Night and the Cities: The Suspense-driven World of Film Noir

Session 3 — The Big Guns Tangle With Noir

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Thursday, November 17, 2022 - 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. ET

List of films from directors under discussion:

Howard Hawks

To Have and Have Not (Warner Bros. 1944; Warner Home Video)
The Big Sleep (Warner Bros. 1945-46; Warner Home Video) (Note: while Hawks's

initial 1945 version of *The Big Sleep* is fascinating, the re-edited and revised 1946 edition is far superior. Both versions are available on DVD.)

Alfred Hitchcock

Shadow of a Doubt (Universal 1943)
Notorious (R-K-O 1946; The Criterion Collection)
Strangers on a Train (Warner Bros. 1951)
I Confess (Warner Bros, 1953)
The Wrong Man (Warner Bros. 1957)

Elia Kazan

Boomerang! (20th Century-Fox 1947)
Panic in the Streets (20th Century-Fox 1950)
On the Waterfront (Columbia Pictures 1954)

Stanley Kubrick

Killer's Kiss (United Artists 1955)

The Killing (United Artists 1956; The Criterion Collection).

Akira Kurosawa

Drunken Angel (1948; The Criterion Collection)
Stray Dog (1949; The Criterion Collection)
The Bad Sleep Well (1960; Tohoscope; The Criterion Collection)
High and Low (1963; Tohoscope; The Criterion Collection)

Joseph L. Mankiewicz

Somewhere in the Night (20th Century-Fox 1946) No Way Out (20th Century-Fox 1950)

Anthony Mann

The Great Flamarion (Republic Pictures 1945)

Strange Impersonation (Republic Pictures 1946)

Desperate (R-K-0 1947)

Railroaded! (Eagle-Lion 1947)

T-Men (Eagle-Lion 1947; Classic Flix)

He Walked by Night (Eagle-Lion 1948; Classic Flix). Co-director

Raw Deal (Eagle-Lion 1948; Classic Flix)

Border Incident (M-G-M 1949)

Side Street (M-G-M 1950)

The Tall Target (M-G-M 1951)

Carol Reed

Odd Man Out (British 1947; The Criterion Collection)

The Fallen Idol (British 1947; The Criterion Collection)

The Third Man (British 1949; The Criterion Collection)

Orson Welles (see Chapter 4)

Journey into Fear (R-K-0 1942). Actor/producer

The Stranger (R-K-O 1946; The Criterion Collection; Olive Films) Actor/director

The Lady from Shanghai (Columbia Pictures 1948) Actor/writer/director

The Third Man (UK 1949) Actor

Mr. Arkadin/Confidential Report (French 1955) Actor/writer/director

Man in the Shadow (Universal-International 1957; CinemaScope) Actor

Touch of Evil (Universal-International 1958) Actor/director

Compulsion (20th Century-Fox 1959; CinemaScope) Actor

Billy Wilder (see Chapter 2)

Double Indemnity (Paramount 1944)

Sunset Blvd. (Paramount 1950)

Ace in the Hole (aka The Big Carnival) (Paramount 1951; The Criterion Collection)

Robert Wise

Criminal Court (R-K-O 1946)

Born to Kill (R-K-O 1947)

Mystery in Mexico (R-K-O 1948)

Blood on the Moon (R-K-O 1948)

The Set-Up (R-K-O 1949)

The House on Telegraph Hill (20th Century-Fox 1951)

The Captive City (United Artists 1952)

I Want to Live! (United Artists 1958)

Odds Against Tomorrow (United Artists 1959)

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