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Vibrant, splendidly hued, and charming beyond compare, the work of Disney designer and illustrator Mary Blair is more than just acclaimed—it is adored. She has charmed generations with her whimsical creations, from stunning art direction for Cinderella and Peter Pan to the wowing and wonderful “It’s a Small World” ride at Disneyland. *Magic Color Flair* celebrates this Disney icon, tracing the evolution of her mesmerizing style and showcasing her work in gorgeous, full-color imagery. Curated by award-winning animation director and designer, John Canemaker, the *Magic Color Flair* is an authoritative celebration of Blair’s life work. From her precocious paintings she made while studying at the renowned Chouinard Art Institute, to her concept drawings for Disney films, to her treasured Golden Books, delightful advertisements and large-scale installations. With annotations about her artistic process, *Magic Color Flair* gives readers an inside look to her bold and

lively artistic process that yielded such loveable, and memorable work. While at art school, Blair developed a dynamic style that emphasized drama and emotion. Her gift for visual storytelling caught the eye of Walt Disney himself, who loved her bold graphics, sophisticated whimsicality, and eye-catching use of color and who became a lifelong friend and champion of her work. This book accompanies the Walt Disney Family Museum’s 2014 Mary Blair exhibit of the same title.

The Art of Walt Disney HarperCollins

This deluxe slipcased two-volume set is an insider’s tour of twenty years of film-making magic at Weta Workshop and Weta Digital, the creative companies behind such celebrated films as *The Lord of the Rings*, *Avatar*, *The Avengers*, *King Kong*, *District 9* and *The Hobbit*. Brimming with never-before-published content, including concept designs, sketches, making of and behind-the-scenes imagery, along with interview material from cast and crew members, it is a stunning look at how the costumes, creatures and characters, weaponry, and visual effects are created for some of the world’s most iconic films. A director will

have a vision in their head of the kind of movie they want to create but they always need great teams to realise that vision. This is what Weta Workshop and Weta Digital do. Based in Wellington, New Zealand, these two companies, founded by Peter Jackson, Jamie Selkirk, Tania Rodger and Richard Taylor have been an integral part of some of the most ground-breaking and acclaimed movies of all time.

The Art of Castle in the Sky Random House Digital, Inc.

This book follows the hybrid and contradictory history of magic realism through the writings of three key figures – art historian Franz Roh, novelist Alejo Carpentier, and cultural critic Fredric Jameson – drawing links between their political, aesthetic, and philosophical ideas on art's relationship to reality. Magic realism is vast in scope, spanning almost a century, and is often confused with neighbouring styles of literature or art, most notably surrealism. The fascinating conditions of modernist Europe are complex and contradictory, a spirit that magic realism has taken on as it travels far and wide. The filmmakers and writers in this book acknowledge the importance of feeling, atmosphere, and mood to subtly provoke and resist global capitalism. Theirs is the history of magic-realist cinema. The book explores this history through the modernist avant-garde in search of a new theory of cinematic magic realism. It uncovers a resistant, geopolitical form of world cinema – moving from Europe, through Latin America and the former Soviet Union, to Thailand – that emerges from these ideas. This book is invaluable to any reader interested in world modernism(s) in relation to contemporary cinema and geopolitics. Its sustained analysis of film as a

sensory, intermedial medium is of interest to scholars working across the visual arts, literature, critical theory, and film-philosophy.

From the Films of Harry Potter: Mini Book of Spells and Charms Plume

Filmmaking Can be a Complicated and Risky Adventure, but it doesn't have to be, Making the Magic Happen shows you why directing a movie is actually simpler than you think. The trick? Learn the craft of filmmaking first, and then apply your creative signature. The most empowering book of its kind, Making the Magic Happen demystifies every aspect of film directing by demonstrating what you must team about the craft before pursuing the art. Book jacket.

Making the Magic Happen Random House

Since the debut of Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone, the Harry Potter film franchise has become one of the most popular and successful in the world. Beautifully crafted and presented in a deluxe, large-format with lavish production values, these pages present a visual chronicle of the work by artists and filmmakers to bring the wizarding world to life onscreen. Bursting with hundreds of rare and unpublished works of art, including production paintings, concept sketches, storyboards, blueprints, and more, this collectible book is the definitive tome on the visual legacy of the Harry Potter films. Fans will recognize beloved characters, creatures, locations, and more as they embark on a journey through the wizarding world, from Gringotts to the Quidditch pitch.

The Art of My Little Pony: The Movie Weldon Owen

Tells the story of Jack Cardiff's life in films, first as a cameraman and then as a director.

Industrial Light [and] & Magic VIZ Media

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Go behind the scenes of Cartoon Network's highly anticipated film with this unique art book! This magical deep-dive into *Steven Universe The Movie* is designed by Ryan Sands (Frontier) in conjunction with *Steven Universe* creator Rebecca Sugar! See preliminary character designs, witness the formation of settings and storyboards, and discover the art that shaped the full-length movie! It's a new kind of artistic adventure with Garnet, Amethyst, Pearl, and--of course--Steven.

