# Department of Film Studies

MA Syllabus
with Reading List
(Introduced in July 2013)

## 1.1

## Film Language: Introduction through Practical Criticism

Film texts will be selected from major authors, conventions and traditions across the world. Basic concepts in film aesthetics will be introduced through textual analysis and supplementary screenings. Sessions will include a workshop involving hands-on video and stills photography.

Concepts around which the sessions will be organized are

- 1. Narrative
- 2. Time
- 3. Space
- 4. Sound
- 5. Colour
- 6. Image and Technology

## **Suggested Readings**

#### **Narrative**

Raymond Bellour, 'System of a Fragment (on *The Birds*)'[1969], in *The Analysis of Film*, Constance Penley (ed), 2000.

Colin MacCabe, 'Realism and the Cinema: Notes on Some Brechtian Theses', Screen 15(2), 1974.

Maya Deren, 'The Instrument of Discovery and the Instrument of Invention/The Art of Film [1946]', in Philip Simpson, Andrew Utterson and Karen J. Shepherdson (eds), *Film Theory: Critical Concepts in Media and Cultural Studies*, Volume 1, 2004.

Sergei Eisenstein, 'Dickens, Griffith, and the Film Today', in *Film Form: Essays in Film Theory*, 1949.

Seymour Chatman, Story and Discourse: Narrative Structure in Fiction and Film, 1980.

Elizabeth Cowie, 'Storytelling: Classical Hollywood Cinema and Classical Narrative', in Steve Neale and Murray Smith (eds), *Contemporary Hollywood Cinema*, 1998.

Edward Branigan, 'The Point-of-View Shot', in Bill Nichols (ed), *Movies and Methods* vol. 1, 1993.

#### Time

Mani Kaul, 'Beneath the Surface, Cinematography and Time', *Indian Horizons*, 2008.

Andrei Tarkovsky, 'Time, Rhythm & Editing' in Sculpting in Time: Reflections on the Cinema, 1987.

--- Tarkovsky, Time Within Time, 1991.

Paul Coates, 'Chris Marker and the Cinema as Time Machine', Science Fiction Studies 14, 1987.

Selections from Gilles Deleuze, Cinema 2: The Time Image, 1989.

## **Space**

Andre Bazin, 'Painting and Cinema', in What is Cinema? vol. 1, 2005.

Gulam Mohammed Sheikh, 'Mobile Vision: Some Synoptic Comments', *Journal of Arts and Ideas*, no. 5, 1983.

David Bordwell, 'Widescreen Aesthetics and Mise-en-Scene Criticism', *Velvet Light Trap* no. 21, 1985.

Martin Lefebvre, 'Between Setting and Landscape in the Cinema', in Lefebvre (ed), *Landscape and Film*, 2006.

#### Sound

Ritwik Kumar Ghatak, 'Sound in Film', in Rows and Rows of Fences, 2000.

Elizabeth Weis, 'The Evolution of Hitchcock's Aural Style and Sound in *The Birds'*, in Elisabeth Weis and John Belton (eds), *Film Sound: Theory and Practice*, 1985.

Walter Murch, 'Introduction' to Michel Chion, Audio-Vision: Sound on Screen, 1994.

Michel Chion, 'The Acousmetre', in *The Voice in Cinema*, 1999.

Rick Altman, Sound Theory, Sound Practice, 1992.

Philip Brophy (ed), Cinesonic3: Experiencing the Soundtrack, 2001.

## Colour

From Angela Dalle Vacche and Brian Price (eds), Color: The Film Reader, 2006

Sergei Eisenstein, 'On Colour'

Nagisa Oshima, 'Banishing Green'

Eric Rohmer, 'Reflections on Colour'

Stan Brakhage, 'Painting Film'

Angela Dalle Vacche, 'Michelangelo Antonioni's *Red Desert*: Painting as Ventriloquism and Color as Movement' and 'Jean-Luc Godard's *Pierrot le Fou*: Cinema as Collage against Painting', in *Cinema And Painting: How Art Is Used In Film*, 1996.

Paul Coates, Cinema and Colour: The Saturated Image, 2010.

## **Image and Technology**

Miriam Hansen, 'Benjamin, Cinema and Experience: The Blue Flower in the Land of Technology', *New German Critique*, no. 40, 1987.

Rosalind Krauss, 'Video: The Aesthetics of Narcissism', October 1, 1976.

Lev Manovich, 'What is Digital Cinema?', in *The Digital Dialectic: New Essays On New Media* 1999.

Steve Neale, Cinema and Technology: Image, Sound, Colour, 1985.

Gene Youngblood, Expanded Cinema, 1970.

Sean Cubitt, Timeshift: On Video Culture, 1991.

Rieser Martin and Andrea Zapp (eds), *New Screen Media: Cinema/Art/Narrative*, vol.1, 2<sup>nd</sup> edn, 2008.

#### **Early Film Forms**

- 1. The Early Cinema Paradigm (1895-1908)
- 2. Transitional Forms ('serial films' and the cinema of Griffith, Tourneur, Bauer, et al) or American Silent Comedy
- 3. Silent Avant-Garde and Modernism (Constructivism, Surrealism, Expressionism, Impressionist Film)
- 4. Indian Silent Forms (from D G Phalke to the major trends in the 1920s)

# **Suggested Readings**

## The Early Cinema Paradigm

Selected chapters from Noel Burch, Life to Those Shadows, 1990.

