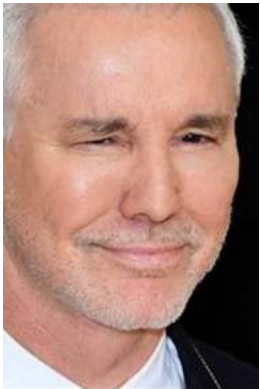


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Baz Luhrmann, the Australian director known for his visually extravagant and highly stylized films, has created his own distinctive cinematic universe that transcends traditional boundaries. With his unique vision and audacious approach to storytelling, Luhrmann has carved a niche for himself in the world of cinema. In this article, we delve into the fascinating world of Baz Luhrmann and explore the impact of his visionary filmmaking.



Baz Luhrmann (World Directors)

by Pam Cook (1st Edition, Kindle Edition)

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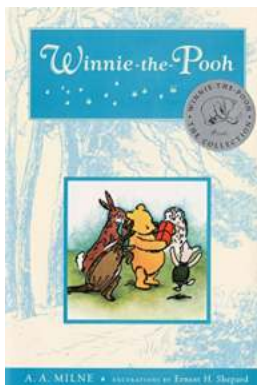
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This is the first major book-length study of the work of Australian film-maker Baz Luhrmann, one of the most exciting and controversial personalities working in World Cinema today. Luhrmann's reputation as an innovator rests on the evidence of the three films known as the Red Curtain Trilogy: *Strictly Ballroom* (1992), *William Shakespeare's Romeo + Juliet* (1996) and *Moulin Rouge!* (2001), which together demonstrate the development of a highly distinctive style and

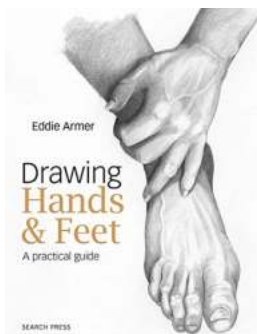
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Pam Cook, who was given unprecedented access to the Luhrmann private archives, explores the genesis of the Red Curtain aesthetic, from Luhrmann's early experience in theatre and opera to his collaborative working methods and unique production set-up. Drawing on in-depth interviews with Luhrmann and his chief collaborator, designer Catherine Martin, she traces the roots of their work in an increasingly globalised Australian film culture, investigating the relationship of their company Bazmark to the Hollywood studio Twentieth Century-Fox, and the influences on their style and production methods. At the book's heart are substantial analyses of the spectacular Red Curtain films and the historical epic *Australia* (2008). This lively and original study of one of contemporary cinema's most fascinating figures will appeal to film scholars, cultural historians and Luhrmann enthusiasts alike.



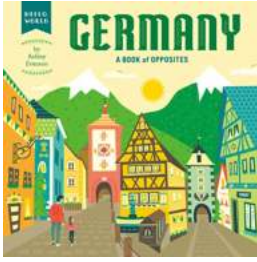
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