

The International Latino Film Society Announces its LGBT Programming for the 11th International Latino Film Festival

Four Fabulous Films Explore the Latino LGBT Experience

SAN FRANCISCO, September 25, 2007—The International Latino Film Society is proud to announce its LGBT programming for the 11th International Latino Film Festival. This year's films include the award-winning film ***Glue***, the hilarious comedy ***Chuecatown***, the heartwarming documentary ***Super Amigos*** and gritty documentary ***Luchando***. The Festival will also screen a series of LGBT shorts.

The International Latino Film Festival also hosts a very special evening celebrating the Latino LGBT community on Saturday, November 4 at the Castro Theatre at 7:30pm. ***iCinePride!*** will feature a screening of the short, *Cosas que no se dicen*, followed by the feature film, *Glue*, and a memorable night of food, wine and music in the Castro's Mezzanine. Special Guest Argentinian actor Nahuel Pérez Biscayart of ***Glue*** will be in attendance.

Glue/historia adolescente en medio de la nada is Argentinian Director Alexis Dos Santos' first feature film and a recipient of the coveted *2007 Frameline First Feature Award*. This film delves into budding adolescent sexuality. Backed by a soundtrack that includes a handful of the Violent Femmes' much-loved songs, Dos Santos' film tracks 15-year-old Lucas as he and his male best friend pursue a cute girl – and grow closer than expected in the process. *Glue* will screen at the Castro Theatre on November 4 at 6pm.

Chuecatown, by Spanish Director Juan Flahn, is a black comedy about property dealing in Madrid's gay district, tells the story of Victor, who works in a real-estate agency in the well-known Chueca neighborhood of Madrid. He hides a terrible secret: he makes apartments available for sale by murdering the old lady owners that live in them and then refurbishes and decorates the apartments to sell them to gay couples with high purchasing power. *Chuecatown* will screen at the Castro Theatre at 9:45pm.

Five real-life comic-book superheroes champion the causes of Mexico's oppressed in Director Arturo Perez Torres' fun documentary, ***Super Amigos***. With their masked wrestling costumes, they take on the causes of tenants' rights, prevention of cruelty to animals, gay rights, and environmentalism. This heart-warming documentary shows that ordinary people can muster super human powers for change. *Super Amigos* will screen at multiple Bay Area locations (see below).

Luchando, a gritty documentary by American Director Noelle Stout, takes us behind the scenes of the gay underground in Havana. Through cinema verité footage and candid interviews, it documents the physical, psychological and emotional journeys of four queer hustlers. The camera captures their most intimate moments while revealing the fight for survival in Cuba's gay underground. *Luchando* will screen at the Mission Cultural Center on November 17 at 5:30pm.

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Visit www.LatinoFilmFestival.org for further information, tickets, and prices

iCinePride!

November 4 at 7:30pm
Castro Theatre
429 Castro Street, San Francisco
Tickets \$50/40
Available at www.latinofilmfestival.org

Glue / historia adolescente en medio de la nada

dir. Alexis Dos Santos, 2006, Argentina / UK, 110 min.
November 4 @ 6pm
Castro Theatre
429 Castro Street, San Francisco

Chuecatown

dir. Juan Flahn, 2007, Spain, 99 min.
November 2 @ 9:45pm
Castro Theatre
429 Castro Street, San Francisco

Super Amigos

dir. Arturo Perez Torres, 2007, Canada / Mexico, 82 min.

Super Amigos Screens at Three Locations!

November 14 @ 7pm
Skyline College
3300 College Drive, San Bruno

November 14 at 7pm
College of San Mateo
1700 W. Hillsdale Blvd., San Mateo

November 17 at 3pm
Mission Cultural Center
2868 Mission Street, San Francisco

Luchando

dir. Noelle Stout, 2007, USA, 59 min.
November 17 at 5:30pm
Mission Cultural Center
2868 Mission Street, San Francisco

ABOUT THE FESTIVAL

The 11th International Latino Film Festival is an annual festival showcasing an unprecedented array of films expressing many views from the Latino world. This year's Festival runs through Nov. 18 and features approximately 90 films from 20 countries in nine Bay Area cities: San Francisco, Redwood City, San Jose, Larkspur, Berkeley, San Rafael, San Bruno and Sacramento. Themes in this year's Festival include: *Animation, Art & Poetry, Cine Chicano, Day of the Dead Emerging Latino Filmmakers, Environment, Erótica, Family, Global Lens, Fútbol (Football), Human Rights, the Immigrant Experience, the Jewish Experience, Local Latino Filmmakers,*

Música Latina, Málaga FF Series, Queer Latino Cinema, Spiritual, Thrillers, Mexican Cinema, War & Politics, Women & Film, among others.

THE INTERNATIONAL LATINO FILM SOCIETY/FILM FESTIVAL

Presented by the International Latino Film Society, The International Latino Film Festival was founded in 1997 by Sylvia Perel to benefit the San Francisco Bay Area by promoting cinema of significant artistic merit created by, or about Latinos, and to celebrate cultural understanding through the art of film and filmmaking. The International Latino Film Festival began in Marin County with eight films over three days in one venue and has grown to more than 90 films over 16 days in nine cities across the Greater San Francisco Bay Area. For additional information about the Festival visit www.LatinoFilmFestival.org.

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