

## THE HEIRESSES (Las herederas)



Release: 2018 Cert (UK): 12A, F Country: Paraguay

Language: Spanish & Gurani with English subtitles

Runtime: 1 hour 38 mins
Director: Marcelo Martinessi
Writer: Marcelo Martinessi

**Cinematographer:** Luis Armando Arteaga **Cast:** Ana Brun, Margarita Irun, Ana Ivanova



Winner of awards at Berlin and Seattle, 'The Heiresses' is a beautiful look at the problems and opportunities when life changes unexpectedly as 'A withdrawn, middle-aged gay woman slowly inches out of the shadows of her dissatisfaction as she's forced to navigate a life separated from her more outgoing partner of 30 years... Minor-key and subdued to a fault, the drama nonethel ess builds emotional involvement by infinitesimal degrees through its acute observation of characters and social context and its ultra-naturalistic

performances' - David Rooney, Hollywood Reporter.

'The stars of the movie are two wealthy women, the heiresses Chela and Chiquita, superbly played by Paraguayan stage actors Ana Brun and Margarita Irun, who almost incredibly are making their screen debut'—Peter Bradshaw, Guardian. Both actors are well known on stage in Paraguay.

A rarity as a Paraguayan film, it is the first feature film directed by Marcelo Martinessi; someone to watch out for in the future?

