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gold standard in the field of film criticism television is the most powerful system of images in the late 20th and early 21st centuries nonetheless tv has attained only little philosophical attention so far especially compared to other visual media such as film this book looks at tv as what happens on the screen and beyond it which is mainly the operation of switching images it therefore proposes a new definition of tv as the first picture that can be switched on off and over which stresses that tv is more tactile than visual through the operation of switching tv figures the world from within and as the course of its figuration this is grasped here by the term of ontography through the ongoing interlacing and bridging of tv 1 0 the image is being switched and tv 2 0 the image is a switch tv exponentially increases the production and circulation of images it transforms the world and itself from an analogue state to a digital one and from central perspectivism to pluri perspective in terms of time through switching and the switch it develops and reworks new temporal orderings such as instantaneity synchronicity flow and seriality tv makes its own history in space it creates a mediasphere as its habitat and hence new forms of being in the world of proximity and distance and scale anthropologically it works on what a subject and an object is on what makes the human being and ontographically how it is possible that there is something at all instead of nothing through switch images this monograph explores the under researched use of music in jean luc godard s films and video essays from the early 1960s to the late 1990s while godard is largely hailed as a leading innovator of visual montage unique storytelling style and ground breaking cinematography his achievements as a leading pioneer in sculpting complex soundtracks altering the familiar relationship between sound and image have been mainly overlooked on these soundtracks music assumes the unique role of metafilm music metafilm music self consciously refers to its own role as film music and disrupts the primary function of film music as an essential filmic device creating cinematic illusion the concept of metafilm music describes how godard thinks with film music about film music metafilm music manifests itself in godard s work in four distinct manners as fragmented musical cues as the same fragment verbatim repeated several times as extrapolated short excerpts from classical or popular music and as music mixed unusually loudly into the soundtrack with a detailed analysis of these parameters the book explores fragmented and repeated music as godard s critique of the leitmotif technique godard further self reflexively investigates genre specific music in musical comedies films noir and melodramas as well as prototypical film music as arguably its own musical genre his last foray into metafilm music entails music making as a metaphor for filmmaking by thinking with music about the function of film music godard has created throughout his career multi layered soundtracks which challenge the conventional norms of film music and sound just before world war ii french cinema reached a high point that has been dubbed the style of poetic realism working with unforgettable actors like jean gabin and arletty directors such as renoir carné gremillon duvivier and chenal routinely captured the prizes for best film at every festival and in every country and their accomplishments led to general agreement that the french were the first to give maturity to the sound cinema here the distinguished film scholar dudley andrew examines the motivations and consequences of these remarkable films by looking at the cultural web in which they were made beyond giving a rich view of the life and worth of cinema in france andrew contributes substantially to our knowledge of how films are dealt with in history where earlier studies have treated the masterpieces of this era either in themselves or as part of the vision of

