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CONQUEST OF THE USELESS

REFLECTIONS FROM THE MAKING OF FITZCARRALDO

Harper Collins "Hypnotic....It is ever tempting to try to fathom his restless spirit and his determination to challenge fate." —Janet Maslin, *New York Times* Werner Herzog (Grizzly Man) is one of the most revered and enigmatic filmmakers of our time, and Fitzcarraldo is one of his most honored and admired films. More than just Herzog's journal of the making of the monumental, problematical motion picture, which involved, among other things, major cast changes and reshoots, and the hauling (without the use of special effects) of a 360-ton steamship over a mountain, Conquest of the Useless is a work of art unto itself, an Amazonian fever dream that emerged from the delirium of the jungle. With fascinating observations about crew and players—including Herzog's lead, the somewhat demented internationally renowned star Klaus Kinski—and breathtaking insights into the filmmaking process that are uniquely Werner Herzog, Conquest of the Useless is an eye-opening look into the mind of a cinematic master.

WERNER HERZOG - A GUIDE FOR THE PERPLEXED

CONVERSATIONS WITH PAUL CRONIN

Faber & Faber This edition of Herzog on Herzog presents a completely new set of interviews in which Werner Herzog discusses his career from its very beginnings to his most recent productions. Herzog was once hailed by Francois Truffaut as the most important director alive. Famous for his frequent collaborations with mercurial actor Klaus Kinski - including the epics, *Aguirre, the Wrath of God* and *Fitzcarraldo*, and the terrifying *Nosferatu* - and more recently with documentaries such as *Grizzly Man*, *Cave of Forgotten Dreams* and *Into the Abyss*, Herzog has built a body of work that is one of the most vital in post-war German cinema.

SCENARIOS III

STROSZEK; NOSFERATU, PHANTOM OF THE NIGHT; WHERE THE GREEN ANTS DREAM; COBRA VERDE

U of Minnesota Press For the first time in English, and in his signature prose poetry, the film scripts of four of Werner Herzog's early works "Herzog doesn't write traditional scripts," *Film International* remarked of the master filmmaker's Scenarios I and II. "Instead, he writes scenarios which are like a hybrid of film, fiction, and prose poetry." Continuing a series that *Publishers Weekly* pronounced "compulsively readable . . . equal parts challenging and satisfying, infuriating and enlightening," Scenarios III presents, for the first time in English, the shape-shifting scripts for four of Werner Herzog's early films: *Stroszek*; *Nosferatu*, *Phantom of the Night*; *Where the Green Ants Dream*; and *Cobra Verde*. We can observe Herzog's working vision as each of these scenarios unfolds in a form often dramatically different from the film's final version—as, in his own words, Herzog works himself up into "this kind of frenzy of high-caliber language and concepts and beauty." With Scenarios I and II, this volume completes the picture of Herzog's earliest work, affording a view of the filmmaker mastering his craft, well on his way to becoming one of the most original, and most celebrated, artists in his field.

EVERY NIGHT THE TREES DISAPPEAR

WERNER HERZOG AND THE MAKING OF HEART OF GLASS

Chicago Review Press "You know from seeing it that Herzog was up to something strange in filming *Heart of Glass*. Now the mystery is clarified. Alan Greenberg peers into the heart of darkness of the great artist." —Roger Ebert&"Mesmerizing . . . as poetic and mysterious as the film itself.&"—Jim Jarmusch This intimate chronicle of the visionary filmmaker Werner Herzog directing a masterwork is interwoven with Herzog's original screenplay to create a unique vision of its own. Alan Greenberg was, according to the director, the first &"outsider&" to seek him out and recognize his greatness. At the end of their first evening together Herzog urged Greenberg to work with him on his new film--and everything thereafter. In this film, *Heart of Glass*, Herzog exercised control over his actors by hypnotizing them before shooting their scenes. The result was one of the most haunting movies ever made. Not since Lillian Ross's classic 1950 book *Picture* has an American writer given such a close, first-hand, book-length account of how a director makes a movie. But this is not a conventional, journalistic account. Instead it presents a unique vision with the feel of a novel--intimate, penetrating, and filled with mystery. Alan Greenberg is a writer, film director, film producer, and photographer. He is also the author of *Love in Vain: A Vision of Robert Johnson*. Werner Herzog is considered one of the world's greatest filmmakers. His books include *Conquest of the Useless* and *Of Walking in Ice*.

