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[A Hundred Years of Japanese Film](#) Jun 02 2020 Donald Richie is one of the foremost authorities on Japanese cinema, and has produced several classic works, including books on the world-renowned directors Kurosawa and Ozu. Richie here offers a highly readable insider's look at the achievements of Japanese filmmakers. Donald Richie is one of the foremost authorities on Japanese cinema, and has produced several classic works, including books on the world-renowned directors Kurosawa and Ozu. Richie here offers a highly readable insider's look at the achievements of Japanese filmmakers. He begins in the late 1800s,

*Akira* Feb 20 2022 Successful in both Japan and the West, Akira had a huge impact on the international growth in popularity of manga and anime. Closely analysing the film and its key themes, Colin O'Dell and Michelle Le Blanc assess its historical importance, its impact on the Western perception of anime, and its influence on science fiction cinema.

[The Films of Akira Kurosawa](#) Jul 16 2021 Film scholars and enthusiasts will welcome this new edition of Donald Richie's incomparable study, last updated in 1984. The Method section, filmography, and bibliography contain new information, and Richie has added chapters on *Ran*, *Dreams*, *Rhapsody in August*, and *Madadayo*. Kurosawa's films display an extraordinary breadth and an astonishing strength, from the philosophic and sexual complexity of *Rashomon* to the moral dedication of *Ikiru*, from the naked violence of *Seven Samurai* to the savage comedy of *Yojimbo*, from the terror-filled feudalism of *Throne of Blood* to the piercing wit of *Sanjuro*. Running through all Kurosawa's work is a tough, humane, and profoundly ethical concern for the painful, beautiful, frequently ridiculous ambiguities of human life. Donald Richie's acclaimed study is as much a clear and winning introduction for those unfamiliar with Kurosawa's films as it is a bountiful critical appraisal for the initiate. Each film receives thorough sensitive examination, with many illustrations chosen by the author to underscore his analysis. Excerpts from the scripts, notes on camera usage and sound, reconstructions of outstanding moments - all these contribute insights into the director's powerful technique. In addition, Richie includes many quotes from his conversations with Kurosawa, allowing ideas and biographical information to emerge in the filmmaker's own words.

*Epic Theme and Scale in Two Films of Akira Kurosawa* May 14 2021

**The Emperor and the Wolf** Jun 26 2022 Akira Kurosawa and Toshiro Mifune made 16 feature films together, including "Rashomon, Seven Samurai,

" and "Yojimbo. The Emperor and the Wolf" is an in-depth look at these two great artists and their legacy that brims with behind-the-scenes details about their tumultuous lives and stormy relationships with the studios and with one another. Two 16-page photo inserts.

**Perspectives on Akira Kurosawa** Sep 29 2022 This collection of writings on Kurosawa includes selections from his *Something Like An Autobiography* and excerpts from interviews Kurosawa has given. It also presents tributes and critical writings on such landmark films as *Rashomon*, *Ikiru*, *Seven Samurai*, *Throne of Blood*, and *Ran*.

[Akira Kurosawa and Intertextual Cinema](#) Sep 17 2021 In *Akira Kurosawa and Intertextual Cinema*, James Goodwin draws on contemporary theoretical and critical approaches to explore the Japanese director's use of a variety of texts to create films that are uniquely intertextual and intercultural. Surveying all of Kurosawa's films and examining six films in depth -- *The Idiot*, *The Lower Depths*, *Rashomon*, *Ikiru*, *Throne of Blood*, and *Ran* -- Goodwin finds in Kurosawa's themes and techniques the capacity to restructure perceptions of Western and Japanese cultures and to establish new meanings in each.

**Akira Kurosawa** Jan 28 2020

*The Seven Samurai; a Film by Akira Kurosawa. English Translation and Introd. by Donald Richie* Aug 05 2020

*The Hero and the Grave* Oct 19 2021 The theme of death is an essential component of film narrative, particularly in how it affects the hero. Filmmakers from different cultures and backgrounds have developed distinct yet archetypal perspectives on death and the protagonist's response. Focusing on Western and Japanese period genre films, the author examines the work of John Ford (1894-1973), Akira Kurosawa (1910-1998) and Sergio Leone (1929-1989) and finds similarities regarding death's impact on the hero's sense of morality.