their creators and where certain recent scholars have reacted to this by dissolving the masterpieces back into the system of entertainment that made them possible andrew stresses the dialogue of culture and cinema in his view the films open questions that take us into the culture while our understanding of the culture gives energy direction and consequence to our reading of the films the book demonstrates the value of this hermeneutic approach for one set of texts and one period but it should very much interest film theorists and film historians of all sorts shakespeare s plays provide wonderfully challenging material for the film maker while acknowledging that dramatic experiences for theatre and cinema audiences are significantly different this book reveals some of the special qualities of cinema s dramatic language in the film adaptations of shakespeare s plays by four directors laurence olivier orson welles peter brook and akira kurosawa each of whom has a distinctly different approach to a film representation davies begins his study with a comparison of theatrical and cinematic space showing that the dramatic resources of cinema are essentially spatial the central chapters focus on laurence olivier s henry v hamlet and richard iii orson welles macbeth othello and chimes at midnight peter brook s king lear and akira kurosawa s throne of blood davies discusses the dramatic problems posed by the source plays for these films for the film maker and he examines how these films influenced later theatrical stagings he concludes with an examination of the demands that distinguish the work of the shakespearean stage actor from that of his counterpart in film examines the gaze in lacanian film theory casting fresh light on one of the most important movements in film history intermedial dialogues the french new wave and the other arts is the first comprehensive study of the new wave s relationship with the older arts traversing the fields of literature theatre painting architecture and photography and drawing on andre bazin alongside recent theories of intermediality it investigates the impure intermedial aesthetics of new wave cinema filmmakers under discussion include critics turned directors francois truffaut eric rohmer jean luc godard jacques rivette and claude chabrol members of the left bank group alain resnais agnes varda and chris marker but also lesser known directors notably the secret child of the new wave guy gilles this wide ranging book offers an original reading of the complex often ambivalent ways in which the new wave engages the other arts in both its discursive construction and filmic practice key features a wide ranging study which explores the complex often ambiguous ways in which the new wave engages with the other arts in both its discursive construction and cinematic practiceaffords a new prism for understanding new wave filmmaking and its legacy through comprehensive analysis of the ways in which the new wave aesthetic was shaped through intermedial dialogue and medium rivalry reassesses one of the most acclaimed movements in film history drawing on cutting edge theory in the prominent field of intermediality studiesoffers an inclusive heterogeneous view of the new wave through inclusion of lesser known directors such as guy gilles jean daniel pollet and jacques demy alongside renowned nouvelle vague filmmakers going beyond the process of adaptation geraghty is more interested in the films themselves and how they draw on our sense of recall while a film reflects its literary source it also invites comparisons to our memories and associations with other versions of the original for example a viewer may watch the 2005 big screen production of pride and prejudice and remember austen s novel as well as the bbc s 1995 television movie adaptations also rely on the conventions of genre editing acting and sound to engage our recall elements that many movie critics tend to forget when focusing solely on faithfulness to

the written word the preoccupation with depth and its relevance to cinema and media studies for decades the concept of depth has been central to critical thinking in numerous humanities based disciplines legitimizing certain modes of inquiry over others deep mediations examines why and how this is as scholars today navigate the legacy of depth models of thought and vision particularly in light of the surface turn and as these models impinge on the realms of cinema and media studies the collection s eighteen essays seek to understand the decisive but evolving fixation on depth by considering the term s use across a range of conversations as well as its status in relation to critical methodologies and the current mediascape engaging contemporary debates about new computing technologies the environment history identity affect audio visual culture and the limits and politics of human perception deep mediations is a timely interrogation of depth s ongoing importance within the humanities contributors laurel ahnert taylor arnold u of richmond erika balsom king s college london brooke belisle stony brook university jinhee choi king s college london jennifer fay vanderbilt u lisa han uc santa barbara jean ma stanford u shaka mcglotten purchase college suny susanna paasonen u of turku finland jussi parikka u of southampton alessandra raengo georgia state u pooja rangan amherst college katherine rochester via art fund in boston karl schoonover university of warwick uk jordan schonig michigan state u john paul stadler north carolina state u nicole starosielski new york u lauren tilton u of richmond exploring the modern category of history in relation to film theory film textuality and film history change mummified makes a persuasive argument for the centrality of historicity to film as well as the special importance of film in historical culture what do we make of the concern for recovering the past that is consistently manifested in so many influential modes of cinema from hollywood to documentary and postcolonial film how is film related to the many modern practices that define themselves as configuring pastness in the present such as architectural preservation theme parks and above all professional historical research what is the relation of history in film to other media such as television and digital imaging how does emphasizing the connection between film and modern historicity affect the theorization and historicization of film and modern media culture pursuing the full implications of film as cultural production philip rosen reconceptualizes modern historicity as a combination of characteristic epistemological structures on the one hand and the social imperative to regulate or manage time on the other emphasizing a fundamental constellation of pursuit of the real indexical signification and the need to control time he interrogates a spectrum of film theory and film texts his argument refocuses the category of temporality for film and cultural theory while rethinking the importance of historicity an original and sustained meditation on the historiographic status of cinematic signs change mummified is both an intervention in film and media studies and an argument for the continuing necessity of modern historical thinking in its contradictions awarded the tudor vianu prize for literary and cultural theory by the national museum of romanian literature over the past 30 years the fields of world literature and world cinema have developed on parallel but largely separate tracks with little recognition of their underlying similarities and the ways that each can learn from the other time regained does not move from literature to cinema but exists simultaneously in both fields the 7 filmmakers selected here andrei tarkovsky akira kurosawa martin scorsese raúl ruíz wong kar wai stephen daldry and paolo sorrentino are