WERNER HERZOG

INTERVIEWS

Univ. Press of Mississippi Over the course of his career, legendary director Werner Herzog (b. 1942) has made almost sixty films and given more than eight hundred interviews. This collection features the best of these, focusing on all the major films, from *Signs of Life and Aguirre, the Wrath of God* to *Grizzly Man* and *Cave of Forgotten Dreams*. When did Herzog decide to become a filmmaker? Who are his key influences? Where does he find his peculiar themes and characters? What role does music play in his films? How does he see himself in relation to the German past and in relation to film history? And how did he ever survive the wrath of Klaus Kinski? Herzog answers these and many other questions in twenty-five interviews ranging from the 1960s to the present. Critics and fans recognized Herzog's importance as a young German filmmaker early on, but his films have attained international significance over the decades. Most of the interviews collected in this volume—some of them from Herzog's production archive and previously unpublished—appear in English for the very first time. Together, they offer an unprecedented look at Herzog's work, his career, and his public persona as it has developed and changed over time.

THE PEREGRINE

THE HILL OF SUMMER AND DIARIES

HarperCollins UK *The Peregrine*, which won the Duff Cooper Prize in 1967, recounts a single year from the author's ten-year obsession with the peregrines that wintered near his home in eastern England. The writing is lyrically charged throughout, as the author's role of diligent observer gives way to a personal transformation, as Baker becomes, in the words of James Dickey, "a fusion of man and bird."

HERZOG ON HERZOG

CONVERSATIONS WITH PAUL CRONIN

Farrar, Straus and Giroux An invaluable set of career-length interviews with the German genius hailed by François Truffaut as "the most important film director alive" Most of what we've heard about Werner Herzog is untrue. The sheer number of false rumors and downright lies disseminated about the man and his films is truly astonishing. Yet Herzog's body of work is one of the most important in postwar European cinema. His international breakthrough came in 1973 with *Aguirre, The Wrath of God*, in which Klaus Kinski played a crazed Conquistador. For *The Enigma of Kaspar Hauser*, Herzog cast in the lead a man who had spent most of his life institutionalized, and two years later he hypnotized his entire cast to make *Heart of Glass*. He rushed to an explosive volcanic Caribbean island to film *La Soufrière*, paid homage to F. W. Murnau in a terrifying remake of *Nosferatu*, and in 1982 dragged a boat over a mountain in the Amazon jungle for *Fitzcarraldo*. More recently, Herzog has made extraordinary "documentary" films such as *Little Dieter Needs to Fly*. His place in cinema history is assured, and Paul Cronin's volume of dialogues provides a forum for Herzog's fascinating views on the things, ideas, and people that have preoccupied him for so many years.

A COMPANION TO WERNER HERZOG

John Wiley & Sons A Companion to Werner Herzog showcases over two dozen original scholarly essays examining nearly five decades of filmmaking by one of the most acclaimed and innovative figures in world cinema. First collection in twenty years dedicated to examining Herzog's expansive career Features essays by international scholars and Herzog specialists Addresses a broad spectrum of the director's films, from his earliest works such as Signs of Life and Fata Morgana to such recent films as The Bad Lieutenant and Encounters at the End of the World Offers creative, innovative approaches guided by film history, art history, and philosophy Includes a comprehensive filmography that also features a list of the director's acting appearances and opera productions Explores the director's engagement with music and the arts, his self-stylization as a global filmmaker, his Bavarian origins, and even his love-hate relationship with the actor Klaus Kinski

FORGOTTEN DREAMS

REVISITING ROMANTICISM IN THE CINEMA OF WERNER HERZOG

Boydell & Brewer Offers not only an analytical study of the films of Herzog, perhaps the most famous living German filmmaker, but also a new reading of Romanticism's impact beyond the nineteenth century and in the present.

FITZCARRALDO

Camden House German Film Class Revisits Herzog's classic film from a decisively contemporary standpoint, bringing into play the development of his filmmaking career.

