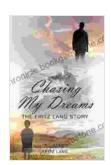
# Chasing My Dreams: The Fritz Lang Story - Part One

Fritz Lang was one of the most influential filmmakers of all time. His films, such as *Metropolis*, *M*, and *The Big Heat*, are still studied and admired today. Lang was a master of visual storytelling, and his films often explored dark and disturbing themes.

Lang was born in Vienna, Austria, in 1890. He began his career as a painter, but soon turned to filmmaking. His first film, *Halbblut*, was released in 1919. Lang quickly established himself as one of the leading directors of the German Expressionist movement. His films of this period are characterized by their striking visuals, dark atmosphere, and psychological themes.



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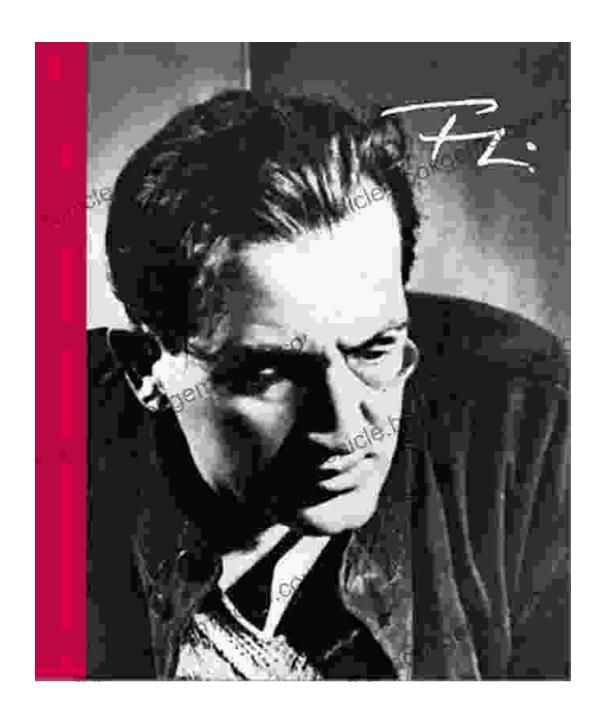
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In 1927, Lang directed *Metropolis*, one of the most iconic films of all time. The film is a science fiction epic that tells the story of a futuristic city divided between the wealthy elite and the working class. *Metropolis* was a critical and commercial success, and it is still considered one of the most important films of the silent era.

Lang continued to make films in Germany throughout the 1930s. However, after the Nazis came to power in 1933, Lang was forced to flee the country. He went to France, where he made several films, including M, a psychological thriller about a child murderer. In 1936, Lang moved to the United States, where he continued to make films until his death in 1976.



Fritz Lang on the set of Metropolis

Lang's films are known for their dark and disturbing themes. He often explored the themes of guilt, redemption, and the human condition. Lang's films are also visually stunning, and he was a master of using light and shadow to create a sense of atmosphere and suspense.

Lang was a complex and controversial figure. He was a brilliant filmmaker, but he was also a difficult man to work with. He was often demanding and uncompromising, and he clashed with many of his collaborators. However, despite his flaws, Lang was one of the most important filmmakers of all time. His films continue to be studied and admired, and they have had a profound impact on the development of cinema.

### **Chasing My Dreams: The Fritz Lang Story - Part Two**

In 1936, Fritz Lang left Germany for the United States. He was one of many German filmmakers who fled the Nazis, who had come to power in 1933. Lang had been a successful director in Germany, but he knew that he would not be able to continue making films there under the Nazi regime.



Lang arrived in Hollywood with a reputation as a brilliant filmmaker. However, he soon found that it was not easy to make films in the United States. Hollywood was a very different place than Germany, and Lang had to learn a new way of filmmaking. He also had to deal with the fact that he was an outsider in a foreign country.

Despite the challenges, Lang eventually made a successful career for himself in Hollywood. He directed a number of classic films, including *The Big Heat*, *Scarlet Street*, and *The Woman in the Window*. Lang's films were often dark and suspenseful, but they also had a strong moral center. He believed that films could be used to explore important social issues, and he often used his films to criticize injustice and corruption.



Fritz Lang and Joan Bennett on the set of Scarlet Street

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Lang died in Los Angeles in 1976. He was 85 years old. He left behind a legacy of classic films that continue to be enjoyed by audiences around the world.



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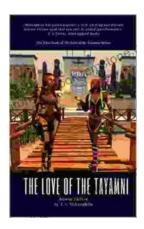
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