themselves also writers or people with literary training and they produce a new type of world cinema thanks to their understanding of the world simultaneously through literature and film in the process their films produce new readings of literary texts that world literature studies wouldn't have been able to achieve with its own instruments time regained examines how filmmakers build on literature to reconfigure the world as a landscape of dreams and how they use film to reinvent the narrative techniques of the authors on whom they draw the selected filmmakers draw inspiration from french surrealists modernists marcel proust virginia woolf and marguerite yourcenar and predecessors such as dante and cao xueqin in the process these filmmakers cross the borders between film and literature nation and world dream and reality

1918 1958 architecture for a free subjectivity reformulates the french philosopher gilles deleuze's model of subjectivity for architecture by surveying the prolific effects of architectural encounter and the spaces that figure in them for deleuze and his lacanian collaborator félix guattari subjectivity does not refer to a person but to the potential for and event of matter becoming subject and the myriad ways for this to take place by extension this book theorizes architecture as a self-actuating or creative agency for the liberation of purely impersonal effects imagine a chemical reaction a riot in the banlieues indeed a walk through a city simone brott declares that the architectural object does not merely take part in the production of subjectivity but that it constitutes its own this book is to date the only attempt to develop deleuze's philosophy of subjectivity in singularly architectural terms through a screening of modern and postmodern american and european works this provocative volume draws the reader into a close encounter with architectural interiors film scenes and other arrangements while interrogating the discourses of subjectivity surrounding them and the evacuation of the subject in the contemporary discussion the impersonal effects of architecture radically changes the methodology just as it reimagines architectural subjectivity for the twenty-first century spiritual themes are common in movies the unconventional savior the hero's journey the redemption tale the balance of creation journalist john a zukowski reflects on twelve major spiritual themes in the world of cinema discussing films from dead man walking to bruce almighty from groundhog day to chariots of fire and many more see them all read them all before you die biblical reception is rapidly becoming the go-to annual publication for all matters related to the reception of the bible the annual addresses all kinds of use of the bible in art music literature film and popular culture as well as in the history of interpretation for this fourth edition of the annual guest editor david tollerton has commissioned pieces specifically on the use of the bible in one film exodus gods and kings and these chapters consider how the film uses the bible and how the bible functions within the film these two volumes have been classics of film studies for as long as they've been available and are considered the gold standard in the field of film criticism this book reconsiders audiovisual culture through a focus on human perception with recourse to ideas derived from recent neuroscience it proceeds from the assumption that rather than simply working on a straightforward cognitive level audiovisual culture also functions more fundamentally on a physiological level directly exploiting precise aspects of human perception vision and hearing are unified in a merged signal in the brain through being processed in the same areas this is illustrated by the startling mcgurk effect whereby the perception of spoken sound is

