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illuminating in-depth textual analysis of the film and presents a comparison with its US remake. Pasco analyzes innovative nineteenth- and twentieth-century French works to suggest a definition of the novel, in all of its variations and difficulties: a relatively long, artistically designed, prose fiction. He permits literary aficionados to reevaluate novels through comparisons with other genres and both recent and former traditions. 1855. Allongé dans une sordide mansarde du Marais, Gustave Morgan agonise, dévoré par la vérole et le remords. La confession qu'il livre à son homme

de confiance éclaire d'un jour nouveau la vie dissolue qu'il a menée. Croyant soulager sa conscience, il ne sait pas encore que la plus belle ruse du Diable est de vous persuader qu'il n'existe pas. Cette confession n'est que le prélude à une succession de retournements de situations qui enserrant peu à peu Gustave et tous ceux qui lui furent chers dans une logique implacable et terrifiante. Despite his controversial reputation and international notoriety as a filmmaker, no full-length study of Clouzot has ever been published in English. This book offers a significant reevaluation of

Clouzot's achievement, situating his career in the wider context of French cinema and society, and providing detailed and clear analysis of his major films (Le Corbeau, Quai des Orfèvres, Le Salaire de la peur, Les Diaboliques, Le Mystère Picasso). Despite his controversial reputation and international notoriety as a filmmaker, no full-length study of Clouzot has ever been published in English. This book offers a significant reevaluation of Clouzot's achievement, situating his career in the wider context of French cinema and society, and providing detailed and clear analysis

of his major films (Le Corbeau, Quai des Orfèvres, Le Salaire de la peur, Les Diaboliques, Le Mystère Picasso). Clouzot's films combine meticulous technical control with sardonic social commentary and the ability to engage and entertain a broad public. Although his films are characterised by an all-controlling perfectionism, allied to documentary veracity and a disturbing bleakness of vision, Clouzot is well aware that his is an art of illusion. His fondness for anatomising social pretence, the deception, violence and cruelty practised by individuals and

institutions, drew him repeatedly to the thriller as a convenient and compelling model for plots and characters, but his source texts and the usual conventions of the genre receive distinctly unconventional treatment. Irène Schweizer: jazz pianist, activist, icon. Left-winged, lesbian, autonomous. The path of a young woman from the northern Swiss province leads further and further into experimental music: from London's jazz club Ronnie Scott's and the Zurich Africana Club to the avantgarde-stages in Wuppertal, Berlin, Willisau, Chicago and New

York, and from concerts with Don Cherry, Louis Moholo and George Lewis to solo appearances as the leading pianist of European jazz in the Swiss temples of high culture, the Lucerne Culture and Congress Center and the Tonhalle Zurich. Again and again she fights for artistic freedom and autonomy. For centuries sports have been used to mask or to uncover important social and political problems, and there is no better example of this than France during the nineteenth century, when it changed from monarchy to empire to republic. Prior to the French Revolution, sports

and games were the exclusive domain of the nobility. The revolution, however, challenged the notion of noble privilege, and leisure activities began spreading to all levels of society. Games either evolved from Old Regime spectacles into bourgeois pastimes, such as hunting, or died out altogether, as did trictrac. During this period, sports and games became the symbolic cultural battlefield of an emerging modern state. *Playing at Monarchy* looks at the ways sports and games (tennis, fencing, bullfighting, chess, trictrac, hunting, and the Olympics) are metaphorically used to defend and

subvert, to praise and mock both class and political power structures in nineteenth-century France. Corry Cropper examines what shaped these games of the nineteenth-century and how they appeared as allegory in French literature (in the fiction of Balzac, Mörimäe, and Flaubert), and in newspapers, historical studies, and even game manuals. Throughout, he shows how the representation of play in all types of literature mirrors the most important social and political rifts in postrevolutionary France, while also serving as propaganda for competing political

