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Sangue, fughe, inseguimenti, spionaggio, un misterioso passato: Mission: Impossible incontra Dracula. L'urban fantasy non è mai stato così conturbante. Il mio nome è Jaz Parks, e sono una killer professionista. Ma state tranquilli, uccido soltanto i cattivi: vampiri e altre creature della notte che si nutrono di sangue umano. La CIA mi ha

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appena assegnato un nuovo incarico: da oggi sarò l'assistente di Vayl, un agente specializzato in missioni top-secret ad altissimo rischio. Vayl per me è un maestro: da quando lavora per la CIA non ha mai fallito. E ha un fascino irresistibile... Peccato che sia così avanti con l'età: ha 291 anni! Infatti è un vampiro, ma un vampiro buono. Ora però devo mettere da parte certi pensieri audaci e concentrarmi sul nostro compito: Vayl e io siamo sulle tracce di un pericoloso terrorista, il chirurgo plastico Mohammed Khad Abn-Assan, che sta tramando qualcosa di molto, molto grosso: un piano criminale che rischia di mettere in ginocchio il mondo intero. Dopo tante missioni impossibili, non mi sarei mai aspettata di incontrare un nemico così insidioso... «Spy story, fantasy e vampiri si mescolano in un libro che vi terrà col fiato sospeso dall'inizio alla fine.» Lovevampires «Un'affascinante eroina che è agente della CIA e anche cacciatrice di vampiri: i fan dei libri sui vampiri si divertiranno.» Publishers Weekly «Un gran bel libro. E vedrete, questo è solo l'inizio di una serie destinata a un incredibile successo.» Graeme's Fantasy Book Review Jennifer Rardinè nata e cresciuta nel Midwest degli Stati Uniti. Dopo un'infanzia passata a leggere fiabe e leggende nordiche, si è laureata in letteratura inglese. Dopo Il potere del vampiro, le avventure dell'affascinante eroina Jaz Parks proseguono nei successivi libri della serie Love Blood.

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These essays by eleven internationally renowned historians present nuanced profiles of the major social and professional groups—the callings-of the Middle Ages. The contributors focus on attitudes of medieval men and women toward their own society. Through a variety of techniques, from a reading of the *Song of Roland* to a reading of administrative records, they identify characteristic viewpoints of members of the fighting class, the clergy, and the peasantry. Along with vivid descriptions of what life was like for warrior knights, monks, high churchmen, criminals, lepers, shepherds, and prostitutes, this innovative approach offers a valuable new perspective on the complex social dynamics of feudal Europe. "Very useful discussions of texts, both learned and literary."—Christopher Dyer, *Times Literary Supplement*

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Desire for love, desire for knowledge, desire to possess, desire to desire and to be desired: our life is shaped by what we want and by our efforts to achieve it. Hailed by philosophers and psychoanalysts as the core of human identity, desire informs not only our actions, but also our dreams and hopes and their sublimation into art and

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literature. This collection of essays explores how desire is portrayed in modern and contemporary Italian literature, by analysing some of the most interesting literary figures of the last two centuries. The authors of this collection approach desire from various perspectives – psychoanalytical, sociological, political and semiotic – in order to show that desire, albeit at times not explicitly mentioned, pervades the literary works of modern and contemporary Italy, either as a central theme or as the secret motor of the narrative. Through the filter of desire, the essays of this collection highlight the international dimension of Italian literature, establishing a connection between Italian authors and the major theoretical works of the last two centuries. As the notion of desire, as represented in literary texts, is informed by psychoanalytical and philosophical concepts that operate across the boundaries of nationality and language, modernists and scholars of Comparative Literature will find the papers in this book of considerable interest.

The exploitation film industry of Italy, Spain and France during the height of its popularity from 1960 to 1980 is the focus of this entertaining history. With subject matter running the gamut from Italian zombies to Spanish werewolves to French lesbian vampires, the shocking and profoundly entertaining motion pictures of the “Eurocult” genre are discussed from the standpoint of the films and the filmmakers, including such internationally celebrated auteurs as Mario Bava, Jess Franco, Jean Rollin and Paul Naschy. The Eurocult

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phenomenon is also examined in relation to the influences that European culture and environment have had on the world of exploitation cinema. The author's insight and expertise contribute to a greater understanding of what made these films special—and why they have remained so popular to later generations.

Dall'autrice di *Charming Devil*: «Un segreto per un segreto. Mi fido solo di chi posso ricattare.» Inghilterra, XIX secolo. La Chiesa è convinta di aver ripulito le strade di Londra dalla minaccia dei Reietti, i cosiddetti vampiri, non sapendo che essi si muovono nel buio, e hanno imparato a nascondersi nelle ombre della società stessa. Keiran Kraus è uno di loro. Non ha nessun Dio da temere né alcuna fede da rispettare. Le cicatrici che marchiano il suo corpo sono il lungo racconto di un passato doloroso, e scontri violenti tra la vita e la morte dai quali è sempre uscito vincitore. Vagando a caccia, in una notte oscura, si imbatte nella giovane Mya Blackwell: lei possiede il sangue più prelibato che abbia mai assaggiato, una curiosità spiccata e dei rarissimi occhi violetti. È proprio scontrandosi con il suo sguardo coraggioso che decide di averla a tutti i costi. La passione esplode travolgente, e rischia di distrarre Keiran dalla missione che deve compiere. In un mondo fatto di ipocrisie, inganni e violenze, Mya imparerà ad adattarsi a una realtà molto diversa da quella che conosceva. «Il tuo sapore mi imprigiona. Ora che l'ho assaggiato, che è parte di me... voglio solo il tuo sangue, Mya. Tutto il resto ha il gusto della cenere.»