changed by its accompanying image and counterpart effects which demonstrate that what we see is affected by different sounds accompanying sounds this blending of sound and images into a whole has become a universal aspect of culture not only evident in films and television but also in video games and short internet clips indeed this aesthetic formation has become the dominant of this period the mcgurk universe attends to how audiovisual culture engages with and mediates between physiological and psychological levels one of françois truffaut s most poignantly memorable films jules and jim adapted a novel by the french writer and art collector henri pierre roch the characters and events of the 1960s film were based on a real life romantic triangle begun in the summer of 1920 which involved roch himself the german jewish writer franz hessel and his wife the journalist helen grund drawing on this film and others by truffaut robert stam provides the first in depth examination of the multifaceted relationship between truffaut and roch in the process he provides a unique lens through which to understand how adaptation works from history to novel and ultimately to film and how each form of expression is inflected by the period in which it is created truffaut s adaptation of roch s work stam suggests demonstrates how reworkings can be much more than simply copies of their originals rather they can become an immensely creative enterprise a form of writing in itself the book also moves beyond truffaut s film and the mnage trois involving roch hessel and grund to explore the intertwined lives and work of other famous artists and intellectuals including marcel duchamp walter benjamin and charlotte wolff tracing the tangled webs that linked these individuals lives stam opens the door to an erotic writerly territory where the complex interplay of various artistic sensibilities all mulling over the same nucleus of feelings and events vividly comes alive allen smithee specializes in the mediocre he is versatile he is prolific and he doesn t exist from 1969 until 1999 allen smithee was the pseudonym adopted by hollywood directors when they wished not to be associated with films ostensibly of their making encompassing over fifty films of various stripes b movies sequels music videos made for tv movies smithee s three decades of work affords the authors of this volume a unique opportunity to reassess the claims of auteurism both in its traditional guise and in the more commodified form it currently assumes sometimes treating smithee as an auteur in much the same way critics and scholars have treated directors as diverse as douglas sirk abbas kiarostami and quentin tarantino the contributors reclaim new possibilities for auteurist filmmaking and film studies even as they show what an empty display it has recently become in accounting for this change the essays in this volume employ innovative theories of authorship to recapture the subversive effect that auteurism once enjoyed thus the smithee name becomes part of a larger discussion of the economics and history of pseudonyms in filmmaking notably in the blacklist of the 1950s as well as an opportunity to employ jacques derrida s theory of the signature to recover obscured economic and historic contexts within smithee s films unique in its focus innovative in its approach directed by allen smithee argues that it is precisely through throwaway films such as smithee s that recent hollywood cinema can best be studied este libro uno de los grandes clasicos de la bibliografia cinematografica refleja una especie de encrucijada en el terreno de la teoria y de la critica recoge las reflexiones de andre bazin sobre el cine de jean renoir el cineasta que mas influyo en el establecimiento de las principales bases de la teoria cinematografica del propio bazin y en los modelos expresivos de la nouvelle vague y apunta las nuevas orientaciones que el teorico frances uno de los mas influyentes en la historia de la critica empezo a

