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At the beginning of your essay, below the title, provide a 50–100 word abstract of your essay.

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When films are initially cited, provide the director's first and last name, as well as the release date, in parentheses. For videogames, cite the company that created the game and the original release year. For television or radio series, provide the original channel/network and run dates. Sometimes this can be tricky—when syndication is an issue, for example, or when a show has different release dates in different countries. If you have questions, get in touch with us via email at editors@cinemajournal.org, and we'll try to resolve them.

Your writing should work to achieve gender neutrality in references to unspecified or generic persons. This often involves rewording your prose (*CMOS* 5.255 provides many such rewording strategies). If rewording is not possible, please substitute the plural they and their for the singular he or she.

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Translated text

Please provide translations for non-English words that are unlikely to be familiar to our readership, paying careful attention to *CMOS* Chapter 11.

When translations of words are needed, please italicize the translation and enclose it with parentheses.

He said that to fish (*pêcher*) was to sin (*pécher*).

However, if the translation follows the foreign word, italicize the foreign word(s) and place the translation in parentheses or quotation marks. Italics are needed for isolated words and phrases if the words are unlikely to be familiar to the reader.

The word she wanted was *pécher* (to sin), not *pêcher* (to fish).

The Prakrit word *majjao*, “the tomcat,” may be a dialect version of either of two Sanskrit words: *madjaro*, “my lover,” or *marjaro*, “the cat” (from the verb *mrij*, “to wash,” because the cat constantly washes itself).

Longer foreign passages do not require italics. The English translation should follow in parentheses.

A line from Goethe, “Wer nie sein Brot mit Tränen aß” (Who never ate his bread with tears), comes to mind.

À vrai dire, Abélard n’avoue pas un tel rationalisme: “je ne veux pas être si philosophe, écrit-il, que je résiste à Paul, ni si aristotélicien que je me sépare du Christ.” (As a matter of fact, Abelard admits no such rationalism. “I do not wish to be so much of a philosopher,” he writes, “that I resist Paul, nor so much of an Aristotelian that I separate myself from Christ.”)

For translated titles in the body of the essay, please provide the English translation first, and then the foreign translation in parentheses. Note the shift from headline-style capitalization to sentence-style capitalization.

A Chinese textbook, *Elementary Learning* (*Xiao xue*), has gained a wide following.

If an English translation of a title is needed in endnote citations, please place it after the original title and enclose it in brackets.

Henryk Wereszycki, *Koniec sojuszu trzech cesarzy* [The End of the Three Emperors’ League] (Warsaw: PWN, 1977); includes a summary in German.

Foreign proper nouns do not require italics, nor do foreign words that are likely to be familiar in an English context.

A history of the Comédie-Française has just appeared.

Mexico City's Ángel de la Independencia is known familiarly as "El Ángel." in vitro, a priori, etc.

Actual English titles of films, as released by English-speaking companies, should use headline-style capitalization and italic font.

***Les quatre cents coups* (*The 400 Blows*, Francois Truffaut, 1959)**

Translations of foreign titles, which do not currently exist as English titles, should use headline-style capitalization and Roman font.

***Ithu Kathirvelan Kadhal* (*This is Kathirvelan's Love*, S. R. Prabhakaran, 2014)**

Documentation

Check your endnotes carefully against *CMOS*, paying careful attention to Chapter 14. Please ensure that you are using em dashes (—), not hyphens or double-hyphens.

For example, Vertov's newsreels were called *Kino-Pravda*—camera truth—after the newspaper title.

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For example, not 1954-1975, but rather 1954–1975.

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Our house style requires that endnotes with multiple citations and commentary should include the commentary before the source the commentary is related to.

For example, journalist Rosie DiManno described the attacks as "pointless, fanatical, and cowardly," and the consequence of "the whims of madmen." Quoted in Elaine Tyler May, "Echoes of the Cold War: The Aftermath of September 11 at Home," in *September 11 in History: A Watershed Moment?* ed. Mary L. Dudziak (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2003), 36–37.

Multiple citations in a note should not be lumped together at the end (as this makes it difficult to determine what the commentary is referring to):

For example, Brooker argues that in his promotion of *Batman Begins*, Christopher Nolan brought Joel Schumacher's two films into view in order to disavow them. See Will Brooker, *Hunting the Dark Knight* (London: I. B. Tauris, 2012), 92. For further discussion of Joel Schumacher's Batman films, see Will Brooker, *Batman Unmasked* (London: Continuum, 2000), 171.

