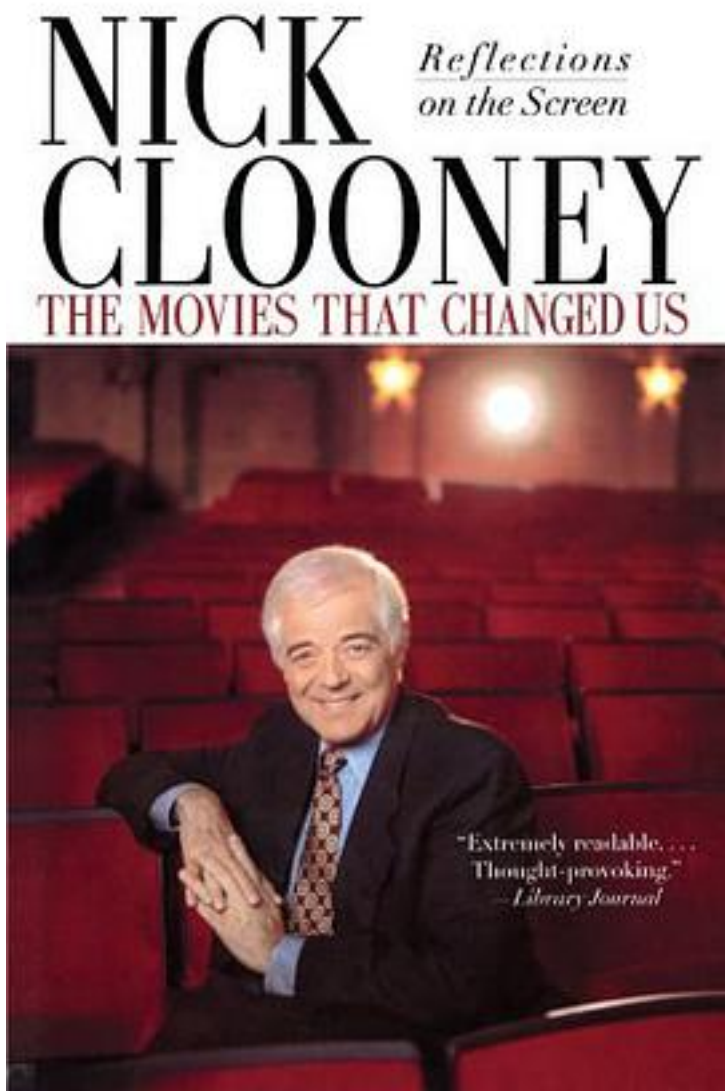


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Nick Clooney, one of America's most respected film critics and historians, presents a distinctive catalog of movies that have influenced and altered not only the world of cinema, but also the world in which we live. Since the advent of moving pictures, there have been films that exist as more than just entertainment. These rare movies have touched the collective soul of the public with such passion and artistic skill that they have actually changed the way we view life, history, and ourselves. Some have transformed the way movies are made and viewed -- and some have actually transformed us. In *The Movies That Changed Us*, Clooney explores, explains, and theorizes upon twenty films -- reaching from 1998 back to 1915 -- that forever shifted our perceptions about race, religion, sex, politics, and the very definition of humanity. From the ambitiously epic -- though manifestly racist -- *Birth of a Nation*, to the controversial violence of *Taxi Driver*, to the mythic idealism and visual cornucopia of *2001:A Space Odyssey* and *Star Wars*, Clooney relates the stories behind the camera in an informative, engaging, and personal chronicle of cinema and society.

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