elaborar en los últimos años de su vida dos nuevas líneas que se articulan en torno a los grandes ejes de su teoría el concepto de realismo y la idea del cine como arte impuro pero el libro es a la vez una obra postuma inacabada y fragmentaria compuesta de diversos textos que Bazin fue elaborando independientemente a lo largo de su vida con la intención de completar un libro que nunca pudo terminar. François Truffaut, cineasta y crítico, se encargó entonces del trabajo de compilación y el resultado fue el texto que el lector tiene entre sus manos, claramente dividido en tres partes. En la primera se incluyen los principales textos de Bazin sobre el *renoir*, incluyendo notas manuscritas que nunca antes habían visto la luz. La segunda reproduce fragmentos de las primeras versiones de algunos guiones como los de *La gran ilusión* y *La regla del juego*, y la tercera incluye la *biofilmografía* que Bazin publicó en el número especial de *Cahiers du cinéma* dedicado al director francés, complementada con una serie de comentarios elaborados por algunos miembros de la revista, luego convertidos en prestigiosos cineastas del propio Truffaut: Jean-Luc Godard, Jacques Rivette, Oskar Rohmer, y en fin, el resultado no es solo una de las mejores monografías jamás publicadas. This is the first full-length study devoted to the art of Arthur Gurney, a major contemporary American playwright who has written over thirty plays, including *Love Letters*. This volume brings together original interviews with Gurney and four actors and a director who have worked closely with him, as well as essays by leading theater scholars on the range of Gurney's work (1945-1994). 22776 Truffaut shot to fame in 1959 with his first film, *Les 400 coups*, a semi-autobiographical narrative shot in the low-budget neo-realist style of the emerging *Nouvelle Vague*. He went on to make twenty-three films in twenty-six years, films which have entertained, provoked debate, and caused controversy. This fresh appraisal of his work provides a useful socio-political contextualization and gives an overview of his films and film-making methods, shedding new light on key aspects such as sexual politics, the construction of masculinity, the exploitation of genre, and the tension throughout the films between the absolute and the provisional. Despite the clichés which govern much of its current forms, the cinema continues to have a vital political and aesthetic significance. Our commitment to, and our sincerity towards, our ways of being in the world have become catastrophically eroded. Nihilism and despair have taken hold; we must find a way to renew our faith in our capacity to transform the world, a faith that will give us back the reality of a world eroded by the restrictive capitalist ontology of modernity. How can we restore belief in the reality of a world when scepticism and universal pessimism have taken hold? Is it possible to find alternative ways of living, being, and thinking? This book will discuss the means by which some filmmakers have grasped the vocation of resisting and transforming the present, of cultivating new forms of belief in the world when total alienation seems inevitable. Both a history of film theory and an introduction to the work of the most important writers in the field, Andrew's volume reveals the bases of thought of such major theorists as Münsterberg, Arnheim, Eisenstein, Balázs, Kracauer, Bazin, Mitry, and Metz.

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just before world war ii french cinema reached a high point that has been dubbed the style of poetic realism working with unforgettable actors like jean gabin and arletty directors such as renoir carné gremillon duvivier and chenal routinely captured the prizes for best film at every festival and in every country and their accomplishments led to general agreement that the

french were the first to give maturity to the sound cinema here the distinguished film scholar dudley andrew examines the motivations and consequences of these remarkable films by looking at the cultural web in which they were made beyond giving a rich view of the life and worth of cinema in france andrew contributes substantially to our knowledge of how films are dealt with in history where earlier studies have treated the masterpieces of this era either in themselves or as part of the vision of their creators and where certain recent scholars have reacted to this by dissolving the masterpieces back into the system of entertainment that made them possible andrew stresses the dialogue of culture and cinema in his view the films open questions that take us into the culture while our understanding of the culture gives energy direction and consequence to our reading of the films the book demonstrates the value of this hermeneutic approach for one set of texts and one period but it should very much interest film theorists and film historians of all sorts

Filming Shakespeare's Plays

1990-06-29

shakespeare s plays provide wonderfully challenging material for the film maker while acknowledging that dramatic experiences for theatre and cinema audiences are significantly different this book reveals some of the special qualities of cinema s dramatic language in the film adaptations of shakespeare s plays by four directors laurence olivier orson welles peter brook and akira kurosawa each of whom has a distinctly different approach to a film representation davies begins his study with a comparison of theatrical and cinematic space showing that the dramatic resources of cinema are essentially spatial the central chapters focus on laurence olivier s henry v hamlet and richard iii orson welles macbeth othello and chimes at midnight peter brook s king lear and akira kurosawa s throne of blood davies discusses the dramatic problems posed by the source plays for these films for the film maker and he examines how these films influenced later theatrical stagings he concludes with an examination of the demands that distinguish the work of the shakespearean stage actor from that of his counterpart in film