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Films or television shows should be cited in-text, e.g., "in *Superman Returns* (Brian Singer, 2006)."

Include directors (full names) and release years for all movies mentioned. For music videos, give the name of the director and the release year, e.g., "the video for Madonna's *Express Yourself* (David Fincher, 1989)."

Include production companies and inclusive years for TV series mentioned, e.g., *Terminator: The Sarah Connor Chronicles* (Fox, 2008–2009).

Ongoing comic book series should be cited in-text like TV series, e.g., *Sandman* (Vertigo, 1989–1996).

First mentions of directors, authors, etc. must use full names, while subsequent mentions of the same directors, authors, etc., may be last name only. First mentions of films, television shows, etc. should use the full title; subsequent mentions can use a shortened version. Please be sure to be consistent with shortened versions of titles.

The official title of an album (and sometimes a title under which it has come to be known) is italicized; that of the artist, performer, or ensemble is set in roman, e.g., *Reality* (David Bowie, 2003).

Individual items on the album—songs, movements, and the like—are treated as illustrated in the following example:

The single "Revolution" should not be confused with "Revolution 1," an earlier take of the song that appeared on *The Beatles* (a.k.a. *The White Album*).

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Endnote Examples

In line with *CMOS 17*, a short form citation rather than the use of *ibid* should be used if two references to the same work are made. An example of such a short form is included in the below example of a single-author book. See *CMOS 14.34* for additional guidance.

Additionally, whenever possible a DOI-based URL should be used when citing digital articles. For example, <https://doi.org/10.xxxx/xxxxx>. Do not insert manual line breaks within URLs—any awkward formatting will be corrected for the published version of the article.

Books:

A single-author book:

- 1. Atul Gawande, *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End* (London: Profile Books, 2014), 79–80.**
- 2. Gawande, *Being Mortal*, 191.**

An e-book:

Adam Begley, *Updike* (New York: Harper, 2014), chap. 2, iBooks.

Mary Ann Noe, *Ivory Trenches: Adventures of an English Teacher* (self-pub., Amazon Digital Services, 2016), loc. 444 of 3023, Kindle.

A book with two or more authors or editors:

Kathryn Sorrells and Sachi Sekimoto, eds., *Globalizing Intercultural Communication: A Reader* (Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE, 2015), xvi.

For a book with four to ten authors or editors use the name of the first listed author and et al.:

Natalia V. Gmuca et al., "The Fat and the Furriest: Morphological Changes in Harp Seal Fur with Ontogeny," *Physiological and Biochemical Zoology* 88, no. 2 (March/April 2015): 158.

If the author or editor of a book is unknown then the citation should begin with the title:

***Stanze in lode della donna brutta* (Florence, 1547).**

For a book with an editor or translator but no author:

Jennifer Egan, ed., *The Best American Short Stories, 2014* (Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2014), 100.

Theodore Silverstein, trans., *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1974), 34.

For a book with an editor or translator in addition to an author:

Yves Bonnefoy, *New and Selected Poems*, ed. John Naughton and Anthony Rudolf (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1995).

***Four Farces by Georges Feydeau*, trans. Norman R. Shapiro (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1970).**

For a book with both an editor and a translator:

Theodor W. Adorno and Walter Benjamin, *The Complete Correspondence, 1928–1940*, ed. Henri Lonitz, trans. Nicholas Walker (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1999).

A contribution to a multi-author work:

Ruth A. Miller, "Posthuman," in *Critical Terms for the Study of Gender*, ed. Catharine R. Stimpson and Gilbert Herdt (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2014), 325.

For an edition of a book which is not the first:

Kathryn Parker Boudett, Elizabeth A. City, and Richard J. Murnane, eds., *Data Wise: A Step-by-Step Guide to Using Assessment Results to Improve Teaching and Learning*, rev. ed. (Cambridge, MA: Harvard Education Press, 2013), 101.

Citation of a book that is part of a multivolume work:

***The Complete Tales of Henry James*, ed. Leon Edel, vol. 5, 1883–1884 (London: Rupert Hart-Davis, 1963), 32–33.**

Comics:

Graphic novels should be cited like books:

Frank Miller, Klaus Janson, John Costanza, Lynn Varley, Dick Giordano, Dennis O’Neill, *Batman: The Dark Knight Returns* (New York: DC Comics, 1986).

Ongoing comic series should be cited like television shows:

***Batman* (DC Comics, 1939–).**

Journal Articles:

An article within a journal:

Donald Maletz, “Tocqueville’s Tangents to Democracy,” *American Political Thought* 4, no. 4 (Fall 2015): 615.

