

# La Cineteca italiana

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Wednesday, March 24, 2010

494 Van Hise ★ 6:00pm - 8:15pm

## 8 1/2

Director: Federico Fellini. 121 minutes. 1963.



**8½** won two Academy Awards for Best Foreign Language Film and Best Costume Design (black-and-white). **Acknowledged as a highly influential classic, it was ranked 3rd best film of all time in a 2002 poll of film directors conducted by the British Film Institute.** The film's title refers to 8½ being Fellini's eighth and a half film as a director.

The film follows Guido Anselmi, a famous Italian film director, who is suffering from "director's block". Stalled on his new science fiction film that includes veiled autobiographical references, he has lost interest amid artistic and marital difficulties. As Guido struggles half-heartedly to work on the film, a series of flashbacks and dreams delve into his memories and fantasies; they are frequently interwoven with reality.

**In Italian with English subtitles**