Tom Gunning, 'The Cinema of Attractions: Early Cinema, Its Spectator and the Avant-garde', in Thomas Elsaesser and Adam Barker (eds), *Early Cinema: Space, Frame, Narrative*, 1994.

Charles Musser, 'The Nickelodeon Era Begins', in Thomas Elsaesser and Adam Barker (eds), *Early Cinema: Space, Frame, Narrative*, 1994.

Charles Musser, 'Historiographic Method and the Study of Early Cinema', in *Cinema Journal* 44(1), Fall 2004.

Leo Charney and Vanessa R. Schwartz (eds), Cinema and the Invention of Modern Life, 1995.

Lee Grieveson, Policing Cinema: Movies and Censorship in Early-Twentieth-Century America, 2004.

Wanda Stauven (ed), The Cinema of Attractions Reloaded, 2007.

Andre Gaudreault, Film and Attraction, 2011.

Andre Gaudreault, Nicolas Dulac and Santiago Hidalgo (eds), A Companion to Early Cinema, 2012.

## **Transitional Forms/ American Silent Comedy**

Charles Keil and Shelley Stamp (eds), *American Cinema's Transitional Era: Audiences, Institutions, Practices*, 2004.

Ben Singer, Melodrama and Modernity: Early Sensational Cinema and its Contexts, 2001.

Jeniffer M. Bean and Diane Negra (eds) A Feminist Reader in Early Cinema, 2012.

Vlada Petric, 'David Wark Griffith', in Richard Roud (ed), Cinema: A Critical Dictionary Volume 1, 1980.

Tom Gunning, 'Weaving a Narrative: Style and Economic Background in Griffith's Biograph Films' [1981] in Thomas Elsaesser (ed), *Early Cinema: Space, Frame, Narrative*, 1994.

Lary May, 'Apocalyptic Cinema: D. W. Griffith and the Aesthetics of Reform' in John Belton (ed), *Movies and Mass Culture*, 2000.

David Bordwell, 'Feuiillade or Storytelling', in Figures Traced in Light, 2005.

The Velvet Light Trap, No, 37, Special Issue on Feuillade and the French Serial, Spring 1996.

Phillip Kemp and Rachel Morely, 'Notes on Evgeni Bauer', Milestone Films, *Mad Love: The Films of Evgeni Bauer*, 2003.

Denise J Youngblood, The Magic Mirror: Moviemaking in Russia, 1908-1918, 1999.

Charlie Keil and Ben Singer (eds), American Cinema of the 1910's: Themes and Variations, 2009.

Gerald Mast, The Comic Mind: Comedy and the Movies, 1973.

James Agee, 'Comedy's Greatest Era', in Agee on Film, Vol. 1, 1958.

Robert Sklar, 'Chaos, Magic, Physical Genius and the Art of Silent Comedy' in *Movie Made America*, revised edition, 1994.

Selected essays from Kristine Brunovska Karnick and Henry Jenkins (eds), *Classical Hollywood Comedy*, 1995.

Tom Paulus and Rob King (eds), Slapstick Comedy, 2010.

#### **Silent Avant-Garde and Modernism**

Amos Vogel, Introduction to Film as Subversive Art, 1974.

Malte Hagener, 'Reframing the Historical Avant-garde: Media, Historiography and Method' in *Moving Forward, Looking Back, The European Avant-garde and the Invention of Film Culture, 1919-1939*, 2007.

Yuri Tsivian, 'Early Soviet Cinema: Some Observations' in Richard Taylor and Ian Christie (eds), *Inside the Film Factory, New Approaches to Russian and Soviet Cinema*, 1991.

Annette Michelson (ed), Kino Eye: The Writings of Dziga Vertov, 1984.

Vlada Petric, Constructivism in Film: The Man with the Movie Camera, A Cinematic Analysis, revised edition, 2012.

Ian Christie and Richard Taylor (eds), Eisenstein Rediscovered: Soviet Cinema of the '20s and '30s, 1993.

Anna Lawton, The Red Screen, Politics, Society, Art in Soviet Cinema, 2003.

David Bordwell, The Cinema of Eisenstein, 2005.

Andre Breton, Manifestoes of Surrealism, 1969

Paul Hammond (ed), The Shadow and its Shadow, Surrealist Writings on Cinema, third edition, 2000.

Richard Abel (ed), French Film Theory and Criticism: A History/Anthology, Volume: 1907-1929, 1993.

Rudolph e. Kuenzli (ed) Dada and Surrealist Film, 1996.

Alexander Graf and Dietrich Scheunemann, 'Abstraction, Surrealism, Futurism: The Cinema of the Historical Avant-Garde'in *Avant-Garde Film*, 2007.

Rudolph e. Kuenzli, 'Dada and Surrealist Film', in Elizabeth Ezra (ed) European Cinema, 2004.

Lotte H. Eisner, *The Haunted Screen: Expressionism in the German Cinema and the Influence of Max Reinhardt*, 1969.

Siegfried Kracauer, From Caligari to Hitler: A Psychological History of the German Film, 2004 [1947].

Anthony Kaes, 'Silent Cinema (in Germany)', Monatshefte, Vol. 82, No. 3 (Fall, 1990).