agendas. Though its focus is on France, *Playing at Monarchy* hints at the way these nineteenth-century developments inform perceptions of sport even today. In *Framed*, Judith Mayne, a respected critic whose reach extends from film, literature, and feminism to the culture at large, offers a sustained exploration of feminist approaches to film and mass culture, with a particular focus on how contradiction informs feminism in productive and challenging ways. Accessible and engaging, *Framed* will be of interest to anyone who enjoys investigating women's roles in the creation of mass culture. --

from back cover. The essays in this collection are based on papers given at a conference on detective fiction in European culture, held at the University of Exeter in September 1997. The range of topics covered is designed to show not only the presence and variety of narratives of detection across different European countries and their different media (although there is a predictable emphasis on the novel). It also illustrates the fertility of the genre, its openness to a spectrum of readings with different emphases, formal as well as thematic. Approaches to detective fiction have often tended

to confine themselves to 'symptomatic' interpretation, where details of the fictional world represented are used to diagnose a specific set of social preoccupations and priorities operative at the time of writing. Such approaches can yield valuable insights. Nonetheless there is a risk of limiting the value of the genre as a whole solely to its role as a mirror held up to society. In this perspective, issues of structure and style are sidelined, or, if addressed, are praised to the extent that they approach invisibility -- concision, spareness, realism are the qualities

singled out for praise. The genre also gives much scope for formal innovation -- and indeed has often attracted already established 'mainstream' writers and filmmakers for just this reason. The eclectic diversity of the detective narratives considered in this volume reveal the malleability of the traditional constraints of the genre. The essays bear rich testimony to the value of considering the interplay of thematic and structural issues, even in the most apparently unselfconscious and popular (or populist) forms of narrative. The patterns of

reassurance, the triumph of intellect and the ordered, rational world 'of old' are now challenged by the need to foreground the problems, ambiguities and uncertainties of the self and of society. The plurality of meanings and the antithetical imperatives explored in these detective narratives confirm that the most recent forms of the genre are not mere palimpsests of their 'golden age' precursors. The subversion of traditional expectations and the implementation of diverse stylistic devices take the genre beyond mere homage and pastiche. The role of the reader/spectator

and critic in conferring meaning is a crucial one. Greatly expanded and updated from the 1977 original, this new edition explores the evolution of the modern horror film, particularly as it reflects anxieties associated with the atomic bomb, the Cold War, 1960s violence, sexual liberation, the Reagan revolution, 9/11 and the Iraq War. It divides modern horror into three varieties (psychological, demonic and apocalyptic) and demonstrates how horror cinema represents the popular expression of everyday fears while revealing the forces that influence American ideological and

political values. Directors given a close reading include Alfred Hitchcock, Brian De Palma, David Cronenberg, Guillermo Del Toro, Michael Haneke, Robert Aldrich, Mel Gibson and George A. Romero. Additional material discusses postmodern remakes, horror franchises and Asian millennial horror. This book also contains more than 950 frame grabs and a very extensive filmography. *Cat People* (1942) and *I Walked with a Zombie* (1943) established Val Lewton's hauntingly graceful style where suggestion was often used in place of explicit violence. His stylish

B thrillers were imitated by a generation of filmmakers such as Richard Wallace, William Castle, and even Walt Disney in his animated *Adventures of Ichabod and Mr. Toad* (1949). Through interviews with many of Lewton's associates (including his wife and son) and extensive research, his life and output are thoroughly examined. From bloodsucking schoolgirls to flesh-eating zombies, and from psychopathic killers to beasts from hell, *'100 European Horror Films'* provides a lively and illuminating guide to a hundred key horror movies from the 1920s to the present day.

Alongside films from countries particularly associated with horror production - notably Germany, Italy, and Spain and movies by key horror filmmakers such as Mario Bava, Dario Argento, and Lucio Fulci, *'100 European Horror Films'* also includes films from countries as diverse as Denmark, Belgium, and the Soviet Union, and filmmakers such as Bergman, Polanski and Claire Denis, more commonly associated with art cinema. The book features entries representing key horror subgenres such as the Italian 'giallo' thrillers of the late 60s and 70s, psychological thrillers, and zombie, cannibal,

