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Chicago Latino Film Festival

At North Park University
for the ninth year

On Monday, April 16th, the Chicago Latino Film Festival will be at North Park University for the ninth time. This is an international Latino film festival held in Chicago for the last 28 years with films from some over 20 Spanish and Portuguese speaking countries. North Park University is privileged to host two of the festival's films this year.

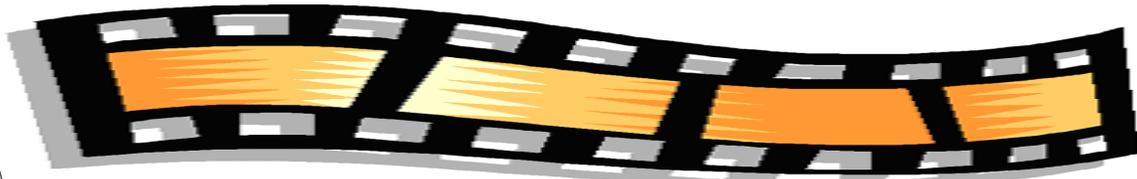
April 16th, Monday 7:30 pm (Hamming Hall)

1. **Without Country / Sin País***
2. **The Color of the Guayaba / El Color de la Guayaba***

FREE Admission for students w/NPU ID, \$10 for general public.

All films are in Spanish with English subtitles or in English.

**After the showing there may be an opportunity to speak to some of the directors and actors of the films.*



Chicago Latino Film Festival

Without Country / Sin Pais



Guatemala / US, 2011, 20 min.

Director: Theo Rigby

Genre: Documentary, Spanish with subtitles

“Without Country” explores one family’s complex and emotional journey involving deportation. With intimate access and striking imagery, this documentary explores the complexities of the Mejia’s new reality of a separated family –parents without their children, and children without their parents.

The Color of the Guayaba / El Color de la Guayaba



Puerto Rico, 2010, 97 min.

Director: Luis Caballero

Genre: Drama, Spanish with subtitles

Bautista is a public taxi driver who picks up a passenger named Ada. She wants him to drive her to the other side of island with the condition that he doesn't pick up any other passengers and that he drives her to get some guavas. During the trip, Bautista tells Ada stories that he has heard related to the exotic guava fruit. These stories begin to take life while Bautista tells them to Ada. Butterflies (a gay little boy called Mariposa), a lonely woman and her daughter find a dead body under the guava trees, little people, and witch craft are some of the stories that Bautista tells. Through this, we experience a touch of the Caribbean magic realism and how fragile are the circumstances that these characters live.

Minor in Latin American Studies Global Studies Major

Politics in Latin America

(LAS 3910)

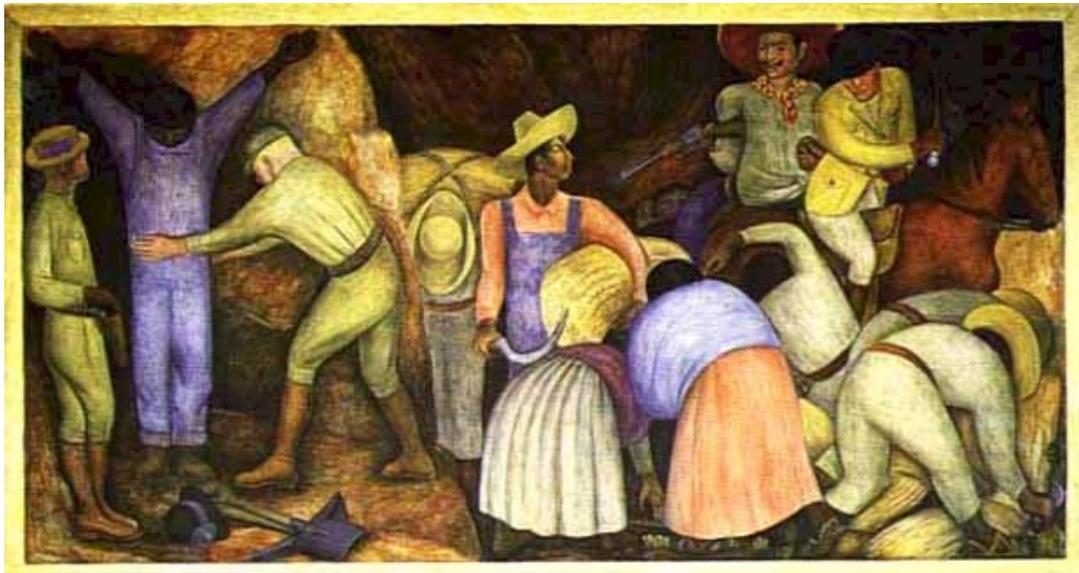
Fall semester of 2012 Tuesdays and Thursdays 11:40-1:20, LAS 3910 (4sh), Politics in Latin America, a case study of 12 countries' struggle between democracy and dictatorships. Some of the topics in this course include:

