

# Recent Cinema from Spain in Miami

RECENT CINEMA FROM SPAIN
ANNOUNCES ITS COMPLETE PROGRAM LINEUP OF
EXCITING MOVIE SCREENINGS INCLUDING 3 US PREMIERES.

The 5th edition of the *Recent Cinema From Spain* Series, takes place Nov 19th – Nov 22nd, 2015 at the Olympia Theater in Downtown Miami and is bringing some of the best contemporary Spanish movies and their stars to South Florida, including 3 US Premieres and 1 Miami Premiere.

### **Program Highlights:**

"Talk" ("Hablar") US Premiere

"Breathless Time" ("Tiempo Sin Aire") US Premiere

"Wednesdays Don't Exist" ("Los Miércoles No Existen") US Premiere

"Requirements To Be A Normal Person" ("Requisitos Para Ser Una Persona Normal") Miami Premiere

"Magical Girl" Carlos Vermut's prize winning haunting drama

"Off course" ("Perdiendo el Norte"). The big hit comedy from Spain

Stars such as **Goya Toledo**, **Miki Esparbé**, **Miguél Ángel Muñoz and William Miller** are confirmed to attend

Miami, Nov 9th, 2015 – Now in its 5th year, *Recent Cinema From Spain* is a fixture on the cultural calendar of Miami. Over the past years, thousands of audience members enjoyed Award-Winning Spanish cinema, engaged in Q&A's with top Spanish talent, enjoyed a Spanish flavored Opening gala, and experienced contemporary Spanish culture in the historical setting of the Olympia Theater.

This year, *Recent Cinema From Spain* will be back at the Olympia Theater to celebrate the best of Spain's rich, vibrant and vital films. For its fifth anniversary the Film Series will once again bring a variety of sparkling

comedies & intense dramas and their brightest talent from Spain to Downtown Miami. From November 19 through November 22, 2015 audience members will enjoy nightly screenings and participate in Q&A sessions with cast members, and "will let their Spanish side out!"

On November 19th *Recent Cinema From Spain* will have its opening night red carpet event, followed by the US Premiere of "Wednesdays Don't Exist". The film will be introduced by the talented actor William Miller ("C.L.A. No Somos Ángeles", "Cinco de Mayo, La Batalla") and followed by a talk back and a reception. Spanish Stars such as Goya nominated actress Goya Toledo ("Amores Perros", "Palabras Encadenadas"), Miki Esparbé ("Divendres", "Barcelona Summer Night") and Miguél Ángel Muñoz (HBO "Capadocia, "Un paso adelante" & "Sin identidad") are also confirmed to attend. EGEDA, the Spanish Audiovisual Producers' Rights Management Association is proud to produce the *Recent Cinema from Spain* series with The Olympia Theater, and with the collaboration of ICAA (The Spanish Institute for Film and Audiovisual Arts).

The Spanish series takes place November 19 to November 22, 2015 at:

The Olympia Theater, 174 East Flagler Street, Miami, FL 33131

Ph: 305.374.2444

Tickets can be purchased at:

### www.olympiatheater.org

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### http://www.miami.recentcinemafromspain.com

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Thursday, Nov 19th, 7:00 pm (Gala Opening Night) "Wednesdays Don't Exist" ("Los Miércolos No Existen") US Premiere

Written and directed by Peris Romano

Spain (2015), 128 min, Spanish with English subtitles

"Wednesdays Don't Exist" is a close look at modern relationships. This romantic comic drama with singing (yes, singing) examines how seemingly insignificant decisions can, like falling dominoes, have a huge impact on our lives years after making them. A beautiful puzzle of the moments and decisions in six characters' lives and the emotional and sentimental breaks that result.

Starring Eduardo Noriega, Inma Cuesta, Gorka Otxoa, Maria Leon , William Miller & Alexandra Jimenez

Introduction by actor William Miller and talkback following the film.

Friday, Nov 20th, 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Roundtable with William Miller, Goya Toledo, Miki Esparbé and Miguél Ángel Muñoz

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In Spanish. Free event. No RSVP necessary. Limited seating, please arrive early.

