



Hollywood s Most Influential Directors: The Lives and Legacies of Alfred Hitchcock, Orson Welles, and Stanley Kubrick (Paperback)

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Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, United States, 2016. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English. Brand New Book ****** Print on Demand ******. *Includes pictures *Includes the directors quotes about their careers *Includes online resources and a bibliography for further reading In the opening pages of his seminal book-length study of Alfred Hitchcock, Hitchcock s Films (1965), Robin Wood famously asked, Why Should We Take Hitchcock Seriously? Wood then proceeded to offer a detailed examination of Hitchcock's career to that point, arguing that the Master of Suspense belonged among the ranks of the preeminent directors in Hollywood, and that his films were among the most important in American culture. When Wood was asking that question, he wasn't asking it rhetorically and was arguing for Hitchcock's relevance, which seems strange today because Hitchcock is now a Hollywood icon. No one would even think of asking that same question today, as just about every American is familiar with Hitchcock's work in some way or another. Hitchcock is regarded as perhaps the most famous and influential director in history, so Wood's question back in 1965 at least demonstrates the evolution of Hitchcock's reputation and the critical reception of his...



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