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New book: *Alien Unveiled: decoding the hidden dimensions of a cult classic* presents a never-before-seen analysis of Ridley Scott's cult film

This week sees the launch of a new must-read for film buffs and science fiction enthusiasts. *Alien Unveiled* offers an in-depth, original exploration of Ridley Scott's iconic 1979 film, combining formal analysis with symbolic dream-interpretation techniques.

Alien Unveiled offers a clear, structured analysis. The book begins with an overview of the plot and characters, before delving into a rich and nuanced interpretation of the film. Organized into several chapters, the book looks at *Alien*'s key symbols, the psychological profiles of the characters and how the film fits into the collective imagination. The book also explores the connections between *Alien* and other science-fiction classics, providing an overview of the themes shared by these major works.

Key points:

- A detailed study of the film's key characters, symbols and scenes
- Interpretative reading grids including traumatic, sociological and psychoanalytical approaches
- A novel theory of birth trauma as a key to understanding the film
- Parallels with other science-fiction classics such as *2001: A Space Odyssey* or *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*

About the author: Alexandre Conforto is passionate about gothic literature and science fiction and horror cinema. *Alien Unveiled* is his first book. "I wanted to make this major work accessible to everyone, using jargon-free language while offering an unprecedented, in-depth and enthusiastic analysis."