Dietrich Scheunemann (ed) Expressionist Film: New Perspectives, 2003.

Anton Kaes, 'Weimar Cinema and the Predicament of Modernity', in Elizabeth Ezra (ed) *European Cinema*, 2004.

Richard Abel, French Cinema: The First Wave, 1915-1929, 1987.

Paul Willemen, 'Photogénie and Epstein', in *Looks and Frictions: Essays in Cultural Studies and Film Theory*, 1994.

Ian Aitken, 'Into the Realm of the Wondrous: French Cinematic Impressionism' in *European Film Theory and Cinema: A Critical Introduction*, 2001.

## **Indian Silent Forms**

Eric Barnouw and S. Krishnasawamy, *Indian Film*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, 1980.

Ashish Rajadhyaksha and Paul Willemen (eds), *Encyclopedia of Indian Cinema*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, 1999.

'Phalke's Evidence before Indian Cinematograph Committee Report' from The *Report* of the *Indian Cinematograph Committee*, 1927-28.

D.G.Phalke, 'Indian Cinema I, II, II & IV' in Navyug, 1970.

B.V Dharap, D.G. Phalke: The Father of Indian Cinema', in T. M. Ramachanmdran (ed), 70 Years of Indian Cinema, 1985.

Ashish Rajadhyaksha, 'The Phalke Era: Conflict of Traditional Form and Modern Technology' in Tejaswini Niranjana, P. Sudhir and Vivek Dhareswar (eds), *Interrogating Modernity: Culture and Colonialism in India*, 1993.

Suresh Chabria, Paolo Cherchi Usai and Virchand Dharamsey (eds), *Light of Asia: Indian Silent Cinema*, 1912-34, 1994; revised edition 2013.

Stephen P. Hughes, 'The Pre-Phalke Era in South India: Reflections on the Formation of Film Audiences in Madras.' *South Indian Studies*, 2, 1996.

J.B.H. Wadia, 'Looking Back on my 'Romance' with Films', *Bharat Jyoti*, Indian Talkie Silver Jubilee Number, 1955.

Valentina Vitali, Chapter 1, Hindi Action Cinema: Industries, Narratives, Bodies, 2008.

Kaushik Bhaumik, *The Emergence of the Bombay Film Industry*, 1913-1936, unpublished D.Phil thesis, Oxford University, 2001.

Bhaumik, 'Cinematograph to Cinema: Bombay, 1896-1928', BioScope, vol.2, no.1, 2011.

## 1.3

#### **Non-Fiction Film**

- 1. Schools of Documentary (any 3 from Robert Flaherty/ Dziga Vertov/ John Grierson/ Joris Ivens/ Leni Riefenstahl/ Jean Rouch)
- 2. Direct Cinema and Cinema Verite (the French and American experiments)
- 3. Documentary as Political Practice in India
- 4. Contemporary Conceptualization of the Documentary.

# **Suggested Readings**

#### General Theories and Histories of Non-Fiction Film

Ian Aitken (ed), The Documentary Film Movement: An Anthology, 1998.

Barry Keith Grant, Jeannette Sloniowski (eds), *Documenting the Documentary: Close Readings of Documentary Film and Video*, 1998.

Jack C.Ellis, A New History of Documentary Film, 2005.

Bill Nichols, Introduction to Documentary, 2010.

Michael Renov, Theorizing Documentary, 2012.

Erik Barnouw, Documentary: A History of the Non-Fiction Film, 1993.

Richard Meran Barsam, Nonfiction Film: A Critical History, 1992.

William Rothman, Documentary Film Classics, 1997.

Bill Nichols, 'Documentary Film and the Modernist Avant-Garde', Critical Inquiry, 27 (4), 2001.

# **Schools of Documentary**

Bill Nichols, Representing Reality: Issues and Concepts in Documentary, 1991.

Richard Griffith, The World of Robert Flaherty, 1972.

Paul Rotha, Robert J. Flaherty: A Biography, 1983.

Brian Winston, 'The White Man's Burden: The Case of Robert Flaherty', Sight and Sound 54(1), 1984.

Selections from Richard M. Barsam, *The Vision of Robert Flaherty: The Artist as Myth and Filmmaker*, 1988.

Jay Leyda, Kino: A History of the Russian and Soviet Film, 1983.

Annette Michelson (ed) Kino Eye: The Writings of Dziga Vertov, 1984

Graham Roberts, The Man With the Movie Camera: The Film Companion, 2000.

Jeremy Hicks, Dziga Vertov: Defining Documentary Film, 2007.

John Grierson, Grierson on Documentary, 1966.

Jack C. Ellis, The Documentary Idea: A Critical History of English Language Documentary Film and Video ,1989.

Paul Swann, The British Documentary Film Movement, 1926-1946, 1989.

Ian Aitken, Film and Reform: John Grierson and the Documentary Film Movement, 1992.

Joris Ivens, The Camera and I, 1969.

Rosalind Delmar, Joris Evens: 50 Years of Filmmaking, 1979.

Thomas Waugh, Show Us Life: Toward a History and Aesthetics of the Committed Documentary, 1984.

Kees Bakker, Joris Ivens and the Documentary Context ,1999.