THE ADVENTURES OF MAQROLL

FOUR NOVELLAS

Harpercollins Four novellas about the charismatic Maqroll follow him all over the world, finding gold in a South American mine, on a ship transporting Muslim pilgrims to Mecca, and back home caring for the son of a friend who died tragically.

FILM AFTER FILM

(OR, WHAT BECAME OF 21ST CENTURY CINEMA?)

Verso Books One of the world's most erudite and entertaining film critics on the state of cinema in the post-digital—and post-9/11—age. This witty and allusive book, in the style of classic film theorists/critics like André Bazin and Siegfried Kracauer, includes considerations of global cinema's most important figures and films, from Lars von Trier and Zia Jiangke to WALL-E, Avatar and Inception.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF WERNER HERZOG

Lexington Books Legendary director, actor, author, and provocateur Werner Herzog has incalculably influenced contemporary cinema for decades. Until now there has been no sustained effort to gather and present a variety of diverse philosophical approaches to his films and to the thinking behind their creation. The Philosophy of Werner Herzog, edited by M. Blake Wilson and Christopher Turner, collects fourteen essays by professional philosophers and film theorists from around the globe, who explore the famed German auteur's notions of "ecstatic truth" as opposed to "accountants' truth," his conception of nature and its penchant for "overwhelming and collective murder," his controversial film production techniques, his debts to his philosophical and aesthetic forebears, and finally, his pointed objections to his would-be critics—including, among others, the contributors to this book themselves. By probing how Herzog's thinking behind the camera is revealed in the action he captures in front of it, The Philosophy of Werner Herzog shines new light upon the images and dialog we see and hear on the screen by enriching our appreciation of a prolific--yet enigmatic--film artist.

KINSKI UNCUT

THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF KLAUS KINSKI

Penguin Group USA An international bestseller, Klaus Kinski's memoir has become a cult classic, telling the story of his fascinating life, from his tortured, poverty-stricken childhood in prewar Berlin to his

rise to international stardom as a film actor. Probably the most outrageous autobiography ever--less a memoir than a hyperbolically pornographic performance piece.--Newsweek. photos.

TELLING AND RE-TELLING STORIES

STUDIES ON LITERARY ADAPTATION TO FILM

Cambridge Scholars Publishing What is the relationship between literature and film? What is meant when speaking about "adapting" a literary work to the screen? Is it possible to adapt? And if so, how? Are there films that have "improved" their literary sources? Is adaptation a "translation" or, rather, a "re-interpretation"? What is the impact of adapting literary classics to a modern context? This collection of articles offers a comprehensive and authoritative study of literary adaptation to film which addresses these and other unresolved questions in the field of Literary Adaptation Studies. Within five different sections, the volume's international team of contributors offers valuable study cases, suggesting both the continuity and variety of adaptation theories. The first section traces recurring theoretical issues regarding the problems and challenges related to the adaptation of literary works to the particular nature and dynamics of cinema. The second and third parts focus on the specific problems and technical challenges of adapting theatre and narrative works to film and TV series respectively. The fourth section includes the study of Latin American authors whose works have been adapted to the screen. The fifth and final part of the book deals with the structures and devices that film directors use in order to tell stories. The art of telling and re-telling stories, which originated in ancient times, is present throughout this publication, giving shape to the discussion. Adaptations of stories are present everywhere in today's world, and their development is well told and re-told in this volume, which will definitely interest academics and researchers working in literature and film comparative studies, novelists, screenwriters, film makers, dramatists, theatre directors, postgraduate students, and those researching on topics related to the philosophy of art and aesthetics.

AESTHETIC TECHNOLOGIES OF MODERNITY, SUBJECTIVITY, AND NATURE

OPERA, ORCHESTRA, PHONOGRAPH, FILM

Univ of California Press Virginia Woolf famously claimed that, around December 1910, human character changed. *Aesthetic Technologies* addresses how music (especially opera), the phonograph, and film served as cultural agents facilitating the many extraordinary social, artistic, and cultural shifts that characterized the new century and much of what followed long thereafter, even to the present. Three tropes are central: the tensions and traumas—cultural, social, and personal—associated with modernity; changes in human subjectivity and its engagement and representation in music and film; and the more general societal impact of modern media, sound recording (the development of the phonograph in particular), and the critical role played by early-century opera recording. A principal focus of the book is the conflicted relationship in Western modernity to nature, particularly as nature is perceived in opposition to culture and articulated through music, film, and sound as agents of fundamental, sometimes shocking transformation. The book considers the sound/vision world of modernity filtered through the lens of aesthetic modernism and rapid technological change, and the impact of both, experienced with the prescient sense that there could be no turning back.

