DESCRIPTION

The 34 essays of this collection by leading international scholars reassess Truffaut's impact on cinema as they locate the unique quality of his thematic obsessions and his remarkable narrative techniques. Almost 30 years after his death, we are presented with strikingly original perspectives on his background, influences, and importance. Bridges a gap in film scholarship with a series of 34 original essays by leading film scholars that assess the lasting impact of Truffaut's work

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• Includes an extended interview with French filmmaker Arnaud Desplechin concerning Truffaut's shifting stature in French film culture and his manner of thought and work as a director
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