[Akira Kurosawa](#) Jul 28 2022 This work includes the collected interviews with the first Japanese film director to become widely known in the West when his film "Rashomon" won the top prize at the Venice Film Festival in 1951.

**Warrior's Camera** Jul 04 2020

**Ikiru** Dec 09 2020

*Akira Kurosawa* Mar 04 2023 This is an accessible look at the films of Akira Kurosawa, whose movies are works of art and popular culture touchstones, influencing such directors as George Lucas and Steven Spielberg. The author examines all of the director's works and explains why that film is culturally significant and what makes it an enjoyable viewing experience.

**Akira Kurosawa** Jan 22 2022 This is the first and only illustrated book on the work of the master filmmaker Akira Kurosawa timed for the centennial of his birth. By looking at the full range of Kurosawa's films, this book captures the meticulously crafted visual style of one of the world's great directors in more than 200 images, many never before published. Akira Kurosawa is arguably the greatest of all Japanese film directors and is respected around the world as one of the masters of the art form. This is the first illustrated book to pay tribute to his unmistakable style-with more than two hundred images, many never before published. The filmmaker is also famous for his attention to detail, and fans will delight in seeing annotated script pages, sketches, and storyboards that reveal the meticulous craft behind Kurosawa's genius. Peter Cowie examines how Kurosawa took the samurai genre to its apogee in such films as *Yojimbo* and *Seven Samurai*; his literary influences in such films as *Throne of Blood* [Macbeth] and *Ran* [King Lear]; and in his take on our relationship to the modern world in such films as *High and Low* and *Dreams*.

*Seven Samurai* May 02 2020

*Something Like An Autobiography* Nov 19 2021 Translated by Audie E. Bock. "A first rate book and a joy to read.... It's doubtful that a complete understanding of the director's artistry can be obtained without reading this book.... Also indispensable for budding directors are the addenda, in

which Kurosawa lays out his beliefs on the primacy of a good script, on scriptwriting as an essential tool for directors, on directing actors, on camera placement, and on the value of steeping oneself in literature, from great novels to detective fiction." --Variety "For the lover of Kurosawa's movies...this is nothing short of must reading...a fitting companion piece to his many dynamic and absorbing screen entertainments." --Washington Post Book World

**The Akira Book** May 26 2022 This is a book about Akira - the manga of 1982-90 and the movie of 1988, and about the creator of Akira, the genius artist Katsuhiro Otomo (b. 1954).

Compound Cinematics Aug 17 2021 Any list of Japan's greatest screenplay writers would feature Shinobu Hashimoto at or near the top. This memoir, focusing on his collaborations with Akira Kurosawa, a gifted scenarist in his own right, offers indispenable insider account for fans and students of the director's oeuvre and invaluable insights into the unique process that is writing for the screen. The vast majority of Kurosawa works were filmed from screenplays that the director co-wrote with a stable of steller writers, many of whom he discovered himself with his sharp eye for all things cinematic. Among these was Hashimoto, who caught the filmmaker's attention with a script that eventually turned into Roshamon. Thus joining Team Kurosawa the debutant immediately went on to paly an integral part in developing and writing two of the grandmaster's most impressive achievements, *Ikiru* and *Seven Samurai*.

*Rashomon* Jan 10 2021 *Rashomon* is one of the greatest of Japanese director Akira Kurosawa's films, the winner of the 1951 Venice Festival prize and the Academy Award for best foreign film in 1952. It features Toshiru Mifune, the best-known Japanese actor in the West, as the bandit, and accused rapist and murderer. At the beginning of the film, a woodcutter, priest, and commoner happen to meet at the ruined gate--*Rashomon*--outside the city of Kyoto. This tale of rape and murder is first seen through the eyes of the woodcutter and priest, both of whom have been touched by the events. The cynical, detached commoner, "everyman," listens to and comments upon their stories. The central section of the film, a series of flashbacks and tales within tales, consists of the same events retold by the husband (speaking through a medium, from the grave), the wife, the bandit, and the woodcutter. Each tells what happened--or possibly, what should have happened. The film deals with multiple truths; Richie summarized the director's point of view in the introduction: "the world is illusion, you yourself make reality, but this reality undoes you if you submit to being limited by what you have made." The sixth title in the Rutgers Films in Print Series and the first Japanese film, this volume brings together for the first time the full continuity script of *Rashomon*; an introductory essay by Donald Richie; the Akutagawa stories upon which the film is based; critical review and commentaries of the film; a filmography; and a bibliography. Donald Richie is the author of the definitive books in English on Kurosawa and Ozu. In addition, he is coauthor of the standard English-language history of the Japanese film and author or editor of several other books on the subject. He has also served as film critic for the *Japan Times* and as curator of film at the Museum of Modern Art in New York.

