

## Blu-ray Review: Six Chilling Tales in Fantastic ‘The Vincent Price Collection’

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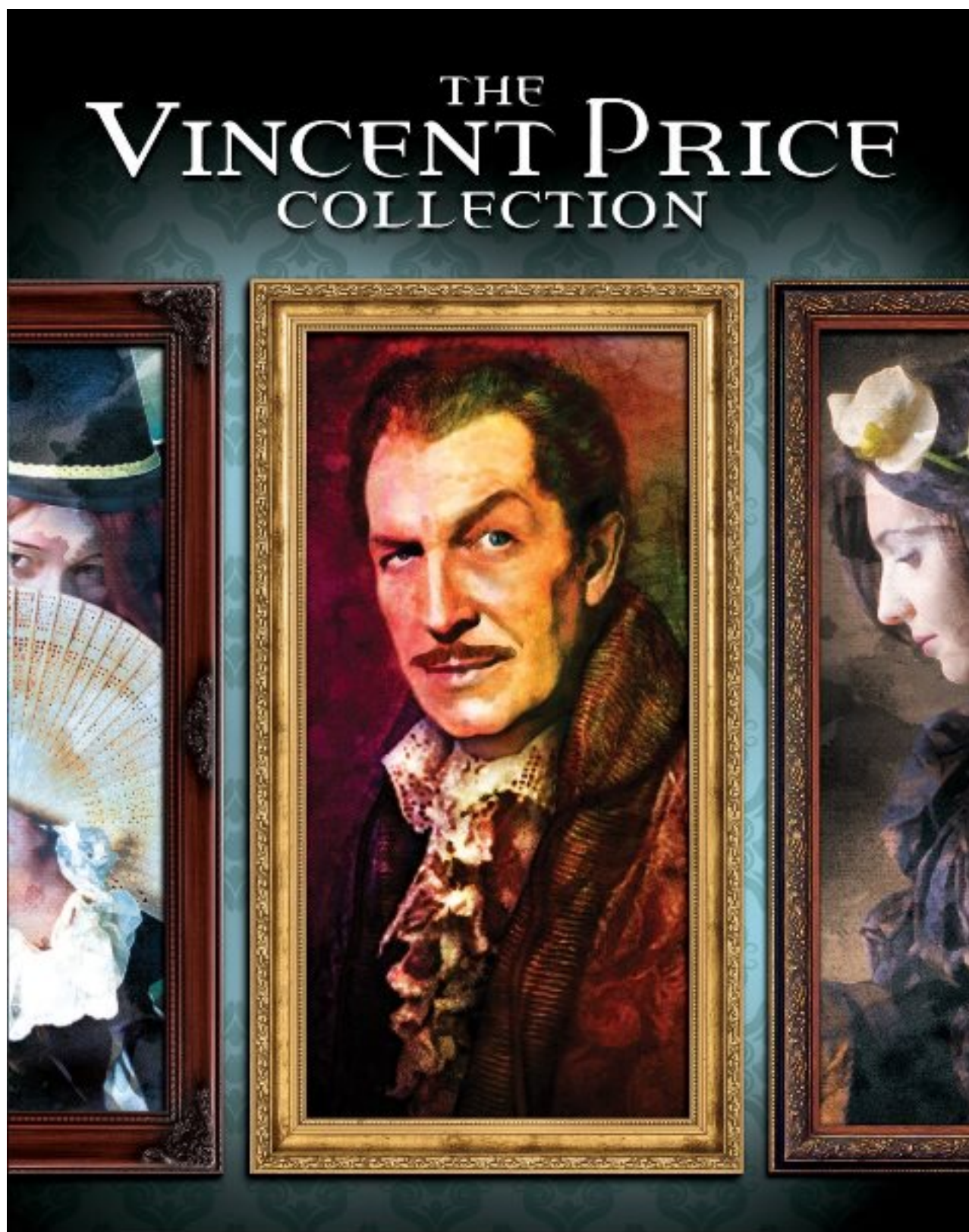
CHICAGO – Scream Factory continues to impress with one of the most essential box sets of 2013 for horror fans — “The Vincent Price Collection,” featuring complete remasters of six of the legendary actor’s most beloved films along with hours of archival and new special features. The bonus material is cool but, as with a lot of these Scream Factory releases, it’s the HD remastering that is truly breathtaking. I don’t believe “The Pit and the Pendulum” looked this well-mixed in terms of color and shadow when it was released fifty years ago. It’s a great holiday season option for horror fans.



Rating: **4.5/5.0**

Most of the films in the collection are from Price’s Poe period with Roger Corman, including one of his absolute best, 1961’s “The Pit and the Pendulum.” It’s the stand-out in this release but every film gets the same HD treatment and the special features are excellent, particularly introductions from Price himself that border on hilarious in their melodrama. And if you haven’t seen “The Abominable Dr. Phibes,” one of the weirdest movies ever made, you really owe it to yourself to correct that oversight. It’s gloriously strange.

“The Vincent Price Collection” works on multiple levels. History has kind of turned Price into a bit of a caricature, forgetting that he was much more varied performer than he gets credit for being (he’s GREAT in “Pit”). This set works both for hardcore Price enthusiasts and new fans. In other words, everyone.



The Vincent Price Collection was released on Blu-ray on October 22, 2013

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#### Synopsis:

This collection includes new and vintage bonus features that focus not just on each film, but on Price's illustrious and enduring legacy as cinema's most chilling actor.

#### Films Include:

The Pit & The Pendulum  
The Fall Of The House Of Usher  
The Masque Of The Red Death  
The Abominable Dr. Phibes  
The Haunted Palace  
Witchfinder General (The Conqueror Worm)

#### Special Features:

The Pit & The Pendulum  
Introduction By Vincent Price  
Rare Prologue  
Audio Commentary By Producer/Director Roger Corman  
Theatrical Trailer

#### The Fall Of The House Of Usher

Introduction By Vincent Price  
Audio Commentary By Producer/Director Roger Corman  
Audio Interview With Vincent Price Conducted By Film Historian David Del Valle  
Vincent Price Retrospective Commentary By Author Lucy Chase Williams, Featuring Piotr Michael  
Theatrical Trailer

#### The Masque Of The Red Death

Introduction by Vincent Price

Interview With Producer/Director Roger Corman  
Audio Commentary With Author Steve Haberman  
Theatrical Trailer

The Abominable Dr. Phibes  
Audio Commentary By Director Robert Fuest  
Audio Commentary By Author Justin Humphreys  
Theatrical Trailer

The Haunted Palace  
Introduction By Vincent Price  
Audio Commentary By Authors Lucy Chase Williams and Tom Weaver  
A Change Of Poe: An Interview With Producer/Director Roger Corman  
Theatrical Trailer

Witchfinder General  
Introduction By Vincent Price  
Audio Commentary By Producer Philip Waddilobe And Actor Ian Ogilvy  
Witchfinder General: Michael Reeves’ Horror Classic  
Interview With Vincent Price Conducted By Film Historian David Del Valle  
Theatrical Trailer  
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Interview With Victoria Price

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