



Cinema

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Unlike books, cinema directs and controls our attention and leaves less to the imagination. But that's why we love it: it *grabs us*. And even if it isn't always as deep as books, it can still teach us plenty. Here is a list of movies and series we liked, along with their directors/creators and the year/s in which they first screened.

1. [8½](#) (Federico Fellini, 1963)
2. [12](#) (Nikita Mikhalkov, 2007)
3. [12 Angry Men](#) (Sidney Lumet, 1957)
4. [1900](#) (Bernardo Bertolucci, 1976)
5. [2001: A Space Odyssey](#) (Stanley Kubrick, 1968)
6. ['71](#) (Yann Demange, 2014)
7. [A Clockwork Orange](#) (Stanley Kubrick, 1971)

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8. [Across the Universe](#) (Julie Taymor, 2007)
9. [All About My Mother](#) (Pedro Almodóvar, 1999)
10. [Amadeus](#) (Miloš Forman, 1984)
11. [Amarcord](#) (Federico Fellini, 1973)
12. [American Beauty](#) (Sam Mendes, 1999)
13. [Amores Perros](#) [Love is a Bitch] (Alejandro González Iñárritu, 2000)
14. [Angel Heart](#) (Alan Parker, 1987)
15. [Apocalypse Now](#) (Francis Ford Coppola, 1979)
16. [Arabian Nights](#) (Pier Paolo Pasolini, 1974)
17. [Bagdad Café](#) (Percy Adlon, 1987)
18. [Ballad on Naryama](#) (Shôhei Imamura, 1983)
19. [Barry Lyndon](#) (Stanley Kubrick, 1975)
20. [Bedrag](#) [Follow the Money] (Series, Jeppe Gjervig Gram, Jannik Tai Mosholt, Anders Frithiof August, 2016-)
21. [Being There](#) (Al Ashby, 1979)
22. [Betrayed](#) (Costa-Gavras, 1988)
23. [Black Cat, White Cat](#) (Emir Kusturica, 1998)
24. [Blood Simple](#) (Joel and Ethan Coen, 1985)
25. [Brazil](#) (Terry Gilliam, 1985)
26. [Breaking the Waves](#) (Lars von Trier, 1996)
27. [Breathless](#) (Jean-Luc Godard, 1960)
28. [Brother](#) (Aleksey Balabanov, 1997)
29. [Burn!](#) (Gillo Pontecorvo, 1969)
30. [Céline](#) (Jean-Claude Brisseau, 1992)
31. [Chernobyl](#) (Series, Craig Mazin, 2019)
32. [Chocolate](#) (Claire Denis, 1988)
33. [Cinema Paradiso](#) (Giuseppe Tornatore, 1988)
34. [City Lights](#) (Charles Chaplin, 1931)
35. [Cyrano de Bergerac](#) (Jean-Paul Rappeneau, 1990)
36. [Dances with Wolves](#) (Kevin Costner, 1990)
37. [Danton](#) (Andrzej Wajda, 1983)

38. [Darwin's Nightmare](#) (Hubert Sauper, 2004)
39. [Das Boot](#) (Wolfgang Petersen, 1981)
40. [Das Experiment](#) (Oliver Hirschbiegel, 2001)
41. [De Bruit et de Fureur](#) [Sound and Fury] (Jean-Claude Brisseau, 1988)
42. [Defiance](#) (Edward Zwick, 2008)
43. [Deliverance](#) (John Boorman, 1972)
44. [Departed](#) (Yôjirô Takita, 2008)
45. [Devs](#) (Series, Alex Garland, 2020)
46. [Diva](#) (Jean-Jacques Beineix, 1981)
47. [Dog Day Afternoon](#) (Sidney Lumet, 1975)
48. [Dogville](#) (Lars Von Trier, 2003)
49. [D.O.A.](#) (Annabel Jankel & Rocky Morton, 1988)
50. [Donna Flor and her Two Husbands](#) (Bruno Barreto, 1976)
51. [Down by Law](#) (Jim Jarmusch, 1986)
52. [Dr. Strangelove](#) (Stanley Kubrick, 1964)
53. [Eastern Promises](#) (David Cronenberg, 2007)
54. [El Norte](#) (Gregory Nava, 1983)
55. [Europa Europa](#) (Agnieszka Holland, 1990)
56. [Eyes Wide Shut](#) (Stanley Kubrick, 1999)
57. [Falling Down](#) (Joel Schumacher, 1993)
58. [Fahrenheit 11/9](#) (Michael Moore, 2018)
59. [Fargo](#) (Joel and Ethan Coen, 1996)
60. [Fauda](#), (Series, Lior Raz and Avi Issacharoff, 2015-2018)
61. [Fellini's Casanova](#) (Federico Fellini, 1976)
62. [Fight Club](#) (David Fincher, 1999)
63. [Fog of War](#) (Errol Morris, 2003)
64. [Forrest Gump](#) (Robert Zemeckis, 1994)
65. [Full Metal Jacket](#) (Stanley Kubrick, 1987)
66. [Gadjo Dilo](#) [The Crazy Stranger] (Tony Gatlif, 1997)
67. [Gangs of New York](#) (Martin Scorsese, 2002)

