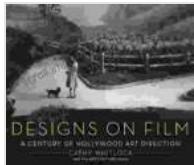


# Unveiling the Art Direction that Shaped a Century of Hollywood Magic: 'Century of Hollywood Art Direction'

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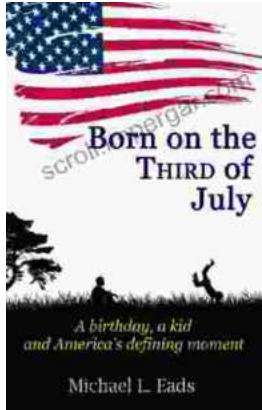
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