



# Cassavetes Directs: On the Set of Love Streams

### By Michael Ventura

Kamera Books, United Kingdom, 2008. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 230 x 154 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. In 1983 visionary director John Cassavetes asked journalist Michael Ventura to write a unique film studyan on-set diary of the making of his film Love Streams. Cassavetes laid out his expectations. He wanted a daring book, a tough book. In Ventura s words, All I had to do for daring and tough was transcribe this man s audacity day by day. Fullofinsight into not only the filmmaker but his actors and his Hollywood peers, the resulting bookdescribes the creation of Love Streams shot by shot, crisis by crisis. During production, the director learned that he was seriously ill, that this film might, as it tragically turned out, be his last. Starring alongside actress and wife Gena Rowlands, Cassavetes shot in sequence, reconceiving and revising his film almost nightly, in order that Love Streams could stand as his final statement. Both an intimate portrait of the man and an insight into his unique filmmaking philosophy, this important text for allmovie lovers and film historiansdocuments a heroic moment in the life of a great artist.



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