68. [Goodfellas](#) (Martin Scorsese, 1990)
69. [Gran Torino](#) (Clint Eastwood, 2008)
70. [Homeland](#) (Series, Howard Gordon and Alex Gansa, 2011-2020)
71. [House of Sand and Fog](#) (Vadim Perelman, 2003)
72. [Icarus](#) (Bryan Fogel, 2017)
73. [In Darkness](#) (Agnieszka Holland, 2011)
74. [In the Mood for Love](#) (Kar Wai Wong, 2000)
75. [Inception](#) (Christopher Nolan, 2010)
76. [IP5](#) (Jean-Jacques Beineix, 1992)
77. [Jackie Brown](#) (Quentin Tarantino, 1997)
78. [JFK](#) (Oliver Stone, 1991)
79. [Jules and Jim](#) (François Truffaut, 1962)
80. [King of Devil's Island](#) (Marius Holst, 2010)
81. [La Battaglia di Algeri](#) [The Battle of Algiers] (Gillo Pontecorvo, 1966)
82. [La Dolce Vita](#) (Federico Fellini, 1960)
83. [La Notte di San Lorenzo](#) [The Night of the Shooting Stars] (Paolo & Vittorio Taviani, 1982)
84. [Lady Vengeance](#) (Chan-wook Park, 2005)
85. [Land of Mine](#) (Martin Zandvliet, 2015)
86. [Le Bal](#) (Ettore Scola, 1983)
87. [Le Couperet](#) (Costa-Gavras, 2005)
88. [Le Dernier Combat](#) [The Last Battle] (Luc Besson, 1983)
89. [Le Dernier Métro](#) [The Last Metro] (François Truffaut, 1980)
90. [Le Retour de Martin Guerre](#) (Daniel Vigne, 1982)
91. [Le Roi et L'oiseau](#) [The King and the Mockingbird] (Paul Grimault, 1980)
92. [Le Souffle au Cœur](#) [Murmur of the Heart] (Luis Malle, 1971)
93. [Le Temps des Gitans](#) [Time of the Gypsies] (Emir Kusturica, 1998)
94. [Les Misérables du XXeme siecle](#) (Claude Lelouch, 1995)
95. [Les Plouffe](#) (Gilles Carle, 1981)
96. [Les Valseuses](#) [Going Places] (Bertrand Blier, 1974)
97. [Letters from Iwo Jima](#) (Clint Eastwood, 2006)