1. Colonialism from Spanish to the war for independence in Latin America, Evolution of political systems
2. Argentina - Perón to Fernández
3. Chile – Allende, Pinochet, Bachelet, Piñera
4. Colombia – Rojas Pinillas to Santos
5. Venezuela – Pérez Jiménez to Chávez
6. Dominican Republic – Trujillo to Fernández
7. Cuba – Machado to Raúl Castro

This class looks to give students a working knowledge of the history of Latin America starting at the 19th Century. We will analyze the principal political movements of the region since 1900, emphasize the problems of inequality, weakness and instability in the governing institutions.

This course fulfills part of the requirement for the Minor in Latin American Studies.
It can also be used as a course in the Global Studies Major.

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Glasses for Peru / Lentes para el Perú

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VOSH - ILLINOIS CHAPTER
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¡LASO Needs Your Help!

Join LASO as we collect old glasses for the people of Peru.

Drop off any old prescription glasses and/or sun glasses at the Collaboratory (first floor Caroline Hall). They will be cleaned, categorized according to prescription and taken to Peru in May by the volunteer doctors of VOSH. They will do eye exams, operations and distribute glasses to poor and uninsured people.

Drop off is from now until April 30th.



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LASO SPRING EVENTS

Movie Nights in the Collaboratory...

Which Way Home - Sunday, April 1st 2012, 5:30-7:30 pm.



The Other Side of Immigration - Sunday, May 6th 2012, 5:30-7:30 pm.



LASO FUNDRAISER – Faculty/Staff Lunch

Monday, March 26th 11:30-1:30 in the Collaboratory. Enjoy a lunch of tostonaes, aroz con gandules, tacos, frijoles, salad, limonda and horchata all for \$5.

Multicultural Awards Banquet and Dance

Una noche de gala where awards are given out to celebrate diversity at NPU. April 20th 2012, 6 pm Irish Cultural Center

Fiesta Tropical

A dance sponsored by LASO. April 27th 2012, 7-11 pm

Cinco de Mayo

Cinco de Mayo celebration in the North Park Dining Hall with a live mariachi band and Mexican food showcasing a variety of flavors from all over México.* May 3rd 2012, 4:45 pm.



* Reduced price – If you don't have an ARA meal plan you can get in for the dinner and the celebration for only \$5.

LATAMIN

<http://campus.northpark.edu/centers/latino/>

The Latin American Initiatives as part of the Urban and Multicultural Collaboratory for Urban and Intercultural Learning at North Park University educates and promotes the richness of the Latino peoples and cultures enabling an understanding between all communities.

Our basic values include:

1. Educate others on Latino Cultures
2. Support Latino Students on the college path to success
3. Reduce prejudices and understanding and promote camaraderie between Latinos and the campus community
4. Grow spiritually as we share our common ground in Christ
Uphold Latino values in a non-Latino society

The LATAMIN accomplishes these goals by bringing to campus performers, artists, and exhibitions that demonstrate the richness and variety of U.S. Latina/o culture, through curriculum development, and the sponsoring of lectures, colloquia, and conferences on special topics in Latino studies.

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