

# Nucigen House

La maison Nucingen

France-Romania-Chile/2008/35mm/Colour/94'

French-Alemanay-Spanish

Indian  
Premiere

**Direction, Screenplay:** Raul Ruiz

**Producers:** Francois Margolin, Antoine de Clermont-Tonnerre,  
Martine de Clermont-Tonnerre

**Cinematography:** Inti Briones, Jacques Bouquin

**Editing:** Beatrice Clericco

**Music:** Jorge Arriagada

**Cast:** Elsa Zylberstein, Audrey Marnay, Jean-Marc Barr, Laurent  
Malet, Laure de Clermont-Tonnerre, Thomas Durand, Luis Mora,  
Miriam Heard

## Festivals/Awards

Rotterdam International Film Festival 2009,

Buenos Aires - International Independent Film Festival 2009,

Hong Kong International Film Festival 2009,

London Film Festival 2008

Pusan International Film Festival 2008

Mostra Sao Paulo International Film Festival 2008



An absurdist fairytale, freely based on a Balzac story. During the late thirties, a rich American, William James, lives in Paris with his emotionally fragile wife, Anne-Marie. He wins a very beautiful house in Chile, at the bottom of the Andean Cordillera in gambling. They decide to visit the house, and spend sometime there. But the eccentric inhabitants of Nucingen House are none too ready to be displaced. The people they meet are not all alive: skeletons, ghosts, living-dead are haunting the old villa. There are vampires, clocks that stop, doors that suddenly slam, screaming women in nightdresses and lavish decors. It creates a world between waking and dreaming - or nightmare.