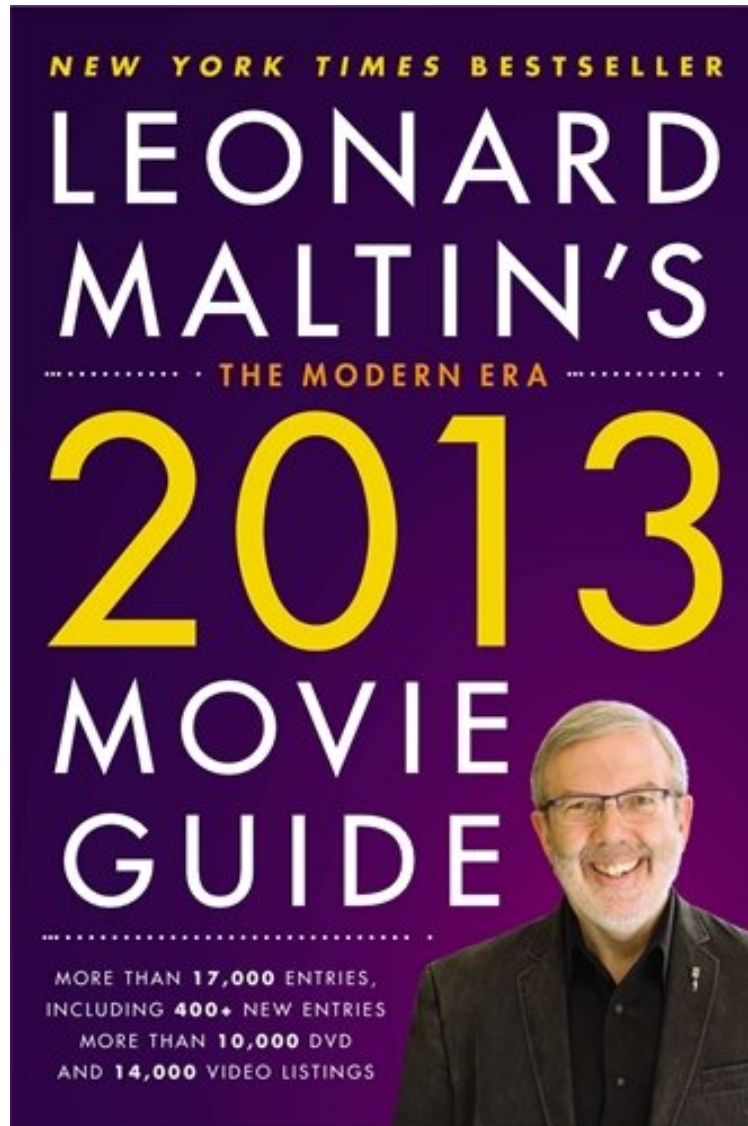


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actors, actresses and directors. I do use IMDB often, but still like to have a book handy. The good about Leonard Maltin's 2013 Movie Guide - The Modern Era version is that it is smaller (dimension wise) than the book used to be several years ago, but it does not have reviews for any movies prior to 1965, hence the Modern Era added onto the name. It also seemed like other movies that were made between 1965 and 2013 were missing that should have been included (and not small, unknown, independent movies.) The "Index of Stars" is still in the back of the book, listing every movie that well known actors or actress like Jimmy Stewart, Harrison Ford, or Sandra Bullock have been in. I greatly miss the directors list in the back of the book, that used to list all movies by all of the well known directors, past and present. 22 of 23 people found the following review helpful. The mini-review gold standard By DocJohn I have used all of the so-called movie guides - this is the one I keep coming back to, at least every other year or so. It is, with the current edition, the concise, yet somehow deep, source I always give credibility to. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. For my daughter, the producer By Paul Hughes Got this for my college-age girl, who wants to make movies. It's the bomb as far as these books go, and it's as big as one. Maltin's web presence, as far as I can tell, is ... lacking. By now this is certainly by design, since they're not going to give it away. A few years back they separated out the "Classic" years (pre-1965, I think) and they update *that* one every 3-4 years. This one comes out every year, but you really only need to buy *it* every 3-4 years, as well, before you'll be lacking information you might want. The paragraphs aren't much -- the book is a mile wide and an inch deep, as far as that calculation goes -- but his information is (literally) encyclopedic. And his personal comments are fun. Of course he's got a writer for the heavy lifting, and no doubt a slew of, or at least a few, research assistants. But if you buy it -- and then read Roger Ebert's regular web reviews (and wanderings as well, for that matter), you'll be covered. Hardly ever do you need to click over to IMDB, unless you want to delve deeper. I should also mention my Da swears by this (and occasionally no doubt *at it*. Ba-dum-bum.) and has read it for decades, along with taking his own notes on the many, many, many movies he watches. In a sort of chiasma, or at least the reverse of what I've done here, while I the father bought it for my daughter ... *his* daughter (my sister) buys it for *him*. At \$10, which it was when I bought it, and replaced, say, every couple years, you're talking a penny a day, for his thoughts. I'll buy that.

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