A CORMAC MCCARTHY COMPANION

THE BORDER TRILOGY

Univ. Press of Mississippi The first book to examine McCarthy's three masterpiece novels as a cohesive whole"

BITTER IS THE NEW BLACK

Hachette UK Jen Lancaster had the perfect man, the perfect job, the perfect life and there was no reason to think it wouldn't last. Or maybe there was, but Jen Lancaster was too busy being manicured, pedicured, and generally adored to notice. Fired from a Vice President sales job two weeks after September 11, she is forced to cope with the indignity of unemployment lines and the loss of her quarter million dollar salary, jewels and designer purses. Bitter? Absolutely. We follow Jen as she searches for jobs to the point of harassing headhunters and media figures. Her application letters are written with such wit and hilarity you wonder how she wasn't hired. We are at her marriage in Vegas; the adoption of two dogs; her search for a new, less expensive apartment; and weight gain. We journey with her through her initial high point of confident, well-paid employment, through the lows of drinking cask wine and the reality of possible eviction, and back to the relative high solvency and discovery of a new career. Jen slowly changes from a self-absorbed, self-involved, selfish yuppie to a frugal, more self-aware and self-assured person. Her stylish road map to ruin and back will resonate with those who wish they were rich and also those who sometimes wish that the rich could become poor. Filled with caustic wit and unusual insight, BITTER IS THE NEW BLACK is a rollicking read as speedy and unpredictable as the trajectory of a burst balloon.

HOLLYWOOD HELLRAISERS

THE WILD LIVES AND FAST TIMES OF MARLON BRANDO, DENNIS HOPPER, WARREN BEATTY AND JACK NICHOLSON

Random House 'I don't know what people expect when they meet me. They seem to be afraid that I'm going to piss in the potted palm and slap them on the ass.' Marlon Brando 'I should have been dead ten times over. I believe in miracles. It's an absolute miracle that I'm still around.' Dennis Hopper 'The best time to get married is noon. That way, if things don't work out, you haven't blown the whole day.' Warren Beatty 'You only lie to two people in your life: your girlfriend and the police.' Jack Nicholson They're the baddest bad asses Hollywood has ever seen: Marlon Brando, Dennis Hopper, Warren Beatty and Jack Nicholson. These are men for whom rules did not apply, men for whom normal standards of behaviour were simply too wearisome to worry about. These are men who brawled, boozed, snorted and shagged their way into legend-hood - but along the way they changed acting and the way movies were made forever. *Hollywood Hellraisers* is a whistle-stop tour of jaw-dropping sexual activity, misbehaviour of an Olympic standard, all-out excess and genuine madness. It's a wonder Hollywood survived.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF WAR FILMS

University Press of Kentucky Wars have played a momentous role in shaping the course of human history. The ever-present specter of conflict has made it an enduring topic of interest in popular culture, and many movies, from Hollywood blockbusters to independent films, have sought to show the complexities and horrors of war on-screen. In *The Philosophy of War Films*, David LaRocca compiles a series of essays by prominent scholars that examine the impact of representing war in film and the influence that cinematic images of battle have on human consciousness, belief, and action. The contributors explore a variety of topics, including the aesthetics of war as portrayed on-screen, the effect war has on personal identity, and the ethical problems presented by war. Drawing upon analyses of iconic and critically acclaimed war films such as *Saving Private Ryan* (1998), *The Thin Red Line* (1998), *Rescue Dawn* (2006), *Restrepo* (2010), and *Zero Dark Thirty* (2012), this volume's examination of the genre creates new ways of thinking about the philosophy of war. A fascinating look at the manner in which combat and its aftermath are depicted cinematically, *The Philosophy of War Films* is a timely and engaging read for any philosopher, filmmaker, reader, or viewer who desires a deeper understanding of war and its representation in popular culture.

