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Abstract:

Grizzly Man (2004), the latest documentary feature from Werner Herzog, re-energizes an old story surrounding the influence of German Romanticist painting on the filmmaker's aesthetic vision. In Herzog garnered attention with films set against German Enlightenment-era backgrounds (The Enigma of Caspar Hauser - 1974, Heart of Glass - 1976, Nosferatu - 1979). Critics seized upon compositional similarities in their landscape scenes in particular, and those of Dresden painter Caspar David Friedrich. In spite of this connection, Herzog denied that his visions were mediated through the influence of Romanticism. His assertion that there is an artistic kinship between Herzog and Friedrich that can be read in the figures' positions in nature scenes, hoping to represent basic human truths by way of their struggles. Herzog, the main character of Grizzly Man and Friedrich both, does not sentimentalize nature. There is no spirit that speaks to him from the wild. However, the pursuit of ecstatic truth in men's inner turmoil mirrors an explicitly religious motivation. Both artists follow men who enter nature, seek enlightenment, and end up instead with confusion and/or death. This pre-occupation with the precise source of man's quest in nature is what Werner Herzog and Caspar David Friedrich do in a way that the critics of the 1970s had not anticipated.

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