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**Course readings for**

**FIVA20: Scandinavian and European Film Culture (1-30 ECTS), Course 2 (7,5 ECTS)**

**FIVA07: Scandinavian and European Film: Festivals, Criticism, Society (7,5 ECTS)**

(Approved by the board of Section 2, Centre for Languages and Literature, June 8 2026)

**Resources**

Gocsik, Karen, Barsam, Richard & Monahan, Dave (2016), *Writing about Movies*, fourth edition. New York & London: Norton

Kuhn, Annette & Westwell, Guy (2012), *A Dictionary of Film Studies*. Oxford: Oxford University Press (Available via Finn)

**Required reading**

Elsaesser, Thomas (2005), *European Cinema: Face to Face with Hollywood*, Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press ('Film Festival Networks: The New Topographies of Cinema in Europe', 82–107). (26 pp.) (Available via Finn)

Fehrenbach, Heide (2020), 'The Berlin International Film Festival: Between Cold War Politics and Postwar Reorientation'. *Studies in European Cinema* 17, no. 2, 81–96. (15 pp.) (Available via Finn)

Frey, Mattias (2014), *The Permanent Crisis of Film Criticism: The Anxiety of Authority*, Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press. (196 pp.) (Available via Finn)

Harbord, Janet (2014). "Contingency, Time, and Event: An Archaeological Approach to the FilmFestival". In: *Film Festivals: History, Theory, Method, Practice*, eds. Marijke de Valck, Brendan Kredell and Skadi Loist,. London and New York: Routledge, 69–82. (14 pp.) (Available via Canvas)

Keathley, Christian (2011), 'La Caméra-Style: Notes on Video Criticism and Cinephilia'. In: *The Language and Style of Film Criticism*, eds. Alex Clayton & Andrew Klevan, London & New York: Routledge, 176–191. (16 pp.) (Available via Finn)

Lee, Kevin B. (2021), 'A Videographic Future Beyond Film'. *Necsus: European Journal of Media Studies* 10, no. 2, 33–39. (7 pp.) (Available via Finn)

Loist, Skadi (2011), 'Precarious Cultural Work: About the Organization of (Queer) Film Festivals'. *Screen* 52, no. 1, 268–273. (6 pp.) (Available via Finn)

McWrither, Andrew (2015), 'Film Criticism, Film Scholarship and the Video Essay'. *Screen* 56, no. 3, 369–377. (9 pp.) (Available via Finn)

Sayad, Cecilia (2015), 'Critics Through Authors: Dialogues, Similarities, and the Sense of a Crisis'. In: *Film Criticism in the Digital Age*, eds. Mattias Frey & Cecilia Sayad, New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press, 41–59. (19 pp.) (Available via Finn)

Šepetavc, Jasmina (2020), 'Transitions and Reinventions: The Slovenian LGBT Film Festival'. *Studies in European Cinema*, 1–19. (20 pp.) (Available via Finn)

Snyder, Sharon L. & David T. Mitchell (2008), "'How Do We Get All These Disabilities in Here?": Disability Film Festivals and the Politics of Atypicality'. *Canadian Journal of Film Studies* 17 no. 1, 11–29. (20 pp.) (Available via Finn)

Stone, Marla (2002), 'The Last Film Festival: The Venice Biennale Goes to War'. In: *Reviewing Fascism: Italian Cinema 1922-1943*, eds. Jacqueline Reich & Piero Garofalo, Bloomington and Indianapolis: Indiana University Press, 293–314. (22 pp.) (Available via Finn).

Taillibert, Christel (2018), "New Perspectives for Online Film Festivals". In: *International Film Festivals: Contemporary Cultures and History Beyond Venice and Cannes*, ed. Tricia Jenkins, London and New York: I.B. Tauris, 32–48. (pp. 13). (Available via Canvas).

de Valck, Marijke (2025 or earlier editions), *Film Festivals: From European Geopolitics to Global Cinephilia*. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press. (280 pp.) (Available via Finn)

Additional readings online or via the course platform. (Ca 50pp.)