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Paul Julian Smith : Desire Unlimited: The Cinema of Pedro Almodovar before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Desire Unlimited: The Cinema of Pedro Almodovar:

In the last decade, Spanish auteur Pedro Almodovar has grown from critical darling of the film circuit scene to mainstream success. Frequently comic, often deadly serious, always visually glorious, his recent films range from the Academy Awardwinning drama *Talk to Her* to the 2011 horror film *The Skin I Live In*. Though they are ambitious and varied in style, each is a distinctive innovation on the themes that have defined his work. *Desire Unlimited* is the classic film-by-film assessment of Almodovar's oeuvre, now updated to include his most recent work. Still the only study of its kind in English, it vigorously confirms its original argument that beneath Almodovar's genius for comedy and visual pleasure lies a filmmaker whose work deserves to be taken with the utmost seriousness. From the Hardcover edition.

"Finely observed, compelling." *Publishers Weekly* About the Author Paul Julian Smith is a professor at the City University of New York. His previous books include *Vision Machines: Cinema, Literature and Sexuality in Spain* and

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