*Waiting on the Weather* Dec 01 2022 A revealing memoir about the director and his films, by his first assistant for fifty years.

Akira Kurosawa Aug 29 2022 "Most directors have one film for which they are known or possibly two," said Francis Ford Coppola. "Akira Kurosawa has eight or nine." Through masterpieces such as *Kagemusha*, *Seven Samurai*, and *High and Low*, Akira Kurosawa (1910–98) influenced directors from George Lucas and Steven Spielberg to Martin Scorsese, and his groundbreaking innovations in cinematography and editing, combined with his storytelling, made him a cinematic icon. In this succinct biography, Peter Wild evaluates Kurosawa's films while offering a view of the man behind the camera, from his family life to his global audience. After discussing Kurosawa's childhood in Japan, Wild explores his years as an assistant director at a new film studio and his early films during and after World War II before he won international acclaim with *Rashomon*. While surveying Kurosawa's impressive career, Wild also examines the myriad criticisms the director faced both within his own country and abroad—he was too influenced by

Western cinema; not authentically Japanese; and he was too sentimental, naïve, arrogant, or out of touch. By placing Kurosawa and his films in the context of his times, Wild helps us to understand the director and the reproaches against him. Cogent and concise, Akira Kurosawa will be essential reading for anyone interested in the work of this masterful filmmaker.

**Rashomon** Dec 21 2021

Akira Kurosawa - A Life in Film Sep 05 2020 Akira Kurosawa (1910-1988) is regarded as one of the most important and influential filmmakers in the history of cinema, having directed thirty films in a career spanning fifty-seven years. Akira Kurosawa: A Life in Film re-appraises his creative work through the prism of his film posters. Through this brilliantly simple approach, Leslie Megahey, Martin Bridgewater, and Bruce Marchant have selected and reproduced ninety film posters from the Martin Bridgewater collection that--besides being beautiful in their own right--offer a fascinating level of interpretation on Kurosawa's films. In addition, Megahey, who interviewed Kurosawa for the BBC documentary, contributes twelve chapters that explore key aspects of his life and films. Megahey looks at issues such as artistic freedom in occupied Japan after World War II; the impact of world fame on Kurosawa's work; his major collaborators and actors; his middle years and personal problems of the era; and, finally, his greatest achievements. Beautifully produced, with full-color posters and ephemera from Japan, the Americas, Western and Eastern Europe, this book offers a spectacular vision of Kurosawa's films and a long-awaited reappraisal of his enduring work.

**Akira Kurosawa and Modern Japan** Feb 08 2021 The samurai films of legendary Japanese director Akira Kurosawa are set in the past, but they tell us much about the present, as do his crime stories, romances, military films, medical dramas and art films. His movies are beloved for their timeless protagonists and haunting vistas of old Japan, but we haven't yet fully grasped everything they can teach us about modern Japan. Kurosawa's films evolved as Japan redefined and reinvented itself, from movies made for the wartime regime to those made amid the trials of American occupation. From the lavish epics of the economic miracle years to searching masterpieces made with international assistance in a globalizing world, Kurosawa's movies responded to changing times. This detailed study of all 30 of Kurosawa's films analyzes the links between the thrilling narratives onscreen and the equally remarkable events that occurred in Japan over his long, productive career. This book explores how Kurosawa's classics depict the political, economic, cultural, sexual and environmental upheavals of a nation at the center of a turbulent century, both directly and through period-piece mythmaking.

*The Influence of Western Culture on the Films of Akira Kurosawa* Oct 07 2020

*Kurosawa* Apr 12 2021 This work will become not only the newly definitive study of Kurosawa, but will redefine the field of Japanese cinema studies, particularly as the field exists in the west.