Mick Eaton, Anthropology, Reality, Cinema: The Films of Jean Rouch, 1979.

Jean Rouch, Cine-Ethnography, 2003.

Paul Stoller, 'Rereading Jean Rouch', in Dina Sherzer (ed), *Cinema, Colonialism, Postcolonialism: Perspective from the French and Francophone Worlds*, 1996.

Anna Grimshaw, 'The Anthropological Cinema of Jean Rouch', in *The Ethnographer's Eye: Ways of Seeing in Anthropology*, 2001.

Paul Henley, The Adventure of the Real: Jean Rouch and the Craft of Ethnographic Cinema, 2009.

David B. Hinton, 'Triumph of the Will: Document or Artifice?', Cinema Journal, 15(1), 1975.

Susan Sontag, 'Fascinating Fascism' in Bill Nichols (ed), Movies and Methods, Vol. I, 1976.

Richard Taylor, Film Propaganda: Soviet Russia and Nazi Germany ,1998.

David B. Hinton, The Films of Leni Riefenstahl, 2000.

Steven Bach, Leni: The Life and Work of Leni Riefenstahl, 2007.

#### **Direct Cinema and Cinema Verite**

Stephen Mamber, Cinema Verite in America: Studies in Uncontrolled Documentary, 1976.

Stephen Mamber, 'Cinema-Verite in America: Part II — Direct Cinema and the Crisis Structure', *Screen* 13(3), 1972.

Peter Graham, 'Cinema-Verite in France', Film Quarterly, 17 (4), 1964.

Lawrence H. Suid (ed), Film and Propaganda in America: A Documentary History, Vol. IV: 1945 and After, 1991.

Dave Saunders, Direct Cinema: Observational Documentary and the Politics of the Sixties, 2007.

Jonathan B. Vogels, The Direct Cinema of David and Albert Maysles, 2010.

## Documentary as Political Practice in India

Opender Chanana (ed), Docu-Scene, India ,1987.

Sanjit Narwekar (ed), A Directory of Indian Documentary ,1998.

Rustom Bharucha, 'Dismantling Men-Crisis of Male Identity in *Father, Son and Holy War*', *Economic and Political Weekly*, vol.30, no. 26, 1995.

Manjunath Pendakur, 'Cinema of Resistance: Recent Trends in Indian Documentary Film', *Documentary Box* 7, 1995.

Vinay Lal, 'Travails of the Nation: Some Notes on Indian Documentaries', *Third Text*, 19 (2),2005.

John Fischer, 'Oppression<sup>2</sup>: Indian Independent Political Documentaries and the Ongoing Struggle for Viewership', *The Columbia Journal of South Asian Studies*, vol. 1, no. 1, 2009.

Arvind Rajagopal and Paromita Vohra, 'On the Aesthetics and Ideology of the Indian Documentary Film: A Conversation', *BioScope*, 3 (1) ,2012.

Shweta Kishore, 'The Political In Indian Documentary Film: Material And Aesthetic Interventions, Post-Economic Liberalization', *Studies in Documentary Film*, 7 (2), 2013.

## **Contemporary Conceptualization of the Documentary**

John Izod and Richard Kilborn et al. (eds), From Grierson to the Docu-soap: Breaking the Boundaries, 2000.

Keith Beattie, Documentary Screens: Non-fiction Film and Television, 2004.

Noel Carroll, 'Nonfiction Film and Postmodernist Skepticism', in David Bordwell and Noel Carroll (eds), *Post-Theory: Reconstructing Film Studies*, 1996.

Maxine Baker, Documentary in the Digital Age, 2006.

Thomas Austin and Wilma de Jong (eds), *Rethinking Documentary: New Perspectives and Practices*, 2008.

Julia Lesage, 'New Worlds of Documentary', Jump Cut 48, 2006.

Alexandra Juhasz and Jesse Lerner (eds) F Is For Phony: Fake Documentary and Truth's Undoing, 2006

Raqs Media Collective (eds), Double Take: Looking at the Documentary, 2000.

## 1.4

#### **Hollywood Cinema and Its Peripheries**

- 1 Hollywood as Institution: Studio, Technology and Modes of Production (1917-1960)
- 2 Genre (introduction to the Hollywood genre system through case study of one important genre, eg., film noir, Musical, Western)
- 3 Post-Classical Developments: New Hollywood and after
- 4 American Independent Cinema (Underground Cinema, the Co-Op movement, 'Indie' cinema, etc)

## **Suggested Readings**

## Module 1 & 2: 'Hollywood as Institution' and 'Genre'

David Bordwell, Janet Staiger and Kristin Thompson (eds), *The Classical Hollywood Cinema: Film Style and Mode of Production to 1960*, 1985.

David Bordwell. 'Classical Narration: The Hollywood Example' in Narration in Fiction Film, 1985.

Thomas Schatz, The Genius of the System: Hollywood Filmmaking in the Studio Era, 1988.

Janet Staiger (ed), The Studio System, 1994.

Steve Neale (ed) The Classical Hollywood Reader, 2012.

Douglas Gomery, The Coming of Sound: A History, 2005.

Elizabeth Weiss and John Belton (eds) *Film Sound: Theory and Practice*, 'Part I. History, Technology, and Aesthetic', 1985.

