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**Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2006**

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Wondering if the world is really going to hell in a handbasket? Then consider Roger Ebert's e-book original 33 Movies to Restore Your Faith in Humanity. Read Roger's full-length reviews of movies and rekindle your belief in the human spirit.

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*Roger Ebert's Video Companion* Andrews McMeel Pub

A paragon of cinema criticism for decades, Roger Ebert—with his humor, sagacity, and no-nonsense thumb—achieved a renown unlikely ever to be equaled. His tireless commentary has been greatly missed since his death, but, thankfully, in addition to his

mountains of daily reviews, Ebert also left behind a legacy of lyrical long-form writing. And with *Two Weeks in the Midday Sun*, we get a glimpse not only into Ebert the man, but also behind the scenes of one of the most glamorous and peculiar of cinematic rituals: the Cannes Film Festival. More about people than movies, this book is an intimate, quirky, and witty account of the parade of personalities attending the 1987 festival—Ebert's twelfth, and the fortieth anniversary of the event. A wonderful raconteur with an excellent sense of pacing, Ebert presents lighthearted ruminations on his daily routine and computer troubles alongside more serious reflection on directors such as Fellini and Coppola, screenwriters like Charles Bukowski, actors such as

Isabella Rossellini and John Malkovich, the very American press agent and social maverick Billy "Silver Dollar" Baxter, and the stylishly plunging necklines of yore. He also comments on the trajectory of the festival itself and the "enormous happiness" of sitting, anonymous and quiet, in an ordinary French café. And, of course, he talks movies. Illustrated with Ebert's charming sketches of the festival and featuring both a new foreword by Martin Scorsese and a new postscript by Ebert about an eventful 1997 dinner with Scorsese at Cannes, *Two Weeks in the Midday Sun* is a small treasure, a window onto the mind of this connoisseur of criticism and satire, a man always so funny, so unphony, so completely, unabashedly himself.

*A Horrible Experience of Unbearable Length* Andrews McMeel Publishing Presents a collection of the critic's most positive film reviews of the last four decades, arranged alphabetically from "About Last Night" to "Zodiac."

*The Little Book of Hollywood Clichés*  
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What was in the briefcase in *Pulp Fiction*? Why don't movie actors wear seat belts? Was *Fargo* really based on a true story? Pulitzer Prize-winning film critic Roger Ebert answers these and hundreds more. Using wit, insight, and dozens of other experts, he resolves some of the most common questions about the movies and some of the most bizarre.

*Two Weeks in the Midday Sun* Andrews McMeel Publishing

A collection of essays, drawn from film critic Roger Ebert's column "The Great Movies," in which he presents his critical appreciation for one hundred movies he judges to be among the best of all time. The Great Movies III Virgin Books Limited

When America wants to know movies, it turns to Roger Ebert, the only film critic to be awarded the Pulitzer Prize for criticism. Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2002 presents all of Ebert's reviews from January 1999 to mid-June 2001. This annual volume-required reading for film fans-also contains all of his interviews and essays for the year, the biweekly "Questions for the Movie Answer Man," his daily notebooks from major film festivals, plus a list of all movies and star ratings ever appearing in an edition of this annual collection.

Four-Star Movies Andrews McMeel Publishing

Roger Ebert is the best-known film critic of our time. He has been reviewing films for the Chicago Sun-Times since 1967, and was the first film critic ever to win a Pulitzer Prize. He has appeared on television for four decades, including twenty-three years as cohost of Siskel & Ebert at the Movies. In 2006, complications from thyroid cancer treatment resulted in the loss of his ability to eat, drink, or speak. But with the loss of his voice, Ebert has only become a more prolific and influential writer. And now, for the first time, he tells the full, dramatic story of his life and career. Roger Ebert's journalism carried him on a path far from his nearly idyllic childhood in Urbana, Illinois. It is a

journey that began as a reporter for his local daily, and took him to Chicago, where he was unexpectedly given the job of film critic for the Sun-Times, launching a lifetime's adventures. In this candid, personal history, Ebert chronicles it all: his loves, losses, and obsessions; his struggle and recovery from alcoholism; his marriage; his politics; and his spiritual beliefs. He writes about his years at the Sun-Times, his colorful newspaper friends, and his life-changing collaboration with Gene Siskel. He remembers his friendships with Studs Terkel, Mike Royko, Oprah Winfrey, and Russ Meyer (for whom he wrote *Beyond the Valley of the Dolls* and an ill-fated Sex Pistols movie). He shares his insights into movie stars and directors like John Wayne, Werner

