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**Seismic Releasing** and **Mena Films**

Present **THE RUSE**

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**WORLD PREMIERE –** [TIFF 2024](https://tiff.net/events/the-ruse)

**Theatrical Wide Release May 16th**

Written and Directed by STEVAN MENA  
Produced by STEVAN MENA, JOHN CAGLIONE JR., TIMOTHY BRISTOLL, and SCOTT KRYCIA

Starring VERONICA CARTWRIGHT, MADELYN DUNDON,   
AND MICHAEL STEGER

**100 minutes | color | 2025 | USA | English**

**Synopsis**

*When the in-home caregiver assigned to an elderly patient mysteriously vanishes, Dale (Madelyn Dundon) is quickly sent as the replacement nurse. She rushes to the remote seaside home, only to find herself in the middle of chaos—forced to deal with an unruly patient, mysterious neighbors, and terrifying supernatural occurrences that seem to plague the home. Is the house haunted? Or is something even more malevolent to blame? As the walls close in, unsure whom she can trust, Dale fears for her life and that of her patient. Starring the legendary Veronica Cartwright (Alien, The Witches of Eastwick), you won*’*t want to miss this scary thriller that is guaranteed to keep you guessing till the very end!*

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