HERZOG BY EBERT

University of Chicago Press "Roger Ebert was an influential film critic in the United States, and the first to win a Pulitzer Prize. For almost fifty years, he wrote with plainspoken eloquence about films for the *Chicago Sun-Times*. Ebert had particular admiration for the work of director Werner Herzog, whom he first encountered at the New York Film Festival in 1968, the start of a long and productive relationship between the filmmaker and the film critic. *Herzog by Ebert* is a comprehensive collection of Ebert's writings about the legendary director, featuring all of his reviews of individual films, as well as longer essays he wrote for his *Great Movies* series. The book also brings together other essays, letters, and interviews, including a letter Ebert wrote Herzog upon learning of the dedication to him of 'Encounters at the End of the World,' a multifaceted profile written at the 1982 Cannes Film Festival; and an interview with Herzog at *Facet's Multimedia* in 1979. Herzog himself contributes a foreword in which he discusses his relationship with Ebert." -- Provided by the publisher.

ABEL GANCE AND THE END OF SILENT CINEMA

SOUNDING OUT UTOPIA

Springer This book explores the creation and destruction of Abel Gance's most ambitious film project, and seeks to explain why his meteoric career was so nearly extinguished at the end of silent cinema. By 1929, Gance was France's most famous director. Acclaimed for his technical innovation and visual imagination, he was also admonished for the excessive length and expense of his productions. Gance's first sound film, *La Fin du Monde* (1930), was a critical and financial disaster so great that it nearly destroyed his career. But what went wrong? Gance claimed it was commercial sabotage whilst critics blamed the director's inexperience with new technology. Neither excuse is satisfactory. Based on extensive archival research, this book re-investigates the cultural background and aesthetic consequences of Gance's transition from silent filmmaking to sound cinema. *La Fin du Monde* is revealed to be only one element of an extraordinary cultural project to transform cinema into a universal religion and propagate its power through the League of Nations. From unfinished films to unrealized social revolutions, the reader is given a fascinating tour of Gance's lost cinematic utopia.

LAST EVENINGS ON EARTH

New Directions Publishing Fourteen dark tales about the tragic qualities of exile feature protagonists who are struggling with marginal lives and private, often ill-fated, quests, in a collection set in the Chilean exile diaspora of Latin America and Europe. Reprint.

SEVEN KEYS TO IMAGINATION

CREATING THE FUTURE BY IMAGINING THE UNTHINKABLE AND DELIVERING IT

Marshall Cavendish International Asia Pte Ltd As a radically new world emerges from one of the deepest global crises in living memory, individuals, teams, organizations and even entire countries will feel the urge to reinvent themselves in order to fit in. They will need to apply their imagination - their capacity to dream - and to pursue those dreams with determination.

WITH THE NEXT MAN EVERYTHING WILL BE DIFFERENT

Random House Incorporated Dissatisfied with her relationship with her boyfriend, Constance Wechselburger, a graduate film student, embarks on a disheartening, confusing quest in search of her vision of the ideal intellectual mate

JEWISH VOICES, GERMAN WORDS

GROWING UP JEWISH IN POSTWAR GERMANY AND AUSTRIA

Young Jews who grew up in postwar Germany and Austria describe their conflicting emotions.

FOCUS ON: 100 MOST POPULAR ENGLISH-LANGUAGE FILM DIRECTORS

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CAIN'S BOOK

Grove Press A Beat-era novel of heroin addiction in 1950s New York City that was called "a treasure" by Ken Kesey. This is the journal of Joe Necchi, a junkie living on a barge that plies the rivers and bays of New York. Joe's world is the half-world of drugs and addicts—the world of furtive fixes in sordid Harlem apartments, of police pursuits down deserted subway stations. Junk for Necchi, however, is a tool, freely chosen and fully justified; he is Cain, the malcontent, the profligate, the rebel who lives by no one's rules but his own. Author Alexander Trocchi's muse was drugs—but in this novel, he does not romanticize the source of his inspiration. If the experience of heroin, of the "fix," is central to Cain's Book, both its destructive force and the possibilities it holds for creativity are recognized and accepted without apology. "The classic of the late-1950s account of heroin addiction . . . An un-self-forgiving existentialism, rendered with writerly exactness and muscularity, set this novel apart from all others of the genre." —William S. Burroughs, author of *Naked Lunch*