Matthew Bernstein (ed), Controlling Hollywood: Censorship and Regulation in the Studio Era, 1999.

Lea Jacobs, The Wages of Sin: Censorship and the Fallen Woman Film, 1928-1942, 1995.

Eric Schaefer, Bold! Daring! Shocking! True": A History of Exploitation Films, 1919-1959, 1999.

Steve Neale, Genre and Hollywood, 2000.

Peter Wollen, 'The Auteur Theory' in Signs and Meanings in the Cinema. 1972.

Greg Rickman and Jim Kitses (eds) The Western Reader, 1998.

Jim Kitses, Horizons West: Directing the Western from John Ford to Clint Eastwood, 2008.

Paul Schrader, 'Notes on Film Noir', Film Comment, Spring 1972

James Naremore, More than Night: Film Noir in its Context, 1998.

Joan Copjec (ed) Shades of Noir, 1993.

Richard Dyer, 'Entertainment and Utopia' in Only Entertainment, 1992.

Jane Feuer, The Hollywood Musical, 2<sup>nd</sup> edn., 1993.

## Module 3 & 4: 'Post-Classical Developments' and 'American Independent Cinema'

Geoff King, New Hollywood Cinema: An Introduction, 2002.

Selections from Alexander <u>Horwath</u>, Thomas Elsaesser and Noel King (eds), *The Last Great American Picture Show, New Hollywood Cinema in the 1970s*, 2004.

Yannis Tzioumakis, 'The Transitional Years (late 1940s–late 1960s)' in *American Independent Cinema: An Introduction*, 2006.

Michael Pye and Lynda Miles, The Movie Brats: How the Film Generation Took over Hollywood, 1979.

Noel Carroll, 'The Future of Allusion: Hollywood in the Seventies (and Beyond)', October 20, 1982.

Michael Ryan and Douglas Kellner, Camera Politica: The Politics and Ideology of Contemporary Hollywood Film, 1990.

Sheldon Renan, An Introduction to the American Underground Film, 1976.

P Adams Sitney, Visionary Film: The American Avant-garde, 1943-2000, third edition, 2002.

Juan. M Suarez, Bike Boys Drag Queens and Superstars: Avant-Garde, Mass Culture and Gay Identities in 1960s Underground Cinema, 1996.

Michael O Pray (ed), Andy Warhol, Film Factory, 1989.

David E. James, To Free the Cinema: Jonas Mekas & the New York Underground, 1992

Selections from Wheeler Winston-Dixon and Gwendolyn Audrey Foster, *Experimental Cinema: The Film Reader*, 2002.

Yannis Tzioumakis, 'Contemporary American Independent Cinema (late 1960s to present)', in *American Independent Cinema: An Introduction*, 2006.

Jonas Mekas, 'Independence for Independents', in Chris Holmlund and Justin Wyatt (eds) *Contemporary American Independent Film: From the Margins to the Mainstream*, 2005.

James Schamus, 'To the Rear of the Back End: The Economics of Independent Cinema', in Steve Neale (ed), *Contemporary Hollywood Cinema*, 1998.

Janet Staiger, 'Independence from What? Sorting Out Differences from Hollywood', in Yannis Tzioumakis, Geof King etal (eds), *American Independent Cinema: Indie, Indiewood and Beyond*, 2013.

## 2.1

## Film Theory 1

- 1. Medium: Bela Balazs, Siegfried Kracauer, Laura Marks
- 2. Technique: Sergei Eisenstein, Andre Bazin
- 3. Form and Narrative: Sergei Eisenstein, Andre Bazin, Stephen Heath, Ritwik Ghatak

# **Suggested Readings**

#### **General Introduction**

Robert Stam, Film Theory: An Introduction, 2000.

- J. Dudley Andrew, The Major Film Theories: An Introduction, 1976.
- --- Dudley Andrew, Concepts in Film Theory, 1984.

Gertrud Koch, Siegfried Kracauer: An Introduction, 2000.

Seymour Chatman, Story and Discourse: Narrative Structure in Fiction and Film, 1980.

Thomas Elsaesser and Malte Hagener, Film Theory: An Introduction through the Senses, 2009.

Leo Braudy & Masrshall Cohen (eds), Film Theory and Criticism: Introductory Readings, 6th edn., 2004.

#### Medium

Bela Balazs, 'The Creative Camera', 'The Close-Up', 'The Face of Man' and 'Panorama', in *The Theory of the Film: Character and Growth of a New Art*, trans. Edith Bone, 1952; 1970.

Gertrud Koch, 'Bela Balazs: The Physiognomy of Things', New German Critique, No. 40, 1987.

Siegfried Kracauer, 'Basic Concepts' and 'Inherent Affinities' in *Theory of Film: The Redemption of Physical Reality*, 1997.

--- Kracauer, 'Photography', 1927

Miriam Bratu Hansen, 'Film, Medium of a Disintegrating World', in *Cinema and Experience: Siegfried Kracauer, Walter Benjamin, and Theodor W. Adorno*, 2012.

Stanley Cavell, The World Viewed: Reflections on the Ontology of Film, enlarged edition, 1979.

Laura U. Marks, 'The Memory of Touch', in *The Skin of the Film, Intercultural Cinema, Embodiment and the Senses*, 2000.

---Marks, 'How Electrons Remember', in Touch, Sensuous Theory and Multisensory Media, 2002.

