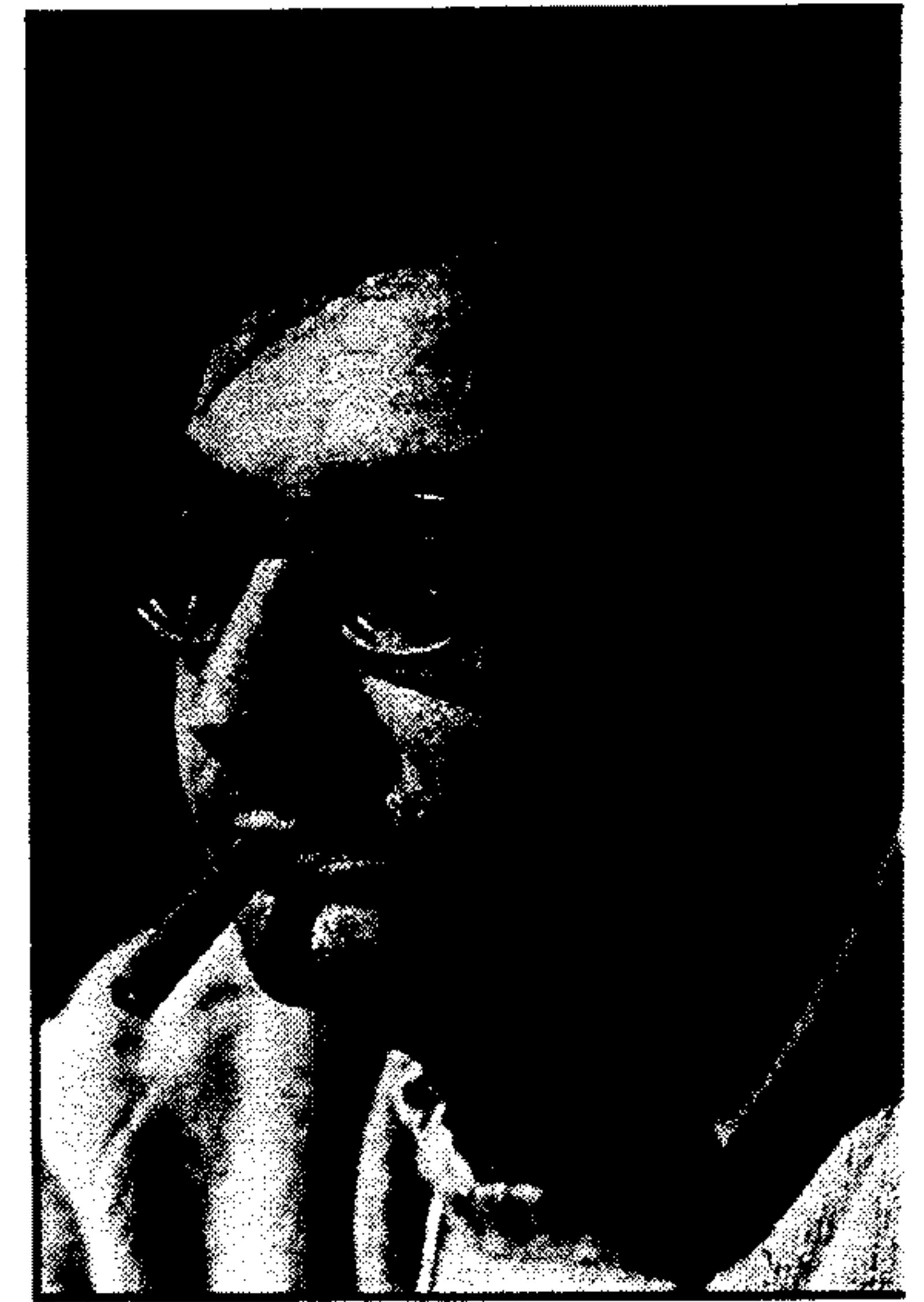


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Despite the international success of his recent masterpieces, *The Story of Women* and *La Ceremonie*, the scope of **Claude Chabrol's** immense achievement is now known only to cult admirers. For this reason, Interama is proud to present a re-release of the director's groundbreaking first two features, **LE BEAU SERGE** (1958) and **LES COUSINS** (1959), virtually unseen in New York in over a decade. Both films were shot by the extraordinary Henri Decaë, and star the now almost forgotten Gérard Blain, a memorable figure in many early nouvelle vague films, as well as the witty and remarkable Jean-Claude Brialy.

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