98. [Leviathan](#) (Andrey Zvyagintsev, 2014)
99. [Life is Beautiful](#) (Roberto Benigni, 1997)
100. [Lili Marlene](#) (Rainer Werner Fassbinder, 1981)
101. [Little Big Man](#) (Arthur Penn, 1970)
102. [Locke](#) (Steven Knight, 2013)
103. [Mad Max](#) (George Miller, 1979)
104. [Man of Iron](#) (Andrzej Wajda, 1981)
105. [Man of Marble](#) (Andrzej Wajda, 1977)
106. [Man on Wire](#) (James Marsh, 2008)
107. [Matewan](#) (John Sayles, 1987)
108. [Memento](#) (Christopher Nolan, 2000)
109. [Metropolis](#) (Fritz Lang, 1927)
110. [Midnight Cowboy](#) (John Schlesinger, 1969)
111. [Midnight Express](#) (Alan Parker, 1978)
112. [Mississippi Burning](#) (Alan Parker, 1988)
113. [Modern Times](#) (Charles Chaplin, 1936)
114. [Mon Oncle](#) [My Uncle] (Jacques Tati, 1958)
115. [Montenegro](#) (Dusan Makavejev, 1981)
116. [Moneyball](#) (Bennett Miller, 2011)
117. [My Left Foot](#) (Jim Sheridan, 1989)
118. [Mulholland Dr.](#) (David Lynch, 2001)
119. [Music Box](#) (Costa Gavras, 1989)
120. [Narcos](#) (Series, Chris Brancato, Carlo Bernard, and Doug Miro, 2015-2017)
121. [Network](#) (Sidney Lumet, 1976)
122. [Nikita](#) (Luc Besson, 1990)
123. [Nobody Speaks](#) (Brian Knappenberger, 2017)
124. [Noce Blanche](#) [White Wedding] (Jean-Claude Brisseau, 1989)
125. [Norma Rae](#) (Martin Ritt, 1979)
126. [No Country for Old Men](#) (Joel and Ethan Coen, 2007)
127. [No Direction Home: Bob Dylan](#) (Martin Scorsese, 2005)

128. [O Brother, Where Art Thou?](#) (Joel and Ethan Coen, 2000)
129. [Of Mice and Men](#) (Lewis Milestone, 1939)
130. [Oldboy](#) (Chan-wook Park, 2003)
131. [Once Were Warriors](#) (Lee Tamahori, 1994)
132. [One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest](#) (Miloš Forman, 1975)
133. [Our Daily Bread](#) (Nikolaus Geyrhalter, 2005)
134. [Pan's Labyrinth](#) (Guillermo del Toro, 2006)
135. [Paths of Glory](#) (Stanley Kubrick, 1957)
136. [Peaky Blinders](#) (Series, Steven Knight, 2013-)
137. [Platoon](#) (Oliver Stone, 1986)
138. [Pulp Fiction](#) (Quentin Tarantino, 1994)
139. [Ragtime](#) (Miloš Forman, 1981)
140. [Rashômon](#) (Akira Kurosawa, 1950)
141. [Reservoir Dogs](#) (Quentin Tarantino, 1992)
142. [Rivers and Tides](#) (Thomas Riedelsheimer, 2001)
143. [Robocop](#) (Paul Verhoeven, 1987)
144. [Roger & Me](#) (Michael Moore, 1989)
145. [Roma](#) (Federico Fellini, 1972)
146. [Room](#) (Lenny Abrahamson, 2015)
147. [Rosewood](#) (John Singleton, 1997)
148. [Run Lola, Run](#) (Tom Tykwer, 1998)
149. [Running on Empty](#) (Sidney Lumet, 1988)
150. [Satyricon](#) (Federico Fellini, 1969)
151. [Schindler's List](#) (Steven Spielberg, 1993)
152. [Searching for Sugar Man](#) (Malik Bendjelloul, 2012)
153. [Secrets and Lies](#) (Mike Leigh, 1996)
154. [Serpico](#) (Sidney Lumet, 1973)
155. [Seven Beauties](#) (Lina Wertmüller, 1975)
156. [Seven Samurai](#) (Akira Kurosawa, 1954)
157. [Shine](#) (Scott Hicks, 1996)