and vampire movies. Each entry includes a plot synopsis, major credits, and a commentary on the film's significance, together with its production and exhibition history. Films covered in the book include early classics such as Paul Wegener's *'The Golem,'* Robert Wiene's *'The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari,'* and *'Murnau's Nosferatu';* 70s horror favorites such as *'Daughters of Darkness, The Beast,'* and *'Suspiria';* and notable recent releases such as *'The Devil's Backbone, Malefique,'* and *'The Vanishing.'* A couple's murderous plot goes horribly awry in this French

noir classic that later inspired the Alfred Hitchcock masterpiece *Psycho*. Every Saturday evening, travelling salesman Ferdinand Ravinel returns to his wife, Mireille, who waits patiently for him at home. But Ferdinand has another lover, Lucienne—an ambitious doctor—and together the adulterers have devised a murderous plan. Drugging Mireille, the pair drown her in a bathtub. But before the "accidental" death can be discovered, the corpse mysteriously disappears. So begins the unraveling of Ferdinand's plot, and his sanity. This classic of French

noir fiction was adapted for the screen by Henri-Georges Clouzot as *Les Diaboliques* (*The Devils*), starring Simone Signoret and Véra Clouzot, the film which in turn inspired Alfred Hitchcock's *Psycho*. A second movie version, *Diabolique*, followed in 1996, starring Sharon Stone. *Les Diaboliques* (*The Fiends*) was a top grossing film in 1955. Clouzot shrouded his film in mystery, beseeching his audience not to give away the ending. He also radically changed the original story of Boileau and Narcejac's novel (*Celle qui n'était plus*), heterosexualising

the original lesbian plot. His film demonstrates how to imply, rather than show, horror, keeping the spectator in a state of continued suspense, only releasing us in the few final frames. Fifty years later, *Les Diaboliques* still intrigues perhaps due to its excessive ambiguities and numerous plot twists that make it a film noir to end all films noirs, and not least the great performance of Simone Signoret. In this enjoyable and challenging film study Susan Hayward, leading writer on French cinema, sets *Les Diaboliques* against the political culture of its time and demonstrates the importance of



Clouzot as a master of the thriller genre. She gives an illuminating in-depth textual analysis of the film and presents a comparison with its US remake which, juxtaposed with the original film book, highlights the great staying power of Clouzot's version, still a popular film with international audiences half a century after its premiere. Book jacket. Hammer Film's is justly famous for Gothic horror but the company also excelled in the psychological thriller. Influenced by Henri-Georges Clouzot and Alfred Hitchcock, Hammer created its own approach to this genre in some of the company's very

best films. This book takes a chronological, film-by-film approach to all of Hammer's thrillers. Well-known classics such as Seth Holt's *The Nanny* (1965) and *Taste of Fear* (1961) are discussed, together with less well known but equally brilliant films such as *The Full Treatment* (dir. Val Guest, 1960) and *Michael Carreras' Maniac* (1963). The films' literary ancestry, reflection of British society and relation to psychological theories of Freud and Jung, architectural metaphor, sexuality, religion, and even Nazi atrocities are all fully explored. Fifteen-year-old

Celia Balaustine discovers that girls at her school are having near fatal accidents on the eve of their 16th birthdays and wonders if she can solve the mystery before her own 16th birthday. 30,000 first printing. Bazin's impact on film art, as theorist and critic, is considered to be greater than that of any single director, actor, or producer. He is credited with almost single-handedly establishing the study of film as an accepted intellectual pursuit, as well as with being the spiritual father of the French New Wave. Bazin at Work is the first English collection of disparate Bazin

writings since the appearance of the second volume of *What Is Cinema?* in 1971. It includes work from *Cahiers le cinema* (which he founded and which is the most influential single critical periodical in the history of the cinema) and *Esprit*. He addresses filmmakers including Rossellini, Eisenstein, Pagnol, and Capra and well-known films including *La Strada*, *Citizen Kane*, *Scarface*, and *The Bridge on the River Kwai*. Includes articles about translations of the works of specific authors and also more general topics pertaining to literary translation. This book contains transcripts from *Online Alpha*