The Real Gaze

2008-01-03

examines the gaze in lacanian film theory

Intermedial Dialogues

2019-05-23

casting fresh light on one of the most important movements in film history intermedial dialogues the french new wave and the other arts is the first comprehensive study of the new wave s relationship with the older arts traversing the fields of literature theatre painting architecture and photography and drawing on andre bazin alongside recent theories of intermediality it investigates the impure intermedial aesthetics of new wave cinema filmmakers under discussion include critics turned directors francois truffaut eric rohmer jean luc godard jacques rivette and claude chabrol members of the left bank group alain resnais agnes varda and chris marker but also lesser known directors notably the secret child of the new wave guy gilles this wide ranging book offers an original reading of the complex often ambivalent ways in which the new wave engages the other arts in both its discursive construction and filmic practice key features a wide ranging study which explores the complex often ambiguous ways in which the new wave engages with the other arts in both its discursive construction and cinematic practiceaffords a new prism for understanding new wave filmmaking and its legacy through comprehensive analysis of the ways in which the new wave aesthetic was shaped through intermedial dialogue and medium rivalry reassesses one of the most acclaimed movements in film history drawing on cutting edge theory in the prominent field of intermediality studiesoffers an inclusive heterogeneous view of the new wave through inclusion of lesser known directors such as guy gilles jean daniel pollet and jacques demy alongside renowned nouvelle vague filmmakers

Now a Major Motion Picture

2008

going beyond the process of adaptation geraghty is more interested in the films themselves and how they draw on our sense of recall while a film reflects its literary source it also invites comparisons to our memories and associations with other versions of the original for example a viewer may watch the 2005 big screen production of pride and prejudice and remember austen s novel as well as the bbc s 1995 television movie adaptations also rely on the conventions of genre editing acting and sound to engage our recall elements that many movie critics tend to forget when focusing solely on faithfulness to the written word

hollywood to documentary and postcolonial film how is film related to the many modern practices that define themselves as configuring pastness in the present such as architectural preservation theme parks and above all professional historical research what is the relation of history in film to other media such as television and digital imaging how does emphasizing the connection between film and modern historicity affect the theorization and historicization of film and modern media culture pursuing the full implications of film as cultural production philip rosen reconceptualizes modern historicity as a combination of characteristic epistemological structures on the one hand and the social imperative to regulate or manage time on the other emphasizing a fundamental constellation of pursuit of the real indexical signification and the need to control time he interrogates a spectrum of film theory and film texts his argument refocuses the category of temporality for film and cultural theory while rethinking the importance of historicity an original and sustained meditation on the historiographic status of cinematic signs change mummified is both an intervention in film and media studies and an argument for the continuing necessity of modern historical thinking in its contradictions

Time Regained

2021-10-07

awarded the tudor vianu prize for literary and cultural theory by the national museum of romanian literature over the past 30 years the fields of world literature and world cinema have developed on parallel but largely separate tracks with little recognition of their underlying similarities and the ways that each can learn from the other time regained does not move from literature to cinema but exists simultaneously in both fields the 7 filmmakers selected here andrei tarkovsky akira kurosawa martin scorsese raúl ruíz wong kar wai stephen daldry and paolo sorrentino are themselves also writers or people with literary training and they produce a new type of world cinema thanks to their understanding of the world simultaneously through literature and film in the process their films produce new readings of literary texts that world literature studies wouldn't have been able to achieve with its own instruments time regained examines how filmmakers build on literature to reconfigure the world as a landscape of dreams and how they use film to reinvent the narrative techniques of the authors on whom they draw the selected filmmakers draw inspiration from french surrealists modernists marcel proust virginia woolf and marguerite yourcenar and predecessors such as dante and cao xueqin in the process these filmmakers cross the borders between film and literature nation and world dream and reality

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1989

1918 1958

2015-03

architecture for a free subjectivity reformulates the french philosopher gilles deleuze s model of subjectivity for architecture by surveying the prolific effects of architectural encounter and the spaces that figure in them for deleuze and his lacanian collaborator félix guattari subjectivity does not refer to a person but to the potential for and event of matter becoming subject and the myriad ways for this to take place by extension this book theorizes architecture as a self actuating or creative agency for the liberation of purely impersonal effects imagine a chemical reaction a riot in the banlieues indeed a walk through a city simone brott declares that the architectural object does not merely take part in the production of subjectivity but that it constitutes its own this book is to date the only attempt to develop deleuze s philosophy of subjectivity in singularly architectural terms through a screening of modern and postmodern american and european works this provocative volume draws the reader into a close encounter with architectural interiors film scenes and other arrangements while interrogating the discourses of subjectivity surrounding them and the evacuation of the subject in the contemporary discussion the impersonal effects of architecture radically changes the methodology just as it reimagines architectural subjectivity for the twenty first century