RACHEL HARRISON LIFE HACK

Yale University Press "The work of the sculptor Rachel Harrison is both the zeitgeist and the least digestible in contemporary art. It may also be the most important, owing to an originality that breaks a prevalent spell in an art world of recycled genres, styles, and ideas."--Peter Schjeldahl, *The New Yorker* In her sculptures, room-sized installations, drawings, photographs, and artist's books, Rachel Harrison (b. 1966) delves into themes of celebrity culture, pop psychology, history, and politics. This publication, created in close collaboration with the artist, explores twenty-five years of her practice and is the first comprehensive monograph on Harrison in nearly a decade. Its centerpiece is an in-depth plate section, which doubles as a chronology of Harrison's major works, series, and exhibitions. Objects are illustrated with multiple views and details, and accompanied by short texts. This thorough approach elucidates Harrison's complicated, eclectic oeuvre--in which she integrates found materials with handmade sculptural elements, upends traditions of museum display, and injects quotidian objects with a sense of strangeness. Six accompanying essays cover Harrison's earliest works to her most recent output. The book also includes a handful of photo-collages that the artist created specifically for this project. Published here for the first time, these pieces superimpose found images with reproductions of Harrison's own past work.

GOEBBELS

Constable Limited

THROUGH THE ARC OF THE RAIN FOREST

Coffee House Press Yamashita “blends the . . . surrealism of Garcia Marquez, bizarre science fiction . . . à la Stanislaw Lem, and a gift for satirizing . . . that recalls Heller of *Catch-22*” (Publishers Weekly). This freewheeling black comedy features a bizarre cast of characters, including a Japanese man with a ball floating six inches in front of his head, an American CEO with three arms, and a Brazilian peasant who discovers the art of healing by tickling one’s earlobe with a feather. By the end of this hilarious tale, they each have risen to the heights of wealth and fame, before arriving at disasters—both personal and ecological— that destroy the rain forest and all birds of Brazil. “Fluid and poetic as well as terrifying.” —New York Times Book Review “Dazzling . . . A seamless mixture of magic realism, satire and futuristic fiction.” —San Francisco Chronicle “Impressive . . . A flight of fancy through a dreamlike Brazil.” —Village Voice “Surreal and misty, sweeping from one high-voltage scene to another.” —LA Weekly “Amuses and frightens at the same time.” —Newsday “Incisive and funny, this book yanks our chains and makes us see the absurdity that rules our world.” —Booklist (starred review) “Expansive and ambitious . . . Incredible and complicated.” —Library Journal

HARDBARNED! ONE MAN'S QUEST FOR MEANINGFUL WORK IN THE AMERICAN SOUTH

Hillcrest Publishing Group Overeducated and underemployed? In love with learning but stumped on how to translate it into a paycheck? Desperately striving to make your seemingly useless liberal arts education work for you in any sort of satisfying or meaningful way? Trying to simultaneously engage your interests, skillset and values and still pay the bills while pleading for another student loan deferment? I feel your pain and have stories to share, but if you're looking for inspirational uplift, self-help or a life coach, please look elsewhere. HARDBARNED! One Man's Quest for Meaningful Work in the American South is a darkly comic, brutally honest and introspective memoir about working for a living--without being able to shake the feeling that there has got to be more to it than that.

INTIMATE FRONTIERS

A LITERARY GEOGRAPHY OF THE AMAZON

American Tropics Towards a Lit A collection of multinational scholarly contributions on various cultural aspects of the Amazon region in the 20th century.

FASSBINDER'S GERMANY

HISTORY, IDENTITY, SUBJECT

Amsterdam University Press Rainer Werner Fassbinder is one of the most prominent and important authors of post-war European cinema. Thomas Elsaesser is the first to write a thoroughly analytical study of his work. He stresses the importance of a closer understanding of Fassbinder's career through a re-reading of his films as textual entities. Approaching the work from different thematic and analytical perspectives, Elsaesser offers both an overview and a number of detailed readings of crucial films, while also providing a European context for Fassbinder's own coming to terms with fascism.