A House Made of Light Harry N. Abrams Meet the magnificent creatures and fantastic beasts of J.K. Rowling's *Wizarding World*. Thunderbirds and Nifflers, house-elves and Hippogriffs—J.K. Rowling's *Wizarding World* abounds with magical creatures of all kinds. But how does a Bowtruckle come to life on the big screen? Is an Occamy a snake or a bird? And what's the truth about Mooncalf poop? Featuring detailed creature profiles, stunning artwork, and captivating insights from the making of *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them* and all eight *Harry Potter* films, these pages reveal everything fans want to know about how these creatures were created. Jam-packed with bonus material—pop-ups, lift-the-flaps, removable posters, and other goodies—this book offers young readers a thrilling backstage pass to the wizarding world.

Weta Workshop Prentice Hall

"Once a guarded cinematic secret, this definitive history reveals for the first time the art and craft of Hollywood's hand painted-backdrops, and pays homage to the scenic artists who brought them to the big screen." -- Slipcase.

Reel Magicians Random House Digital,

Inc.

An insider's tour of twenty years of movie-making magic at Weta Digital - a stunning look at visual effects are created for the world's most iconic films. A talented director with the right cinematography crew may see in his or her head exactly the movie he wants to make. But to realize that vision he must have the right visual effects. These are exactly what the geniuses at Weta Digital provide. Movies featured include: *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy *Avatar* *The Hobbit* trilogy *The Avengers* *Prometheus* *District 9* *The Adventures of Tintin* *King Kong* *The Chronicles of Narnia* *Rise of the Planet of the Apes* *Elysium* (premiering this August 2013. Directed by Neil Blomkamp of *District 9* fame) **Of Mice and Magic** George Eastman House

The way that special effects are designed and then created in films is explained in this lavishly illustrated book that traces the development of the ILM company of George Lucas.

The Art of Steven Universe: The Movie Rizzoli International Publications

When the lights go down and the film starts to roll, we give ourselves over to the magic of movies. But as George Toles observes, what we experience in this house of light may strike closer to home than we imagine. In eleven essays, Toles combines aesthetic inquiry with a psychology of spectatorship to illuminate the dialogue between sentiment and irony that unfolds in every good movie. Reflecting a literary critic's and professional screenwriter's ongoing love affair with cinema, each essay plunges the reader into the experience of one or more films, inviting us to ponder the nature and implications of that experience. Toles considers a wide variety of film experience, from

Frank Capra to the Coen brothers to Alfred Hitchcock. However escapist a trip to the movies might be, says Toles, there is no escaping some version of "home" in every film experience. Toles examines important homes--from the cottage in *Random Harvest* to the foreboding Bates house in *Psycho*--to suggest that the house of film is a frame we long to enter in the spirit of homecoming but one that we cannot possess any more securely than the lost home of our beginnings. As film study marks a return to art-centered criticism, *A House Made of Light* breaks new ground in its assessment of the creation--and enjoyment--of movies.

Industrial Light & Magic Techniques of the Moving Image

Traces the career of the beloved cartoonist while exploring the diverse artistic and cinematographic techniques used to make his animated and live action films

Reading the Silver Screen Simon and Schuster

Go behind the scenes with this miniature guide to the spells and charms of the wizarding world, as seen in the beloved Harry Potter films. From *Expelliarmus* to *Expecto Patronum* to the three Unforgivable Curses, *Harry Potter: Mini Book of Spells and Charms* explores the off-screen magic that brought the on-screen incantations of the wizarding world to life. Part of a continuing line of palm-size Harry Potter art books, this newest miniature book allows fans to dig deeper into the magic of Harry Potter through concept illustrations, unit photography, and production notes on spells featured in the films.

[Magic Realism, World Cinema, and the Avant-Garde](#) Wayne State University Press

Why are films by Sergei Eisenstein,

Orson Welles, Akira Kurosawa or Stanley Kubrick works of art? What elements of style and film technique are involved? What is vital to their personal vision?

Here is everything you need to know about feature cinema: the films which have withstood the test of time and are well worth watching today, although many have been unjustly neglected.

These are books for film buffs (or for the simply curious) as well as a reliable reference work for students taking film and media courses. The first volume

chronologically discusses 410 films from all over the world made in 1913-1950

and the second volume 451 films made in 1951-1963, giving the most correct credits to be found anywhere (superior to any single Internet database or printed source) preserving the diacritical signs in every language and giving

correct running times. There is a synopsis of the most important events in cinema history and extensive footnotes explaining various terms as well as

giving information about people and historical events mentioned in the text. No previous expertise is assumed and the information should be equally

accessible to people without an extensive background in European, Asian or American culture. The individual

essays always set each film in its historical context, outlining contemporary trends and styles in literature and the visual arts. This is a

work of original film criticism, as well as a reference source. When read in order, the essays amount to an account of the

development of individual directors, movements and indeed cinema history itself. The relative newness of the art of cinema makes it possible to discuss the

entire key opus of feature-length films in a text of reasonable length. In a few years' time, this will no longer be

possible: until the Second World War no more than approximately twenty truly valuable films were being made worldwide each year, by the late 1950s their number exceeded forty and is now at least sixty. The book is intended both as a look at cinema as a whole and a description of individual works which have not become devalued with the passage of time.