Architecture for a Free Subjectivity

2016-12-05

spiritual themes are common in movies the unconventional savior the hero s journey the redemption tale the balance of creation journalist john a zukowski reflects on twelve major spiritual themes in the world of cinema discussing films from dead man walking to bruce almighty from groundhog day to chariots of fire and many more see them all read them all before you die



1960

biblical reception is rapidly becoming the go to annual publication for all matters related to the reception of the bible the annual addresses all kinds of use of the bible in art music literature film and popular culture as well as in the history of interpretation for this fourth edition of the annual guest editor david tollerton has commissioned pieces specifically on the use of the bible in one film exodus gods and kings and these chapters consider how the film uses the bible and how the bible functions within the film

100 Spiritual Movies to See before You Die

2023-11-15

these two volumes have been classics of film studies for as long as they ve been available and are considered the gold standard in the field of film criticism

Biblical Reception, 4

2016-12-01

this book reconsiders audiovisual culture through a focus on human perception with recourse to ideas derived from recent neuroscience it proceeds from the assumption that rather than simply working on a straightforward cognitive level audiovisual culture also functions more fundamentally on a physiological level directly exploiting precise aspects of human perception vision and hearing are unified in a merged signal in the brain through being processed in the same areas this is illustrated by the startling mcgurk effect whereby the perception of spoken sound is changed by its accompanying image and counterpart effects which demonstrate that what we see is affected by different sounds accompanying sounds this blending of sound and images into a whole has become a universal aspect of culture not only evident in films and television but also in video games and short internet clips indeed this aesthetic formation has become the dominant of this period the mcgurk universe attends to how audiovisual culture engages with and mediates between physiological and psychological levels



1977

one of françois truffaut s most poignantly memorable films jules and jim adapted a novel by the french writer and art collector henri pierre roch the characters and events of the 1960s film were based on a real life romantic triangle begun in the summer of 1920 which involved roch himself the german jewish writer franz hessel and his wife the journalist helen grund drawing on this film and others by truffaut robert stam provides the first in depth examination of the multifaceted relationship between truffaut and roch in the process he provides a unique lens through which to understand how adaptation works from history to novel and ultimately to film and how each form of expression is inflected by the period in which it is created truffaut s adaptation of roch s work stam suggests demonstrates how reworkings can be much more than simply copies of their originals rather they can become an immensely creative enterprise a form of writing in itself the book also moves beyond truffaut s film and the mnage trois involving roch hessel and grund to explore the intertwined lives and work of other famous artists and intellectuals including marcel duchamp walter benjamin and charlotte wolff tracing the tangled webs that linked these individuals lives stam opens the door to an erotic writerly territory where the complex interplay of various artistic sensibilities all mulling over the same nucleus of feelings and events vividly comes alive

What Is Cinema?

2005

allen smithee specializes in the mediocre he is versatile he is prolific and he doesn t exist from 1969 until 1999 allen smithee was the pseudonym adopted by hollywood directors when they wished not to be associated with films ostensibly of their making encompassing over fifty films of various stripes b movies sequels music videos made for tv movies smithee s three decades of work affords the authors of this volume a unique opportunity to reassess the claims of auteurism both in its traditional guise and in the more commodified form it currently assumes sometimes treating smithee as an auteur in much the same way critics and scholars have treated directors as diverse as douglas sirk abbas kiarostami and quentin tarantino the contributors reclaim new possibilities for auteurist filmmaking and film studies even as they show what an empty display it has recently become in accounting for this change the essays in this volume employ innovative theories of authorship to recapture the subversive effect that auteurism once enjoyed thus the smithee name becomes part of a larger discussion of the economics and history of pseudonyms in filmmaking notably in the blacklist of the 1950s as well as an opportunity to employ jacques derrida s theory of the signature to recover obscured economic and historic contexts within smithee s films unique in its focus innovative in its

approach directed by allen smithee argues that it is precisely through throwaway films such as smithee s that recent hollywood cinema can best be studied