If the article is online:

Priyamvada Paudyal et al., “Obtaining Self-Samples to Diagnose Curable Sexually Transmitted Infections: A Systematic Review of Patients’ Experiences,” *PLOS ONE* 10, no. 4 (2015): 2–3, e0124310. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.124310>.

Translated or edited articles should follow the same style as a translated or edited book: Arthur Q. Author, “Article Title,” trans. Tim Z. Translator, *Journal Title* . . .

Magazine Articles:

Jill Lepore, “The Man Who Broke the Music Business,” *New Yorker*, April 27, 2015, 59.

If the article is digital:

Karl Vick, “Cuba on the Cusp,” *Time*, March 26, 2015,

<http://time.com/3759629/cuba-us-policy>.

Adam Gopnik, "Trollope Trending," *New Yorker* (iPhone app), May 4, 2015.

Newspaper Articles:

Christopher Lehmann-Haupt, "Robert Giroux, Editor, Publisher and Nurturer of Literary Giants, Is Dead at 94," *New York Times*, September 6, 2008, New York edition.

If the article is digital:

**David G. Savage, "Stanford Student Goes to Supreme Court to Fight for Her Moms," *Los Angeles Times*, April 27, 2015, Nation,
<http://www.latimes.com/nation/la-na-gay-marriage-children-20150424-story.html>.**

Book Reviews:

**David Kamp, "Deconstructing Dinner," review of *The Omnivore's Dilemma: A Natural History of Four Meals*, by Michael Pollan, *New York Times*, April 23, 2006, Sunday Book Review,
<http://www.nytimes.com/2006/04/23/books/review/23kamp.html>.**

Film Reviews:

**David Denby, review of *WALL-E*, Disney/Pixar, *New Yorker*, July 21, 2008,
http://www.newyorker.com/arts/critics/cinema/2008/07/21/080721crici_cinema_denby.**

Websites:

The publication information should include a publication date or date of revision or modification; if no such date can be determined, include an access date:

**"Privacy Policy," Privacy & Terms, Google, last modified March 25, 2016,
<http://www.google-com/policies/privacy>.**

"Balkan Romani," Endangered Languages, Alliance for Linguistic Diversity, accessed April 6, 2016, <http://www.endangeredlanguages.com/lang/5342>.

For frequently updated sources, such as Wikipedia, include a time stamp along with the revision date:

"Wikipedia: Manual of Style," Wikimedia Foundation, last modified April 7, 2016, 23:58, http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Manual_of_Style.

YouTube and Other Videos:

“Horowitz at Carnegie Hall 2-Chopin Nocturne in Fm Op.55,” YouTube video, 5:53, from a performance televised by CBS on September 22, 1968, posted by “hubanj,” January 9, 2009, <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cDVBtuWkMS8>.

A. E. Weed, *At the Foot of the Flatiron* (American Mutoscope and Biograph Co., 1903), 35 mm film, from Library of Congress, *The Life of a City: Early Films of New York, 1898–1906*, MPEG video, 2:19, <http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/papr/nychome.html>.

Social Media:

For a blog posts within the context of a larger publication:

Deb Amlen, “One Who Gives a Hoot,” *Wordplay* (blog), *New York Times*, January 26, 2015, <http://wordplay.blogs.nytimes.com/2015/01/26/one-who-gives-a-hoot/>.

Social media posts should include the author and screen name, the first 160 characters of the post in place of the title, the type of post (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, video, photo, etc.), the date, and the URL.

Junot Díaz, “Always surprises my students when I tell them that the ‘real’ medieval was more diverse than the fake ones most of us consume,” Facebook, February 24, 2016, <https://www.facebook.com/junotdiaz.writer/posts/972495572815454>.

Conan O’Brien (@ConanOBrien), “In honor of Earth Day, I’m recycling my tweets,” Twitter, April 22, 2015, 11:10 a.m., <https://twitter.com/ConanOBrien/status/590940792967016448>.

Pete Souza (@petesouza), “President Obama bids farewell to President Xi of China at the conclusion of the Nuclear Security Summit,” Instagram photo, April 1, 2016, <https://www.instagram.com/p/BDrmfXTtNct>.

Citations from Secondary Sources

While citations within citations are generally discouraged, please use this format for them:

Louis Zukofsky, “Sincerity and Objectification,” *Poetry* 37 (February 1931): 269, quoted in **Bonnie Costello, *Marianne Moore: Imaginary Possessions*** (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1981), 78.