## **Technique**

Sergei Eisenstein, 'Our October, Beyond Played and Non-Played', 'Beyond the Shot', 'Statement on Sound', 'An Unexpected Juncture', in S.M. Eisenstein, *Selected Works*, Vol. 1. ed. Richard Taylor, 2006.

---, Eisenstein, 'Methods of Montage', in *Film Form: Essays in Film Theory*, ed. and trans. Jay Leyda, 1977.

Oksana Bulgakowa, 'The Evolving Eisenstein: Three Theoretical Constructs of Sergei Eisenstein', in Albert J. LaValley and Barry P. Scherr (eds), *Eisenstein at 100: A Reconsideration*, 2001.

Andre Bazin, 'The Ontology of the Photographic Image', 'The Evolution of the Language of Cinema', and 'The Virtues and Limitations of Montage', in *What is Cinema*? vol. 1, 2005.

Phillip Rosen, 'Subject, Ontology and Historicity in Bazin', in *Change Mummified: Cinema, Historicity, Theory*, 2001.

#### Form and Narrative

'An Aesthetic of Reality: Cinematic Realism and the Italian School of the Liberation', and 'Bicycle Thief' in Andre Bazin, *What is Cinema?*, vol 2, 2005.

Stephen Heath, 'Narrative Space', Screen, Autumn, 1976.

Seymour Chatman, 'What Novels Can Do That Films Can't (and Vice Versa)', *Critical Inquiry*, Vol. 7, No. 1, 1980.

Bertolt Brecht, 'The Modern Theatre is Epic Theatre' and 'On the Use of Music in Epic Theatre', in John Willet (ed), *Brecht on Theatre: The Development of an Aesthetic*, 1964.

Ritwik Ghatak, 'Music in Cinema and the Epic Approach', in *Rows and Rows of Fences: Ritwik Ghatak on Cinema*, 2000.

#### **Cinematic Realism in Global Context**

- 1. Italian Neorealism
- 2. Post-colonial Realisms (Case study of any one from Latin America/ Africa)
- 3. Realist Resurgences: (Case study of any one from Britain/Iran/ Turkey)

# **Suggested Readings**

#### Italian Neorealism

Cesare Zavattini, 'A Thesis on Neorealism', in David Overbey (ed), *Springtime in Italy: A Reader on Neo-Realism*, 1979.

Andre Bazin 'An Aesthetic of Reality: Italian Neorealism', What is Cinema, vol 2, 1971.

Millicent Marcus, Italian Film in the Light of Neorealism, 1986.

Peter E. Bondanella, A History of Italian Cinema, 2009.

--- Bondanella, 'Exploring the boundaries of Neorealism', in *Italian Cinema: From Neorealism to the Present*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, 2001.

Christopher Wagstaff, Italian Neorealist Cinema: An Aesthetic Approach, 2007.

Bert Cardullo (ed), Andre Bazin and Italian Neorealism, 2011.

P. Adams Sitney, Vital Crises in Italian Cinema: Iconography, Stylistics, Politics, new edition, 2013.

#### Post-colonial Realisms

Tomas F. Crowder- Taraborrelli, 'A Stonecutter's Passion: Latin American Reality and Cinematic Faith', in Laura E. Ruberto & Kristi M. Wilson (eds), *Italian Neorealism and Global Cinema*, 2007.

Mariano Mestman, 'From Italian Neorealism to New Latin American cinema: Ruptures and continuities during the cinema of 1960s', in Saverio Giovacchini and Robert Sklar (eds), *Global Neorealism: The Transnational History of a Film Style*, 2012.

Michael Chanan, 'Beyond Neorealism' in Cuban Cinema, new edition, 2004.

Julianne Burton, 'Revolutionary Cuban cinema', Jump Cut no. 19, 1978.

Fernando Birri, 'The Roots of Documentary Realism', in Julianne Burton (ed), *Cinema and Social Change in Latin America: Conversations with Filmmakers*, 1986.

Tomas Gutierrez Alea, 'Beyond the Reflection of Reality', in Julianne Burton (ed), *Cinema and Social Change in Latin America: Conversations with Filmmakers*, 1986.

John King, Magical Reels: A History of Cinema in Latin America, new edition, 2000.

Michael T. Martin, New Latin American Cinema Volume 1: Theory, Practices and Transcontinental Articulations, 1997.

Ismail Xavier, Allegories of Underdevelopment: Aesthetics and Politics in Modern Brazilian Cinema, 1997.

Robert Stam and Randal Johnson (eds), Brazilian Cinema, expanded edition, 1995.

Tim Barnard, Argentine Cinema, 1986.

Jens Andermann and Álvaro Fernández Bravo (eds), New Argentine and Brazilian Cinema: Reality Effects, 2013.

José Sánchez-H, The Art and Politics of Bolivian cinema, 1999.

Michael Chanan. Chilean Cinema, 1976.

Andrea Noble, Mexican National Cinema, 2005.

Sada Niang, 'Neorealism and Nationalist African cinema', in Saverio Giovacchini and Robert Sklar (eds), Global Neorealism: The Transnational History of a Film Style, 2012.

Rachel Gabara, 'A Poetics of Refusals: Neorealism from Italy to Africa', in Laura E. Ruberto & Kristi M. Wilson (eds), *Italian Neorealism and Global Cinema*, 2007.