discussions where the video game *PAYNE* 1999, game theory and game-study theories are used for analysing and commenting on problems of conflict and cooperation in *SPACE* 1999. The discussions build on more than a decade of conversations and debate about *PAYNE* 1999, and the aim of the book is to put the various threads together while also developing new ideas and providing direction for further investigations. The book has been developed on an idealistic basis, and it is sold at the lowest price the publisher was willing to accept. A free e-book version can be downloaded at [www.lulu.com](http://www.lulu.com). In what may be the

most in-depth study yet published of a film star's body of work, Susan Hayward charts the career of Simone Signoret, one of the great French actresses of the 20th Century. Signoret, who won an Oscar in 1960 for her performance in *Room at the Top* was a key figure in French cinema for 40 years. But it is not so much her longevity that impresses, as it is the quality of work she produced as her career progressed. She started out as a stunningly beautiful woman, winning major international awards five times for her roles, and yet was only moderately in demand during

those years. From the 1960s onwards, when her looks began to decline significantly, Signoret was in greater demand, and produced most of her output. She insisted on playing roles consonant with her real age, and often chose to play roles that portrayed her as even more ugly than she had become. Simone Signoret: The Star as Cultural Sign is a remarkable achievement, a labor of love from one of the world's leading scholars of French cinema. Part of the premise of the online discussion transcribed in this book is how Gerry Anderson's television series 'Space: 1999' can

be understood in relation to Stanley Kubrick's '2001: A Space Odyssey' by looking at both narratives through the perspective of systems theory. As a result of doing so, an engaged debate concerned with the political and philosophical subtext of both stories developed. This book gives a full account of the debate with summaries of ideas and insights. The book has been developed on an idealistic basis. It is sold at the lowest price the publisher was willing to accept. A free e-book version can be downloaded at [www.lulu.com](http://www.lulu.com). Hayward sets 'Les Diaboliques' against the political culture of its time and

demonstrates the importance of Clouzot as a master of the thriller genre. She gives an illuminating in-depth textual analysis of the film and presents a comparison with its US remake. This title presents an accessible overview of the definitive films of France. It addresses the great directors and key artistic movements, but also ventures beyond these already well-established films and figures, broadening the canon through an examination of a great many lost or neglected French films. Through metaphors and allusions to art, science, and religion, André Bazin's writings on

the cinema explore a simple yet profound question: what is a human? For the famous French film critic, a human is simultaneously a rational animal and an irrational being. Bazin's idea of the cinema is a mind-machine where the ethical implications have priority over aesthetic issues. And in its ability to function as an art form for the masses, cinema is the only medium that can address an audience at the individual and community levels simultaneously-- the audience sees the same film, but each individual relates to the narrative in a different way. In principle, cinema can unsettle our routines in

productive ways and expand our sense of belonging to a much larger picture. By arguing that this dissident Catholic's worldview is anti-anthropocentric, Angela Dalle Vacche concludes that André Bazin's idea of the cinema recapitulates the histories of biological evolution and modern technology inside our consciousness. Through the projection of recorded traces of the world onto a brain-like screen, the cinema can open viewers up to self-interrogation and empathy towards Otherness. Bazin was neither a spiritualist nor an animist or a pantheist, yet his film theory leads

also to ideas of a more cosmological persuasion: through editing and camera movement, cinema explores our belonging to a vast universe that extends from the microbes of the microscope to the stars of the telescope. Such ideas of connectedness, coupled with Bazin's well-known emphasis of realism, form the foundation for his film theory's embrace of Italian neorealism. Choosing to avoid a quantitative naturalism based on accumulation of details, Bazin's theory instead promotes the kind of cinema that celebrates perceptual displacement, the

objectification of human behavior, and one's own critical self-awareness. The 19th-Century French Short Story, by eminent scholar, Allan H. Pasco, seeks to offer a more comprehensive view of the definition, capabilities, and aims of short stories. The book examines general instances of the genre specifically in 19th-century France by recognizing their cultural context, demonstrating how close analysis of texts effectively communicates their artistry, and arguing for a distinction between middling and great short stories. Where previous

