Georges Clouzot - *Diabolique* (France, 1955) - Clouzot once said that he made this film for the child in each of us who wants to be frightened. Set at a provincial school, the wife and the mistress of the headmaster conspire to kill him. Cleverly structured, perfectly paced, impeccably acted, *Diabolique* is a classic of the crime genre - and much imitated.

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Yes, Alfred Hitchcock is the Master of Suspense but take a look at Clouzot, including *Le Corbeau* (1943), *Quai des Orfevres* (1947) [Kanopy](https://www.kanopy.com/), and *Wages of Fear* (1953) [Kanopy](https://www.kanopy.com/).