Sharon A. Russell, 'Introduction', in Guide to African Cinema, 1998.

Richard A. Maynard (ed), Africa on Film: Myth and Reality, 1974.

David Murphy, Postcolonial African Cinema: Ten Directors, 2007.

Imruh Bakari and Mbye Cham (eds), African Experiences of Cinema, 1996.

# **Realist Resurgences**

Hamid Naficy, 'Neorealism Iranian Style', in Saverio Giovacchini and Robert Sklar (eds), *Global Neorealism: The Transnational History of a Film Style*, 2012.

Stephen Weinberger, 'Neorealism, Iranian Style', Iranian Studies 40(1), 2010.

Shohini Chaudhury and Howard Finn, 'The Open Image: Poetic Realism and the New Iranian Cinema', *Screen* 44, 2003.

Richard Tapper (ed), The New Iranian Cinema: Politics, Representation and Identity, 2002.

Hamid Dabashi, Close Up: Iranian Cinema, Past, Present, and Future, 2001.

Samantha Lay, British Social Realism: From Documentary to Brit-grit, 2002.

Jim Leach, 'The Common Touch: The Art of Being Realistic', British Film, 2004.

Robert Murphy (ed) The British Cinema Book, 1997.

Sarah Street, British National Cinema, 2nd edn., 2009.

B. F. Taylor, British New Wave: A Certain Tendency?, 2006.

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- 1. Sound Film: The Studio Era, (1931-1950), (A case study any two from New Theatres/ Prabhat Film Company/ Bombay Talkies/ AVM/ Gemini/ Wadia Movietone/ Lahore studios)
- 2. Post-Independence Developments in Bombay (The 1950s melodrama, Bimal Roy, Guru Dutt, Mehboob, Raj Kapoor, Navketan and Filmistan productions)
- 3. Stars and the Mass Film (Introduction of Colour, the rise of Amitabh Bachchan, growth of music industry)
- 4. Economic Liberalization and the Rise of Bollywood,(Corporatization and globalization of Bombay cinema)
- 5. Regional Language Cinema: Stars and Generic Tendencies (Case study of any one of Bengali/Tamil/Telugu/ Malayalam cinema)

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Ranjani Mazumdar. 'Cosmopolitan Dreams', Seminar 598, 2009.

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#### New Waves across the World

- 1 French Nouvelle Vague
- 2 East European Waves (Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland)
- 3 Japanese New Wave (1960s and 70s experiments)
- 4 Case study of New German Cinema or Brazilian Cinema Novo.

## **Suggested Readings**

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- 1. Signification: Roland Barthes, Christian Metz, Peter Wollen
- 2. Gaze: Sigmund Freud, Christian Metz, Slavoj Zizek, Joan Copjec
- 3. Politics, Ideology: Jean-Louis Commoli, Jean Narboni, Jean-Louis Baudry and the *Cahiers* writings; Teshome Gabriel and theory of Third Cinema.

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#### **Indian Cinema: Alternative Practices**

- 1. Realism and its Critical Extensions: Satyajit Ray, Ritwik Ghatak
- 2. The Indian New Wave: Mrinal Sen, Shyam Benegal and regional art cinema of the 1970s and 80s (Adoor Gopalakrishnan, G Aravindan, M S Sathyu, et al).
- 3. Avant Garde to Contemporary Alternative Practices: Mani Kaul, Kumar Shahani, John Abraham and their legacies
- 4. The Idea of the Alternative: Indian film criticism

## **Suggested Readings**

#### Realism and its Critical Extensions

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Sections from Ritwik Ghatak, Rows and Rows of Fences: Ritwik Ghatak on Cinema, 2000.

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#### The Indian New Wave

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## **Avant Garde to Contemporary Alternative Practices**

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Brad Butler and Karen Mirza (eds), Cinema of Prayoga, Indian Experimental Film and Video, 2006.

## The Idea of the Alternative: Indian Film Criticism

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## **Television and Popular Culture in India**

- 1. Television Studies: Key Concepts (Genre, Audience, Institution, Infrastructure, Digital contexts)
- 2. Television and Public Opinion in India (Democracy and TV mediation)
- 3. Television and Participatory Culture (Reality TV, etc.)

#### **Suggested Readings**

## **Television Studies: Key Concepts**

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John Ellis, 'Broadcast TV As Cultural Form', 'Broadcast TV As Sound And Image' And 'Postface', in *Visible Fictions: Cinema, Television, Video*, 2001.

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Lisa Parks, 'Technostruggles and The Satellite Dish: A Populist Approach To Infrastructure', in Göran Bolin (ed), *Cultural Technologies: The Shaping Of Culture In Media And Society*, 2012.

William Uricchio, 'TV as Time Machine: Television's Changing Heterochronic Regimes and the Production of History', in Jostein Gripsru (ed), *Relocating Television: Television in the Digital Context*, 2010.

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Arvind Rajagopal, 'The Communicating Thing and Its Public' and 'How Has Television Changed The Context Of Politics In India?', in *Politics After Television: Hindu Nationalism and The Reshaping of The Public In India*, 2001.

Nalin Mehta, 'Argumentative Television: Politics, Democracy And News', in *India on Television: How Satellite News Channels Have Changed the Way We Think and Act*, 2008.

