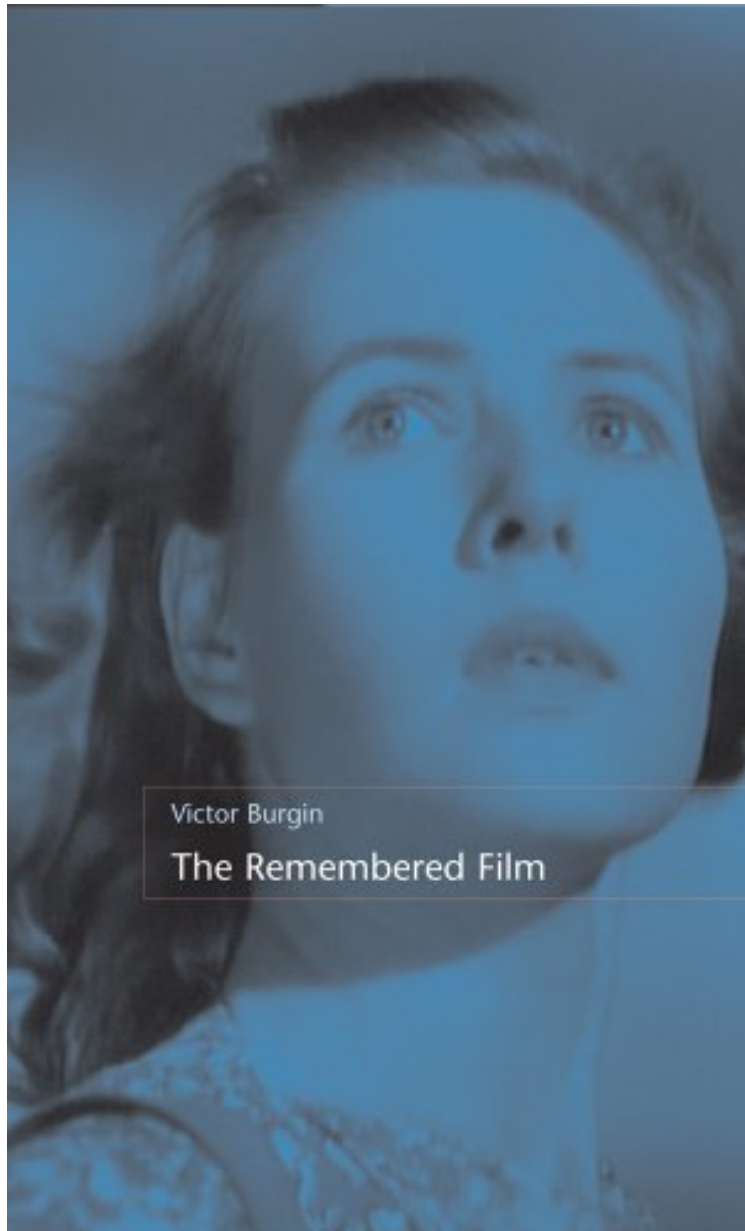


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"Victor Burgin takes the idea of the remembered or shared film rather differently, bringing it outside the auditorium and into the 'cinematic heterotopic': our image-saturated world"