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sensibility has been defined and whether, in fact, it exists at all. Such

screenwriters are moving in a new direction, heading away from the

films as Lost in Translation and Monster suggest that women

big-budget action movies that dominate Hollywood today. But actiondriven genre films, like the thrillers of Alexandra Seros, seem to belie the perception that women write films that are more dialogue- and character-driven than those of male screenwriters. Whethe