Crime and the City: Film Noir on Location
Syllabus

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Start – End Date: March 21 – May 09, 2024
Session Day/Time: Thursday, 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm
Course Code and Section: HUAS77505-24S1

Modality: Remote learning

Course Overview
The course examines the use of urban locations in film noir, specifically films shot on location in New York, Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, Los Angeles, San Francisco, London, Paris, Berlin, and Vienna. The course will devote particular attention to the most prolific auteur of Urban Noir, Jules Dassin.

FILMS
WEEK ONE March 21: New York City
The Naked City. Jules Dassin, 1948
https://fsharetv.co/movie/the-naked-city-episode-1-tt0040636
Sweet Smell of Success. Alexander Mackendrick, 1957
https://fsharetv.co/movie/sweet-smell-of-success-episode-1-tt0051036

WEEK TWO March 28: Boston
Mystery Street. John Sturges, 1950
https://www.dailymotion.com/video/x8is5un
The Friends of Eddie Coyle. Peter Yates, 1973
https://www.dailymotion.com/video/x2apnkt
WEEK THREE April 4: Chicago
City That Never Sleeps. John H. Auer, 1953
https://fsharetv.co/movie/city-that-never-sleeps-episode-1-tt0045631
Call Northside 777. Henry Hathaway, 1948
https://fsharetv.co/movie/call-northside-777-episode-1-tt0040202

WEEK FOUR April 11: New Orleans
Panic in the Streets Elia Kazan, 1950
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=krgmO4htx-M&ab_channel=YouTubeMovies
https://www.amazon.com/Panic-Streets-Richard-Widmark/dp/B008TW0VQY/ref=sr_1_1
Walk on the Wild Side Edward Dmytryk, 1962
https://fsharetv.co/movie/walk-on-the-wild-side-episode-1-tt0056671

WEEK FIVE April 18: San Francisco
Lady from Shagjhai. Orson Welles, 1947
https://fsharetv.co/movie/the-lady-from-shanghai-episode-1-tt0040525
Thieves’ Highway. Jules Dassin, 1949
https://fsharetv.co/movie/thieves'-highway-episode-1-tt0041958

WEEK SIX April 25: Los Angeles
M. Joseph Losey, 1951
https://fsharetv.co/movie/m-episode-1-tt0043766
Kiss me Deadly. Robert Aldrich, 1955

WEEK SEVEN May 2: London/Paris
Night and the City. Jules Dassin, 1950
https://fsharetv.co/movie/night-and-the-city-episode-1-tt0042788
Rififi. Jules Dassin, 1955
https://fsharetv.co/movie/rififi-episode-1-tt0048021

WEEK EIGHT May 9: Vienna/Berlin
The Third Man. Carol Reed, 1949
https://fsharetv.co/movie/the-third-man-episode-1-tt0041959
Murderers Among Us. Wolfgang Staudte, 1946
https://fsharetv.co/movie/murderers-among-us-episode-1-tt0038769