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Srirupa Roy, 'Television News and Democratic Change In India', *Media Culture Society*, Vol.33 No. 5, July 2011.

## **Television and Participatory Culture**

Shanti Kumar, 'Conclusion: Is There an Indian Community Of Television?', in *Gandhi Meets Primetime: Globalization And Nationalism In Indian Television*, 2006.

Aswin Punathambekar, 'Reality TV and Participatory Culture in India', *Popular Communication: International Journal of Media and Culture*, Vol. 8, Issue 4, 2010.

Biswarup Sen, 'Idol Worship: Ethnicity and Difference In Global Television' In *Global Television Formats: Understanding Television Across Borders* Eds. Tasha Oren And Sharon Shahaf, Routledge, 2011.

Lauhona Ganguly, & Marwan Kraidy, 'Crorepati and Hybridity: The Story of Who Wants to Be a Millionaire in India from a Political Economic Perspective', 2004.

Selected essays from *Transformative Works and Cultures* Vol.10, issue on 'Transformative Works and Fan Activism' (Henry Jenkins And Sangita Shresthova eds), 2012.

## 3.4

#### **Practical Filmmaking**

The students will be required to create individual video studies, learn basic video editing and camera operations through workshops, shoot under supervision, edit and assist on sound design. The end product will be a number of videos.

## 4.1

## Globalization, Culture and New Media

- 1. Theories of Globalization (Some Major Positions)
- 2. Public Domain and the Digital Commons (Copy Culture, Free Content, Intellectual Property Debates and New Image Practices)
- 3. Networks and Cybercultures (Informatization, The Internet And Aesthetic Conventions, Video Games)
- 4. Film Practice in the Digital Era

#### **Suggested Readings**

#### Theories of Globalization

Michael Hardt and Antonio Negri, 'Postmodernization or the Informatization of Production', in *Empire*, 2000.

Maurizio Lazzarato, 'Immaterial Labor', in Paolo Virno and Michael Hardt (eds), *Radical Thought in Italy: A Potential Politics*, 1996

Slavoj Zizek, 'From Domination to Exploitation and Revolt', in *The Year of Dreaming Dangerously*, 2012.

Eric Cazdyn and Imre Szeman, 'The Limits Of Liberalization', in After Globalization, 2011.

Tom Rockmore, 'Globalization And Terrorism: Modernity or Jihad?', in *Before And After 9/11: A Philosophical Examination Of Globalization, Terror, And History*, 2011.

Nivedita Menon and Aditya Nigam, 'Globalization II: New Economies of Desire', in *Power and Contestation: India since 1989*, 2007

### **Public Domain and the Digital Commons**

James Boyle, 'Why Intellectual Property?', in *The Public Domain: Enclosing The Commons of The Mind*, 2008.

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Ravi Sundaram, 'Other Networks: Media Urbanism and the Culture of the Copy in South Asia', in Joe Karaganis (ed), *Structures of Participation in Digital Culture*, 2007.

## **Networks and Cybercultures**

Lev Manovich, 'What Is New Media?', in The Language of New Media, 2001.

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Henry Jenkins, 'Afterword: Reflections on Politics in the Age of You Tube', in *Convergence Culture:* Where Old and New Media Collide, 2006.

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Selections from Daniel Riha and Anna Maj (eds), *Emerging Practices in Cyberculture and Social Networking*, 2010

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Selections from Ian Kerr, Valerie Steeves and Carol Lucock (eds), *Lessons from the Identity Trail: Anonymity, Privacy And Identity in Networked Society*, 2009.

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Selections from Nick Dyer-Witheford and Greig De Peuter, *Games of Empire: Global Capitalism and Video Games*, 2009.

Selections from Jon Cogburn and Mark Silcox, Philosophy Through Video Games, 2009.

# Film Practice in the Digital Era

Selections from Nicholas Rombes, Cinema in the Digital Age, 2009.

Selections from Mark Kerins, Cinema in the Digital Sound Age, 2011.

Selections from Laikwan Pang, Cultural Control and Globalization in Asia: Copyright, Piracy and Cinema, 2006.

Selections from Antony Bryant and Griselda Pollock (eds), *Digital and Other Virtualities: Renegotiating the Image*, 2010.

## 4.2

#### Film Theory 3

- 1. Gender and Sexuality: Judith Butler, Laura Mulvey, Mary Ann Doanne, Richard Dyer, Dai Jin-hua
- 2. Affect, Sensation, Experience: Gilles Deleuze, Vivian Sobchak
- 3. Film Sound: Michel Chion, Rick Altman

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#### **Gender and Sexuality**

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Mary Ann Doane, 'Film and the Masquerade: Theorizing the Female Spectator', Screen 23(3-4),1982.

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#### **Contemporary Asian Cinema**

(Any 3 items)

- 1. The Idea of Asian Cinema (Mitsuhiro Yoshimoto, Kuan Hsing-chen, et al)
- 2. New East Asian Cinema since the 1980s (Case study of one among Chinese language/Korean cinema)
- 3. Genre Cinema (Japan, South Korea, Hong Kong)
- 4. Independent Movements (Philippines/ Thailand/ Malayasia/Sri Lanka)

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#### Dissertation

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