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Stefan Zweig: Farewell to Europe

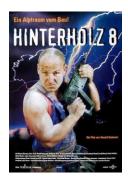
Austria/Germany/France, 2016 - German, English subtitles



The Austrian writer Stefan Zweig was internationally popular in the 1920s and '30s. His works continue to be adapted into films (the 1948 picture "Letter From an Unknown Woman" is the best of these), but his current literary reputation is muddled; in 2010, the esteemed translator Michael Hofmann wrote, "There is something touchingly wrong about Zweig."

"Stefan Zweig: Farewell to Europe," a handsome, scrupulously serious film directed by Maria Schrader from a script she wrote with Jan Schomburg, hardly deals at all with Zweig's writing. But the movie does grapple with his thought, particularly his position on a writer's proper place in tumultuous times. The movie begins at a PEN conference in Buenos Aires, where a fellow writer confronts Zweig about his refusal to condemn Hitler and Germany. "Every gesture of resistance which is void of either risk or impact is nothing but a cry for recognition," Zweig insists. (New York Times)

Hinterholz 8 Austria, 1998 – German, English subtitles



Simultaneously, and in stark contrast to the above, we will also show this light and quirky comedy.

Herbert Krcal lives with his wife and son in a small apartment in Vienna. He dreams of owning his own house but houses are expensive. During a walk in the woods, he finds an old run-down house and decides to buy it. When he begins the renovation, he realizes that his new home requires more than some wallpaper and paint. Soon the do-it-yourself handyman is caught up in a home building nightmare.

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