THE FRUIT THIEF

OR, ONE-WAY JOURNEY INTO THE INTERIOR: A NOVEL

Farrar, Straus and Giroux A major new novel from the Nobel laureate Peter Handke—one of his most inventive and dazzlingly original works On a summer day under a blue sky a man is stung on his foot by a bee. “The sting signaled that the time had come to set out, to hit the road. Off with you. The hour of departure has arrived.” The man boards a train to Paris, crosses the city by Métro, then boards another, disembarking in a small town on the plains to the north. He is searching for a young woman he calls the Fruit Thief, who, like him, has set off on a journey to the Vexin plateau. What follows is a vivid but dreamlike exploration of topography both physical and affective, charting the Fruit Thief’s perambulations across France’s internal borderlands: alongside rivers and through ravines, beside highways and to a bolt-hole under the stairs of an empty hotel. Chance encounters—with a man scrambling through the underbrush in search of his lost cat, and with a delivery boy who abandons his scooter to become a fellow traveler for a day—are like so many throws of the dice, each exposing new facets of this mysterious individual in the manner of a cubist portrait. In prose of unrivaled precision, lucidly rendered into English by Krishna Winston, *The Fruit Thief* elevates the terrain of everyday life to epic status, and situates the microgeography of an individual at the center of a book like few others. This is one of Nobel laureate Peter Handke’s most significant and original achievements.

WORLD CINEMA AND THE ETHICS OF REALISM

A&C Black A sweeping study of world cinema, illustrating how its creative peaks stem from the urge to reveal otherwise hidden political and social dimensions of reality. >

THE VIRGINIA QUARTERLY REVIEW

DIVE DEEPER

JOURNEYS WITH MOBY-DICK

Oxford University Press An easy-to-navigate guide to Herman Melville's epic American novel, Dive Deeper consists of 135 brief chapters, along with Etymology, Extracts, and Epilogue, each keyed to a phrase, issue, image, sensibility or notion in corresponding chapters of the original.

ARCHITECTURE

CHANGING SPATIAL TRANSITIONS BETWEEN CONTEXT, CONSTRUCTION AND HUMAN ACTIVITIES

Springer Nature The question of what architecture is answered in this book with one sentence: Architecture is space created for human activities. The basic need to find food and water places these activities within a larger spatial field. Humans have learned and found ways to adjust to the various contextual difficulties that they faced as they roamed the earth. Thus rather than adapting, humans have always tried to change the context to their activities. Humanity has looked at the context not merely as a limitation, but rather as a spatial situation filled with opportunities that allows, through intellectual interaction, to change these limitations. Thus humanity has created within the world their own contextual bubble that firmly stands against the larger context it is set in. The key notion of the book is that architecture is space carved out of and against the context and that this process is deterministic.

DIVE DEEPER

JOURNEYS WITH MOBY-DICK

Oxford University Press Moby-Dick looms large - gargantuan in size, themes, symbols, and influence. Its deep dives, comedic interludes, adventurous journey, and surface effects demand a new approach. Instead of a traditional academic analysis, Dive Deeper grapples in novel fashion with this classic work. For each of the original's 135 chapters (along with Etymology, Extracts, and Epilogue), Dive Deeper has a corresponding brief chapter relating to themes and issues in the original. This permits Dive Deeper to follow the flow of the original and to bring forth new appreciation for the novel, its characters, and its readers. At once creative and informative, Dive Deeper captures the up and down history of the novel, from its original reception to its resurrection in the 1890s, to its becoming the central work in the canon of American literature in the 1930s. Great books such as Moby-Dick live outside the confines of libraries. They occupy a central place in popular culture. Thus, Dive Deeper tracks the novel as it appears in various motion pictures (more than five major ones to date), comic routines and jokes, paintings, novels, songs (from rock to classical to rap), and in other cultural forms. In the process, Dive Deeper charts how, and why, this novel about a whale and its pursuer has captivated generations of American readers. And why it continues to do so today. Dive Deeper, then, is a creative and original way of approaching a great novel. Readers will gain information and a deeper understanding of an American classic and its place in popular culture.