Herzog, and Martin Scorsese. This is a story that only Roger Ebert could tell. Filled with the same deep insight, dry wit, and sharp observations that his readers have long cherished, this is more than a memoir—it is a singular, warm-hearted, inspiring look at life itself. "I believe that if, at the end, according to our abilities, we have done something to make others a little happier, and something to make ourselves a little happier, that is about the best we can do. To make others less happy is a crime. To make ourselves unhappy is where all crime starts. We must try to contribute joy to the world. That is true no matter what our problems, our health, our circumstances. We must try. I didn't always know this, and am happy I lived long enough to find it out." -from

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**Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2005**

Andrews Mcmeel+ORM

A collection of some of the Pulitzer Prize-winning film critic's most scathing reviews, from Alex & Emma to the remake of Yours, Mine, and Ours. From Roger's review of Deuce Bigalow: European Gigolo (0 stars): "The movie created a spot of controversy in February 2005. According to a story by Larry Carroll of MTV News, Rob Schneider took offense when Patrick Goldstein of the Los Angeles Times listed this year's Best Picture nominees and wrote that they were 'ignored, unloved, and turned down flat by most of the same studios that . . . bankroll hundreds of sequels, including a follow-up to Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo, a film that

was sadly overlooked at Oscar time because apparently nobody had the foresight to invent a category for Best Running Penis Joke Delivered by a Third-Rate Comic.' Schneider retaliated by attacking Goldstein in full-page ads in Daily Variety and the Hollywood Reporter. In an open letter to Goldstein, Schneider wrote: "Well, Mr. Goldstein, I decided to do some research to find out what awards you have won. I went online and found that you have won nothing. Absolutely nothing. No journalistic awards of any kind . . . Maybe you didn't win a Pulitzer Prize because they haven't invented a category for Best Third-Rate, Unfunny Pompous Reporter Who's Never Been Acknowledged by His Peers . . . ." Schneider was nominated for a 2000 Razzie Award for Worst

Supporting Actor but lost to Jar-Jar Binks. But Schneider is correct, and Patrick Goldstein has not yet won a Pulitzer Prize. Therefore, Goldstein is not qualified to complain that Columbia financed Deuce Bigalow: European Gigolo while passing on the opportunity to participate in Million Dollar Baby, Ray, The Aviator, Sideways, and Finding Neverland. As chance would have it, I have won the Pulitzer Prize, and so I am qualified. Speaking in my official capacity as a Pulitzer Prize winner, Mr. Schneider, your movie sucks." Roger Ebert's *I Hated Hated Hated This Movie*, which gathered some of his most scathing reviews, was a bestseller. This collection continues the tradition, reviewing not only movies that were at the bottom of the barrel, but also movies

that he found underneath the barrel. *Kiss is Still a Kiss* Bloomsbury Publishing USA  
From America's most trusted and highly visible film critic, 100 more brilliant essays on the films that define cinematic greatness. Continuing the pitch-perfect critiques begun in *The Great Movies*, Roger Ebert's *The Great Movies II* collects 100 additional essays, each one of them a gem of critical appreciation and an amalgam of love, analysis, and history that will send readers back to films with a fresh set of eyes and renewed enthusiasm—or perhaps to an avid first-time viewing. Neither a snob nor a shill, Ebert manages in these essays to combine a truly populist appreciation for today's most important form of popular art with a scholar's

erudition and depth of knowledge and a sure aesthetic sense. Once again wonderfully enhanced by stills selected by Mary Corliss, former film curator at the Museum of Modern Art, *The Great Movies II* is a treasure trove for film lovers of all persuasions, an unrivaled guide for viewers, and a book to return to again and again. Films featured in *The Great Movies II* 12 Angry Men · The Adventures of Robin Hood · Alien · Amadeus · Amarcord · Annie Hall · Au Hasard, Balthazar · The Bank Dick · Beat the Devil · Being There · The Big Heat · The Birth of a Nation · The Blue Kite · Bob le Flambeur · Breathless · The Bridge on the River Kwai · Bring Me the Head of Alfredo García · Buster Keaton · Children of Paradise · A Christmas Story · The Color Purple · The Conversation ·

Cries and Whispers · The Discreet Charm of the Bourgeoisie · Don't Look Now · The Earrings of Madame de . . . · The Fall of the House of Usher · The Firemen's Ball · Five Easy Pieces · Goldfinger · The Good, the Bad and the Ugly · Goodfellas · The Gospel According to Matthew · The Grapes of Wrath · Grave of the Fireflies · Great Expectations · House of Games · The Hustler · In Cold Blood · Jaws · Jules and Jim · Kieslowski's Three Colors Trilogy · Kind Hearts and Coronets · King Kong · The Last Laugh · Laura · Leaving Las Vegas · Le Boucher · The Leopard · The Life and Death of Colonel Blimp · The Manchurian Candidate · The Man Who Laughs · Mean Streets · Mon Oncle · Moonstruck · The Music Room · My Dinner with Andre · My Neighbor Totoro · Nights of Cabiria · One Flew Over the



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**Your Movie Sucks** Andrews McMeel Publishing

"Stew brings us the story of a young bohemian who charts a course for 'the real' through sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll."--Page 4 of cover.

Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2010  
Andrews McMeel Publishing

Roger Ebert has been writing film reviews for the Chicago Sun-Times for over four decades now and his biweekly essays on great movies have been appearing there since 1996. As Ebert noted in the introduction to the first collection of those pieces, "They are not the greatest films of all time, because all lists of great movies are a foolish attempt to codify works which must stand alone. But it's fair to say: If you want to take a tour of the landmarks of the first century of cinema, start here. Enter The Great Movies III, Ebert's third

collection of essays on the crème de la crème of the silver screen, each one a model of critical appreciation and a blend of love and analysis that will send readers back to the films with a fresh set of eyes and renewed enthusiasm—or maybe even lead to a first-time viewing. From *The Godfather: Part II* to *Groundhog Day*, from *The Last Picture Show* to *Last Tango in Paris*, the hundred pieces gathered here display a welcome balance between the familiar and the esoteric, spanning Hollywood blockbusters and hidden gems, independent works and foreign language films alike. Each essay draws on Ebert's vast knowledge of the cinema, its fascinating history, and its breadth of techniques, introducing newcomers to some of the most exceptional movies

ever made, while revealing new insights to connoisseurs as well. Named the most powerful pundit in America by *Forbes* magazine, and a winner of the Pulitzer Prize, Roger Ebert is inarguably the most prominent and influential authority on the cinema today. *The Great Movies III* is sure to please his many fans and further enhance his reputation as America's most respected—and trusted—film critic. [Roger Ebert's Book of Film](#) University of Chicago Press

Sometimes there's just nothing more absorbing than watching a movie that truly looks at life on the dark side, revealing those dark parts of human nature that we find so fascinating. In *Roger Ebert's picks of 27 Movies from the Dark Side*, he offers a varied selection from a look at the seamy side

of life in L.A. in Chinatown to a backwoods murder gone wrong in Blood Simple. Throw in two classics from Alfred Hitchcock, Notorious and Strangers on a Train, and two French tours de force, Bob le Flambeur and Touchez Pas au Grisbi and you've got the primer on film noir.

### **The Great Movies IV**

ReadHowYouWant.com

With a critical eye that mirrors his subject's, Todd Rendleman explores the values, temperament, character, and style that have made Roger Ebert the most trusted and influential film critic in America. Introducing the one critic whom so many moviegoers recognize, argue with, and love, Rule of Thumb illuminates Ebert's critical strengths and blind spots. His sensibilities are further

appreciated through comparisons to incisive, provocative colleagues like Pauline Kael and John Simon. While exploring their critical clashes, the author offers fresh assessments of a host of movies, from modern classics like Last Tango in Paris and Blue Velvet, to films that deserve another glance, like Music Box, In Dreams, and Bliss. Few are in a position to write a firsthand memoir of one of the world's great film critics, but Rendleman accomplishes just this, smartly intertwining his own coming-of-age cinematic sensibility with a witty critical analysis of his subject. All told, his achievement is noteworthy: he offers a unique view of a celebrated personality, while revealing himself as a writer of insight and dash.

Life Itself Dramatists Play Service Inc

Now in its 12th edition, "Roger Ebert's Video Companion" sports a new cover but contains the same literature, witty, and trusted reviews that movie lovers depend on. In addition to 1,500 full-length movie reviews, the book also contains interviews with Madonna, Kenneth Branagh, Billy Bob Thornton, Kim Novak, and others. More than 1 million "Video Companions" have been sold.

*Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2004*

University of Chicago Press

Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2010 is the ultimate source for movies, movie reviews, and much more. For nearly 25 years, Roger Ebert's annual collection has been recognized as the preeminent source for full-length critical movie reviews, and his 2010 yearbook does not

disappoint. The yearbook includes every review Ebert has written from January 2007 to July 2009. It also includes interviews, essays, tributes, and all-new questions and answers from his Questions for the Movie Answer Man columns. Fans get a bonus feature, too, with new entries to Ebert's Little Movie Glossary. This is the must-have go-to guide for movie fanatics.

*Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2007*

Andrews McMeel Publishing

Roger Ebert was the most influential film critic in the United States, the first to win a Pulitzer Prize. For almost fifty years, he wrote with plainspoken eloquence about the films he loved for the Chicago Sun-Times, his vast cinematic knowledge matched by a sheer love of life that bolstered his appreciation of films. 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 that has previously been available only in a difficult-to-

obtain pamphlet. Herzog himself contributes a foreword in which he discusses his relationship with Ebert. Brimming with insights from both filmmaker and film critic, Herzog by Ebert will be essential for fans of either of their prolific bodies of work.