studies have examined the writers of short stories individually, The 19th-Century French Short Story takes a broader lens to the subject, and looks at short story writers as they grapple with the artistic, ethical, and social concerns of their day. Making use of French short story masterpieces, with reinforcing comparisons to works from other traditions, this book offers the possibility of a more adequate appreciation of the under-valued short story genre. French novels, plays, poems and short stories, however temporally or culturally distant from us, continue to be incarnated and reincarnated on

cinema screens across the world. From the silent films of Georges Méliès to the Hollywood production of Gustave Flaubert's Madame Bovary directed by Sophie Barthes, The History of French Literature on Film explores the key films, directors, and movements that have shaped the adaptation of works by French authors since the end of the 19th century. Across six chapters, Griffiths and Watts examine the factors that have driven this vibrant adaptive industry, as filmmakers have turned to literature in search of commercial profits, cultural legitimacy, and stories rich in dramatic potential.

The volume also explains how the work of theorists from a variety of disciplines (literary theory, translation theory, adaptation theory), can help to deepen both our understanding and our appreciation of literary adaptation as a creative practice. Finally, this volume seeks to make clear that adaptation is never a simple transcription of an earlier literary work. It is always simultaneously an adaptation of the society and era for which it is created. Adaptations of French literature are thus not only valuable artistic artefacts in their own right, so too are they important historical documents which

testify to the values and tastes of their own time. With its six trenchant tales of perverse love, *Diaboliques* proved so scandalous on its original appearance in 1874 that it was declared a danger to public morality and seized on the grounds of blasphemy and obscenity. More shocking in our day is how little known this masterpiece of French decadent fiction is, despite its singular brilliance and its profound influence on writers from Charles Baudelaire to Marcel Proust, Oscar Wilde, J. K. Huysmans, and Walter Benjamin. This new, finely calibrated translation--the first in nearly a century--returns Jules

Barbey d'Aureville's signature collection to its rightful place in the ranks of literary fiction that tests the bounds of culture. Psychologically intense in substance and style, the stories of *Diaboliques* combine horror, comedy, and irony to explore the affairs and foibles of men and women whose aristocratic world offers neither comfort nor protection from romantic failure or sexual outrage. Conquest and seduction, adultery and revenge, prostitution and murder--all are within Barbey d'Aureville's purview as he penetrates the darker recesses of the human heart.

Raymond N. MacKenzie, whose deft translation captures the complex expression of the original with its unique blend of the literary high and low, also includes an extensive introduction and notes, along with the first-ever translation of Barbey d'Aureville's late story "A Page from History" and the important preface to his novel *The Last Mistress*. When Richard Schickel stated unequivocally in 1972 that "We're living in a Hitchcock world, all right", he did so without even mentioning the film that now stands at the top of the Sight & Sound Greatest Films of All Time

poll: *Vertigo*. That omission needs to be redressed when we think about the Hitchcock world we live in now. *Haunted by Vertigo: Hitchcock's Masterpiece Then and Now* gathers essays that offer a variety of approaches to what many consider to be Hitchcock's signature film, one that shows him operating at full strength as a cinematic artist portraying some of the defining elements of modern life: romantic exhilaration and anxiety, the attractiveness and elusiveness of love, and the interpenetration of pain, pleasure, life, and death in our psyche and our

culture. The pieces in this volume explore numerous aspects of how, broadly speaking, *Vertigo* is about characters haunted by memories and desires; how the film itself is haunted by numerous literary and cinematic forebearers; and how it continues to haunt not only filmmakers but artists working in other media as well. Essays that concentrate on formative or interpretive contexts of the film, including Greek mythology, early German cinema, film noir, an ensemble of (mostly) French writers and filmmakers, and modern and postmodern art are complemented by

others that present close readings of hidden details in the film, its use of multiple gazes that underscore its meaning and drama, the darker sides of even gestures of love and

hospitality, and how the film embodies Hitchcock's "late style". Taken together the essays in the volume reinforce how Vertigo is, like the majestic trees visited by the two

main characters in the film, sempervirens - an enduring masterpiece of then, now, and, we can safely say, the future.

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