The Art of Harry Potter National Geographic Books

Color on the motion picture screen.

Glorious Technicolor Simon and Schuster

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Magic Hour Taylor Ellwood

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iconic films.

The Magic of Art Dark Horse Comics

"Reel Magicians is a one-of-a-kind movie guide for aficionados of film and/or magic: expertly-written reviews of all movies featuring magician characters-as stars, in pivotal character parts, or through powerful symbolic presences.

"But, a caveat! The dazzling celluloid illusions may indeed depict extraordinary artistry, but they must also comply with the laws of physics!"

"Weissenberger is the only creative scholar who could have authored this book. A delightfully dexterous magician of consummate skill, he edited *The Protection of Magicians' Secrets* (The World Alliance of Magicians, 2002), served as legal counsel to both WAM and The International Brotherhood of Magicians, taught graduate-level film courses, and chaired The Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky Film Commission. And, as a former law school dean, and a nationally-renowned authority in legal evidence, psychiatry, and forensic psychology, he brings unique insights to magic moviemaking!"

"Reel Magicians is an invaluable movie review guide that belongs on every movie buff's and magician's bookshelf!"

Ken Klosterman, Member, Board of Trustees and Past President (1995-96), The International Brotherhood of Magicians; author, *Salon de Magie* (2006) Whether you're an admirer of real-life illusionists such as Houdini, the Amazing Kreskin, the Blackstones (and more), who is eager to find the best film performances of stage magic, daring escapes, feats of mentalism (and more) ... Or an ardent movie fan curious why magic captivates our most acclaimed filmmakers, from Martin Scorsese, to Woody Allen, to Brian De Palma, to Ingmar Bergman (and more) ... Or you

just love Hollywood gossip! Who couldn't get his magician movie greenlit without a little help from his A-List celebrity father? How did Allen treat his actors? (and more) ... You'll love Reel Magicians! Everything You Want In a Magic Movie Review Reference Guide! Expert capsule movie entries (The Duds!), as well as probing, often critical, evaluations (The Must-Sees!) of classic, obscure, and modern films! A synopsis of each one, full movie credits, and any domestic or foreign film awards! Insider details of the magic performed, and analyses of the magician characters! Cleverly interwoven critical reviews from the movie's film festival circuit tour, its theatrical runs (Roger Ebert, the New York Times, and more), as well responses from later video, DVD, or cable releases (Rotten Tomatoes, IMDb, and more)! Is this a brilliant screenplay adaptation-or an original script that tanks? Are there lush production values (cinematography, musical scores)? Which magical movies cross genres into film noir, horror, or sprinkle in some British humor? Have any become cult classics over time? Which are suitable family fare? Is this one a light-hearted comedy or a complex psychological drama? And where can you find these films? Reel Magicians answers all of the above (and MORE)! Featured Bonus! Woody Allen's The Floating Light Bulb on Broadway! Add to the annals of magic lore this richly-researched, never-before-published article in which the author traces Harry Blackstone Sr.'s creation of "the floating lightbulb" to Blackstone Jr.'s performing his father's crowd-pleasing effect in his Magnificent Musical Magic

Show, to Allen's play of 1981. Only here, do Light Bulb's Tony-winning star, Brian Backer; its magical director, Robert Aberdeen; and Gay Blackstone, widow of Blackstone Jr., share personal memories of Woody Allen and his Light Bulb with Weissenberger!

The Art of the Hollywood Backdrop
Disney Press

A spectacular and comprehensive authorized retrospective of Oscar-winning visual effects master Phil Tippett, founder and namesake of iconic Tippett Studio From Star Wars to Jurassic Park and RoboCop to Starship Troopers, special effects master Phil Tippett has brought his magic to some of the most iconic films of all time. His unparalleled career in visual effects spans more than 40 years, with two Academy Awards, one BAFTA, and two Emmys. This stunning book celebrates Tippett's career, from early Super 8 explorations through his groundbreaking work with Industrial Light & Magic, DreamWorks, and beyond. While Tippett's first love remains the stop-motion animation that made him a Hollywood legend, he was present at the birth of big-screen digital effects, and his genius has evolved with the times. In 1984 he founded Tippett Studio, which has come to specialize in digital effects. Packed with over a thousand behind-the-scenes photographs, Mad Dreams and Monsters includes never-before-published stories from the master himself and a veritable who's who of visual effects luminaries—a must-have for movie fans, film students, and anyone who's ever been captivated by movie magic.