*Akira Kurosawa* Oct 31 2022

*AK 100* Feb 03 2023

**Rashomon Effects** Mar 31 2020 Akira Kurosawa is widely known as the director who opened up Japanese film to Western audiences, and following his death in 1998, a process of reflection has begun about his life's work as a whole and its legacy to cinema. Kurosawa's 1950 film Rashomon has become one of the best-known Japanese films ever made, and continues to be discussed and imitated more than 60 years after its first screening. This book examines the cultural and aesthetic impacts of Akira Kurosawa's Rashomon, as well as the director's larger legacies to cinema, its global audiences and beyond. It demonstrates that these legacies are manifold: not only cinematic and artistic, but also cultural and cognitive. The book moves from an examination of one filmmaker and his immediate social context in Japan, and goes on to explore how an artist's ideas might transcend their cultural origins to ultimately provide global influences. Discussing how Rashomon's effects began to multiply with the film being re-imagined

and repurposed in numerous media forms in the decades that followed its initial release, the book also shows that the film and its ideas have been applied to a wider range of social and cultural phenomena in a variety of institutional contexts. It addresses issues beyond the realm of Rashomon within film studies, extending to the Rashomon effect, which itself has become a widely recognized English term referring to the significantly different interpretations of different eyewitnesses to the same dramatic event. As the first book on Rashomon since Donald Richie's 1987 anthology, it will be invaluable to students and scholars of film studies, film history, Japanese cinema and communication studies. It will also resonate more broadly with those interested in Japanese culture and society, anthropology and philosophy.

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**AK100** Jun 14 2021 This book is designed to accompany the 25 films issued together. Book includes a biography of Akira Kurosawa followed by details of each film issued in the collection. The book concludes with a remembrance by Donald Richie.

**The Warrior's Camera** Jan 02 2023 The Japanese film director Akira Kurosawa, who died at the age of 88, has been internationally acclaimed as a giant of world cinema. *Rashomon*, which won both the Venice Film Festival's grand prize and an Academy Award for best foreign-language film, helped ignite Western interest in the Japanese cinema. *Seven Samurai* and *Yojimbo* remain enormously popular both in Japan and abroad. In this newly revised and expanded edition of his study of Kurosawa's films, Stephen Prince provides two new chapters that examine Kurosawa's remaining films, placing him in the context of cinema history. Prince also discusses how Kurosawa furnished a template for some well-known Hollywood directors, including Martin Scorsese, Steven Spielberg, and George Lucas. Providing a new and comprehensive look at this master filmmaker, *The Warrior's Camera* probes the complex visual structure of Kurosawa's work. The book shows how Kurosawa attempted to symbolize on film a course of national development for post-war Japan, and it traces the ways that he tied his social visions to a dynamic system of visual and narrative forms. The author analyzes Kurosawa's entire career and places the films in context by drawing on the director's autobiography--a fascinating work that presents Kurosawa as a Kurosawa character and the story of his life as the kind of spiritual odyssey witnessed so often in his films. After examining the development of Kurosawa's visual style in his early work, *The Warrior's Camera* explains how he used this style in subsequent films to forge a politically committed model of filmmaking. It then demonstrates how the collapse of Kurosawa's efforts to participate as a filmmaker in the tasks of social reconstruction led to the very different cinematic style evident in his most recent films, works of pessimism that view the world as resistant to change.

**Seven Samurai** Mar 24 2022

*Seven Samurai* Feb 29 2020 In the film 'Seven Samurai' (1954) a whole society is on the verge of irrevocable change. Many people consider this film a major achievement in Japanese cinema, an epic that evokes the cultural upheaval brought on by the collapse of Japanese militarism in the 16th century, echoing the sweeping changes occurring in the aftermath of the American occupation. The plot is deceptively simple. A village of farmers is beset by a horde of bandits, and in desperation the village hires itinerant samurai to protect their crops and their village. In the end the samurai see off the bandits. Together the samurai reflect the ideals and values of a noble class near the point of extinction. The film may be a technical masterpiece, and despite its movement and violence it appears to be a lament for a lost nobility. In this book Mellen contextualizes 'Seven Samurai', marking its place in Japanese cinema, and in director, Akira Kurosawa's career. Mellen explores the film's roots in mediaeval history and the film's

visual language.

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[Remaking Kurosawa](#) Nov 07 2020 Through the lens of Akira Kurosawa's films, Martinez dissects the human tendency to make connections in a pioneering attempt to build a bridge out of diverse materials: the anthropology of Japan, film studies, and postmodern theory.

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