The McGurk Universe

2023-01-01

este libro uno de los grandes clasicos de la bibliografia cinematografica refleja una especie de encrucijada en el terreno de la teoria y de la critica recoge las reflexiones de andre bazin sobre el cine de jean renoir el cineasta que mas influyo en el establecimiento de las principales bases de la teoria cinematografica del propio bazin y en los modelos expresivos de la nouvelle vague y apunta las nuevas orientaciones que el teorico frances uno de los mas influyentes en la historia de la critica empezo a elaborar en los ultimos anos de su vida dos nuevas lineas que se articulan en torno a los grandes ejes de su teoria el concepto de realismo y la idea del cine como arte impuro pero el libro es a la vez una obra postuma inacabada y fragmentaria compuesta de diversos textos que bazin fue elaborando independientemente a lo largo de su vida con la intencion de completar un libro que nunca pudo terminar franc ois truffaut cineasta y critico se encargo entonces del trabajo de compilacion y el resultado fue el texto que el lector tiene entre sus manos claramente dividido en tres partes en la primera se incluyen los principales textos de bazin sobre renoir incluyendo notas manuscritas que nunca antes habian visto la luz la segunda reproduce fragmentos de las primeras versiones de algunos guiones como los de la gran ilusion y la regla del juego y la tercera incluye la biofilmografia que bazin publico en el numero especial de cahiers du cinema dedicado al director frances complementada con una serie de comentarios elaborados por algunos miembros de la revista luego convertidos en prestigiosos cineastas del propio truffaut a jean luc godard pasando por jacques rivette oeric rohmer y en fin el resultado no es solo una de las mejores monografias jamas pub

François Truffaut and Friends

2006-02-15

this is the first full length study devoted to the art of a r gurney a major contemporary american playwright who has written over thirty plays including love letters this volume brings together original interviews with gurney and four actors and a director who have worked closely with him as well as essays by leading theater scholars on the range of gurney s work

Directed by Allen Smithee

2001

1945-1994-22776

Jean Renoir

1999

truffaut shot to fame in 1959 with his first film les 400 coups a semi autobiographical narrative shot in the low budget neo realist style of the emerging nouvelle vague he went on to make twenty three films in twenty six years films which have entertained provoked debate and caused controversy this fresh appraisal of his work provides a useful socio political contextualization and gives an overview of his films and film making methods shedding new light on key aspects such as sexual politics the construction of masculinity the exploitation of genre and the tension throughout the films between the absolute and the provisional

A.R. Gurney

2004-03-01

despite the clichés which govern much of its current forms the cinema continues to have a vital political and aesthetic significance our commitment to and our sincerity towards our ways of being in the world have become catastrophically eroded nihilism and despair have taken hold we must find a way to renew our faith in our capacity to transform the world a faith that will give us back the reality of a world eroded by the restrictive capitalist ontology of modernity how can we restore belief in the reality of a world when scepticism and universal pessimism have taken hold is it possible to find alternative ways of living being and thinking this book will discuss the means by which some filmmakers have grasped the vocation of resisting and transforming the present of cultivating new forms of belief in the world when total alienation seems inevitable

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1997

both a history of film theory and an introduction to the work of the most important writers in the field andrew s volume reveals the bases of thought of such major theorists as munsterberg arnheim eisenstein balazs kracauer bazin mitry and metz

Francois Truffaut

1998-10-15

Film Theory

2004

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1982

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The Major Film Theories

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