158. [Sicario](#) (Denis Villeneuve, 2015)
159. [Sleeping with the Enemy](#) (Joseph Ruben, 1991)
160. [Starred Up](#) (David Mackenzie, 2013)
161. [Straw Dogs](#) (Sam Peckinpah, 1971)
162. [Such a Long Journey](#) (Sturla Gunnarsson, 1998)
163. [Sunshine](#) (István Szabó, 1999)
164. [Talk to Her](#) (Pedro Almodóvar, 2002)
165. [Taxi Driver](#) (Martin Scorsese, 1976)
166. [The Act of Killing](#) (Joshua Lincoln Oppenheimer, 2012)
167. [The Band's Visit](#) (Eran Kolirin, 2007)
168. [The Big Kahuna](#) (John Swanbeck, 1999)
169. [The Bridges of Madison County](#) (Clint Eastwood, 1995)
170. [The Bureau](#) (Series, Éric Rochant, 2015-2020)
171. [The Celebration](#) (Thomas Vinterberg, 1998)
172. [The Century of the Self](#) (Series, Adam Curtis, 2002)
173. [The China Syndrome](#) (James Bridges, 1979)
174. [The Coca-Cola Kid](#) (Dusan Makavejev, 1985)
175. [The Commitments](#) (Alan Parker, 1991)
176. [The Cook, The Thief His Wife & Her Lover](#) (Peter Greenaway, 1989)
177. [The Crying Game](#) (Neil Jordan, 1992)
178. [The Dear Hunter](#) (Michael Cimino, 1978)
179. [The Emerald Forest](#) (John Boorman, 1985)
180. [The English Patient](#) (Anthony Minghella, 1996)
181. [The Full Monty](#) (Peter Cattaneo, 1997)
182. [The General](#) (John Boorman, 1998)
183. [The Godfather](#) (I, II and III) (Francis Ford Coppola, 1972, 1974, 1990)
184. [The Killing Fields](#) (Roland Joffé, 1984)
185. [The Last Emperor](#) (Bernardo Bertolucci, 1987)
186. [The Life of David Gale](#) (Alan Parker, 2003)
187. [The Lives of Others](#) (Florian Hanckel von Donnersmarck, 2006)

188. [The Man Who Planted Trees](#) (Frédéric Back, 1988)
189. [The Matrix](#) (Lana Wachowsky, 1999)
190. [The Pianist](#) (Roman Polanski, 2002)
191. [The Piano](#) (Jane Campion, 1993)
192. [The Return](#) (Andrei Zvyagintsev, 2003)
193. [The Road Warrior](#) (George Miller, 1981)
194. [The Salt of the Earth](#) (Wim Wenders and Juliano Ribeiro Salgado, 2014)
195. [The Sheltering Sky](#) (Bernardo Bertolucci, 1990)
196. [The Shining](#) (Stanley Kubrick, 1980)
197. [The Silence of the Lambs](#) (Jonathan Demme, 1991)
198. [The Stoning of Soraya](#) (Cyrus Nowrasteh, 2008)
199. [The Syrian Bride](#) (Eran Riklis, 2004)
200. [The Tin Men](#) (Barry Levinson, 1987)
201. [The Truman Show](#) (Peter Weir, 1998)
202. [The Unbearable Lightness of Being](#) (Philip Kaufman, 1988)
203. [The Vanishing](#) (George Sluizer, 1988)
204. [The White Ribbon](#) (Michael Haneke, 2009)
205. [The Wire](#) (HBO series, 2002-2008)
206. [Thelma & Louise](#) (Ridley Scott, 1991)
207. [There Will Be Blood](#) (Paul Thomas Anderson, 2007)
208. [Titus](#) (Julie Taymor, 1999)
209. [Trafic](#) (Jacques Tati, 1971)
210. [Touch of Evil](#) (Orson Welles, 1958)
211. [Underground](#) (Emir Kusturica, 1995)
212. [Unforgiven](#) (Clint Eastwood, 1992)
213. [Up](#) (Series, Paul Almond and Michael Apted, 1964-2019).
214. [Vitus](#) (Fred M. Murer, 2007)
215. [Waltz with Bashir](#) (Ari Folman, 2008)
216. [Waste Land](#) (Lucy Walker, 2010)
217. [Week-end](#) (Jean-Luc Godard, 1967)

- 218. [When Father was Away on Business](#) (Emir Kusturica, 1985)
- 219. [Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?](#) (Mike Nichols, 1966)
- 220. [Z](#) (Costa Gavras, 1969)
- 221. [Zazie dans le Métro](#) (Louis Malle, 1960)
- 222. [Un Zoo la Nuit](#) (Jean-Claude Lauzon, 1987)