and consumption.

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