*Rule of Thumb* University of Chicago Press

The Pulitzer Prize-winning film critic offers up more reviews of horrible films. Roger Ebert awards at least two out of four stars to most of the more than 150 movies he reviews each year. But when the noted film critic does pan a movie, the result is a humorous, scathing critique far more entertaining than the movie itself. *I Hated, Hated, Hated This Movie* is a collection of more than 200 of Ebert's most biting and entertaining

reviews of films receiving a mere star or less from the only film critic to win the Pulitzer Prize. Ebert has no patience for these atrocious movies and minces no words in skewering the offenders.

Witness: *Armageddon* \* (1998)—The movie is an assault on the eyes, the ears, the brain, common sense, and the human desire to be entertained. No matter what they're charging to get in, it's worth more to get out. *The Beverly Hillbillies* \* (1993)—Imagine the dumbest half-hour sitcom you've ever seen, spin it out to ninety-three minutes by making it even more thin and shallow, and you have this movie. It's appalling. *North* no stars (1994)—I hated this movie. Hated hated hated hated this movie. Hated it. Hated every simpering stupid vacant audience-insulting moment of it.

Hated the sensibility that thought anyone would like it. Hated the implied insult to the audience by its belief that anyone would be entertained by it. *Police Academy* no stars (1984)—It's so bad, maybe you should pool your money and draw straws and send one of the guys off to rent it so that in the future, whenever you think you're sitting through a bad comedy, he could shake his head, chuckle tolerantly, and explain that you don't know what bad is. *Dear God* \* (1996)—*Dear God* is the kind of movie where you walk out repeating the title, but not with a smile. The movies reviewed within *I Hated, Hated, Hated This Movie* are motion pictures you'll want to distance yourself from, but Roger Ebert's creative and comical musings on those films make for a book

no movie fan should miss.

*Awake in the Dark* Andrews McMeel  
Publishing

Since *The Little Book of Hollywood Cliches* was first published the author has been flooded with new contributions and, along with some of his own insights, has combined the best of old and new in this expanded compendium of movie cliches, stereotypes and obligatory scenes.

*Roger Ebert's Movie Home Companion*  
Andrews Mcmeel+ORM

Roger Ebert has been writing film reviews for the Chicago Sun-Times for nearly forty years. And during those four decades, his wide knowledge, keen judgment, prodigious energy, and sharp sense of humor have made him America's most celebrated film critic. He

was the first such critic to win a Pulitzer Prize - one of just three film critics ever to receive that honor - and the only one to have a star dedicated to him on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. His groundbreaking hit TV show, *At the Movies*, meanwhile, has made "two thumbs up" one of the most coveted hallmarks in the entire industry. No critic alive has reviewed more movies than Roger Ebert, and yet his essential writings have never been collected in a single volume - until now. With *Awake in the Dark*, both fans and film buffs can finally bask in the best of Ebert's work. The reviews, interviews, and essays collected here present a picture of this indispensable critic's numerous contributions to the cinema and cinephilia. From *The Godfather* to

GoodFellas, from Cries and Whispers to Crash, the reviews in *Awake in the Dark* span some of the most exceptional periods in film history, from the dramatic rise of rebel Hollywood and the heyday of the auteur, to the triumph of blockbuster films such as *Star Wars* and *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, to the indie revolution that is still with us today. The extraordinary interviews gathered in *Awake in the Dark* capture Ebert engaging not only some of the most influential directors of our time - Martin Scorsese, Steven Spielberg, Woody Allen, Robert Altman, Werner Herzog, and Ingmar Bergman - but also some of the silver screen's most respected and dynamic personalities, including actors as diverse as Robert Mitchum, James Stewart, Warren Beatty, and Meryl

Streep. Ebert's remarkable essays play a significant part in *Awake in the Dark* as well. The book contains some of Ebert's most admired pieces, among them a moving appreciation of John Cassavetes and a loving tribute to the virtues of black-and-white films. If Pauline Kael and Andrew Sarris were godmother and godfather to the movie generation, then Ebert is its voice from within - a writer whose exceptional intelligence and daily bursts of insight and enthusiasm have shaped the way we think about the movies. *Awake in the Dark*, therefore, will be a treasure trove not just for fans of this seminal critic, but for anyone desiring a fascinating and compulsively readable chronicle of film since the late 1960s.

**Scorsese by Ebert** Crown Archetype



"Previous versions of these essays have appeared in the Chicago Sun-Times, 1997, 1999, 2006, and 2009-2013."