### Friday, Nov 20th, 6:45 pm DOUBLE FEATURE

"Requirements To Be A Normal Person" ("Requisitos Para Ser Una Persona Normal")

**Miami Premiere** 

Written and directed by Leticia Dolera

Spain (2015), 90 min, Spanish with English subtitles

Everybody tries to fit in, but few people go about it as methodically as Maria de la Montana (played by writer-director Leticia Dolera), who hopes to reach normality through a 7-item checklist. Her mentally challenged younger brother (Jordi Llorda) and overweight friend (Manuel Burque) seem to have most of the bases covered, and the success of Maria's quest may boil down to just being herself. Brightly colored and boasting a jangly folk score by Luthea Salmon, this romantic comedy is, as one might home from its title, charmingly eccentric. Winner of Best New Screenwriter, Cinematography and Editing Awards at the Málaga Spanish Film Festival.

Starring Leticia Dolera, Jordi Llodra, Manuel Burque & Miki Esparbé. Introduction by actor Miki Esparbé and talkback following the film.

Friday, Nov 20th, 9:45 pm DOUBLE FEATURE

"Magical Girl"

The award-winning, haunting drama

**Directed by Carlos Vermut** 

Spain (2014), 127 min, Spanish with English subtitles

Luis (Luis Bermejo) has a 12-year-old daughter with a terminal illness and a last wish — to have a dress just like the main character of her favorite Japanese anime series. He will try do to everything to achieve it but his fate intersects with an unbalanced young woman (Goya and Feroz winner Bárbara Lennie)

and a teacher with a troubled past (Jose Sacristan).

Luis, Barbara & Damian will be trapped in a world of blackmail where instincts and reason will struggle changing their lives forever.

Starring: Luis Bermejo, José Sacristán and Goya and Feroz Award Winner Bárbara Lennie

Saturday, Nov 21st, 6:45 pm DOUBLE FEATURE "Talk" ("Hablar")

**US Premiere** 

Written and directed by Joaquim Oristrell

Spain (2015), 75 min, Spanish with English subtitles

Shot in a single, continuous take, "Talk" is a journey between theater and film set in a lower class neighborhood in Madrid on a blazing August night in 2014. For 75 minutes and over one mile, the camera follows 20 characters in economic, political and existential turmoil as they talk, argue, laugh, cry, taunt, whisper, scream, steal, date, fight, embrace and offer the audience a reflection on the immense power of the word.

Starring: Sergio Peris Mencheta, Miguel Angel Munoz, Marta Etura, Antonio de la Torre, Raul Arevalo & Juan Diego Botto

Introduction by actors Goya Toledo & Miguél Ángel Muñoz and talkback following the film.

Saturday, Nov 21st, 9:45 pm DOUBLE FEATURE "Breathless Time" ("Tiempo Sin Aire")
US Premiere

Directed by Andrés Luque Pérez and Samuel Martin Mateos Spain (2015), 106 min, Spanish with English subtitles

Maria (Juana Acosta), a Colombian nurse who lost her daughter at the hands of three militiamen, travels to the Spanish Canary Islands accompanied by her youngest son to find one of the killers and get her revenge. She keeps with her a picture that she found in the ruined home, showing a face, an inscription and a name: Ivan (Felix Gomez). Gonzalo (Carmelo Gomez), a school psychologist whose existence changes dramatically the moment he meets Maria, joins her incessant and obsessive search. Meanwhile, in their little corner of the island, Ivan and his girlfriend Vero are unaware that their lives are about to change forever.

Starring: Juana Acosta, Adriana Ugarte, Félix Gómez and Carmelo Gómez

Sunday, Nov 22nd, 6:45 pm "Off Course" ("Perdiendo del Norte")

# One of the biggest box office hits in Spain in 2015 Written and directed by Nacho G. Velilla Spain (2015), 102 min, Spanish with English subtitles

Hugo (Yon González) and Braulio (Julián López) both have university degrees but no jobs, and think they can escape the economic doldrums by leaving Spain for Germany. But what looked like a land of opportunity on TV presents more challenges to the two friends than they expected in this sparkling comedy. Starring: Yon González, Javier Cámara, Blanca Suarez, Miki Esparbe and Julián López

## Introduction by actor Miki Esparbé and talkback following the film.

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