Sean Connery began the sixties spy movie boom playing James Bond in *Dr. No* and *From Russia with Love*. Their success inspired every studio in Hollywood and Europe to release everything from serious knockoffs to spoofs on the genre featuring debonair men, futuristic gadgets, exotic locales, and some of the world's most beautiful actresses whose roles ranged from the innocent caught up in a

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nefarious plot to the femme fatale. Profiled herein are 107 dazzling women, well-known and unknown, who had film and television appearances in the spy genre. They include superstars Doris Day in *Caprice*, Raquel Welch in *Fathom*, and Ann-Margret in *Murderer's Row*; international sex symbols Ursula Andress in *Dr. No* and *Casino Royale*, Elke Sommer in *Deadlier Than the Male*, and Senta Berger in *The Spy with My Face*; and forgotten lovelies Greta Chi in *Fathom*, Alizia Gur in *From Russia with Love*, and Maggie Thrett in *Out of Sight*. Each profile includes a filmography that lists the actresses' more notable films. Some include the actresses' candid comments and anecdotes about their films and television shows, the people they worked with, and their feelings about acting in the spy genre are offered throughout. A list of websites that provide further information on women in spy films and television is also included.

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In an eclectic career spanning four decades, Italian director Riccardo Freda (1909–1999) produced films of remarkable technical skill and powerful visual style, including the swashbuckler *Black Eagle* (1946), an adaptation of *Les Misérables* (1947), the peplum *Theodora, Slave Empress* (1954) and a number of cult-favorite Gothic and horror films such as *I Vampiri* (1957), *The Horrible Dr. Hichcock* (1962) and *The Ghost* (1963). Freda was first championed in the 1960s by French critics who labeled him “the European Raoul Walsh,” and enjoyed growing critical esteem over the years. This book covers his life and career for the first time in English, with detailed analyses of his films and exclusive interviews with his collaborators and family.

A survey of those actresses famous for playing the wicked women of the screen. The book covers Bette Davis, Joan Collins, Barbara Stanwyck, Marlene Dietrich and many others. David Quinlan describes their lives and their careers and there are full filmographies.

In *Tuscan Spaces*, Silvia Ross focuses on constructions of Tuscany in twentieth-century Italian literature and juxtaposes them with English prose works by such authors as E.M. Forster and Frances Mayes to expose the complexity of literary representation centred on a single milieu.

The emergence of cinema as a predominant form of mass entertainment in the 1910s inspired intellectuals to rethink their definitions of art. *The Great Black Spider on Its Knock-Kneed Tripod* traces the encounter of Italy's writers with cinema, and in doing so offers vibrant new perspectives on the country's early twentieth-century culture. This comparative study focuses on the immediate responses to this cultural phenomenon of three highly influential

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intellectuals, each with a competing aesthetic vision – Filippo Tommaso Marinetti, founder of Futurism; Gabriele D'Annunzio, leader of Italian Decadentism; and Luigi Pirandello, a father of modern European theatre and theorist of humour. Along with demonstrating how the popularization of the feature-length narrative influenced each author's outlook and theories, Michael Syrimis unravels the extent to which cinema enforced or neutralized the ideological and aesthetic differences between them.

This edition of the of "The Son of the Red Corsair" is the only English translation of the Italian "Il figlio del corsaro rosso" by Emilio Salgari, an Italian writer of adventure and science fiction stories for readers of all ages young at heart. His books are regarded as classics and are still in print many years after their initial publication. They have been translated in several languages and, besides Italy, they are especially popular in the Spanish speaking world. A prolific writer, Salgari authored 80 novels and about 150 short stories. A captivating mix of adventure, romance and comedy, The Son of The Red Corsair is the story of Enrico of Ventimiglia, an Italian gentleman disguised as a corsair, as he fights his way through the Spaniards conquerors of Central America in search of the half-sister he has never met, the child of his father's second wife, the daughter of Darien's Gran Cacique. In his adventures he is attended by a handful of colorful characters like the faithful Mendoza, Buttafuoco, a French gentleman turned buccaneer, and the boisterous Don Barrejo. Helping him are also the beautiful Marquise of Montelimar and the bands of the Pirates of the Caribbean.

Explores Eliot's poetry, drama, and literary criticism in



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relation to his life in America and England, his relationship with his first wife, his anti-Semitism, and his misogyny.

Offers an alphabetical listing of more than 2,600 feature films, documentaries, and short films from over fifty countries, covering gay and lesbian filmmaking from 1914 to the present.

Offering comprehensive coverage of classical music, this guide surveys more than eleven thousand albums and presents biographies of five hundred composers and eight hundred performers, as well as twenty-three essays on forms, eras, and genres of classical music. Original.

Catherine of Siena (1347-1380), mystic and Doctor of the Church, wrote *The Dialogue*, her crowning spiritual work, for "the instruction and encouragement of all those whose spiritual welfare was her concern."

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? The birth and rise of popular Italian cinema since the early 1950s can be attributed purely to necessity. The vast number of genres, sub-genres, currents and crossovers and the way they have overlapped, died out or replaced each other has been an attempt, in postwar years, to contain the invasion of U.S. product while satisfying the demands the American industry had created in Italy. The author explores one of the most multi-faceted and contradictory industries cinema has ever known

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through the careers of those most closely associated with it. His recorded interviews were conducted with directors and actors both well-known and upcoming. Featuring over 300 rare film stills, this text analyzes how aesthetic, sexual, and ideological subversives use one of the most powerful art forms of our time to exchange or manipulate our conscious and unconscious, demystify visual taboos, destroy dated cinematic forms, and undermine existing value systems and institutions.

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