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Library Night at the San Diego Latino Film Festival, March 13

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SAN DIEGO – The City of San Diego Public Library, KPBS and the 14th annual San Diego Latino Film Festival (SDLFF) will present “Library Night” at the 2007 San Diego Latino Film Festival on Tuesday, March 13. Show your San Diego Public Library card and receive a \$2 discount on any general admission ticket! The film festival is being held at the UltraStar Mission Valley Cinemas at Hazard Center, 7510 Hazard Center Drive. Library Night’s films were chosen by SDLFF to tie in with the themes presented in *Enrique’s Journey*, the selection for this year’s One Book One San Diego and KPBS’s Campaign for Love and Forgiveness. There will be eight films to choose from, the feature films are from Argentina, Chile, Mexico, Germany/Guatemala/ Switzerland, and the United States. “Library Night” films will include:

Through Thick & Thin (6:30 p.m.)

Sebastian Cordona

2006, 70 min, USA, BetaSP

English, Feature Documentary

Argentinean Director Sebastian Cordoba sheds light on the personal stories of bi-national Gay & Lesbian couples struggling with US Immigration to keep their relationships and families intact. An amazing, must-see film that gets to the core of its subject. This documentary is especially relevant with Congress deciding the fate of the Uniting American Families Act (a bill with 116 sponsors in the House that can solve immigration problems for gay and lesbian bi-national couples in America) during their Spring session. Funded in part by Human Rights Watch and Immigration Equality, the leading organizations in GLBT immigration rights. Director Sebastian Cordoba is scheduled to be on hand at this year’s festival.

Más que a nada en el mundo (7:00 p.m)

Javier Solar, Andrés León Becker

2006, 90 min., Mexico, 35mm

Spanish w/ English Subtitles, Feature Narrative

Alicia, a girl of seven, lives in an apartment with her mother. When the mother, after a sentimental setback, goes into a depression that makes her sleep for days on end, Alicia and her friend, Lucia, decide that an old man who lives next door is to blame: he has a gruesome aspect and is surely a vampire trying to possess the woman. Alicia decides to go into the neighbor's apartment and put an end to the curse.

Estrella y Dos Cafes, Una (7:30 p.m)

Alberto Lecchi

2006, 85 min., Argentina, 35mm

Spanish w/ English Subtitles, Feature Narrative

In a picturesque yet isolated village in Northwestern Argentina, thirteen year old Estella befriends an architect. When his ex-wife comes to town everything changes and Estella will find herself growing up very quickly.

Asalto al Sueno, 8:00 p.m.)

Uli Stelzner

2006, 83 min., Germany/Guatemala, MiniDV

Spanish w/ English Subtitles, Feature Documentary

Every day thousands of people leave their impoverished Central American homelands to cross into the USA. Crossing the Northern border of Guatemala into Mexico, they embark like outlaws on one of the most dangerous migration routes in the world. Carrying a small digital camera, the director traveled into this border region of

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southern Mexico, where for many migrants the 'American Dream' becomes a Mexican nightmare. There, hope and doom are close together. This moving road-movie narrates the recurring chance meetings with Noé, a migrant from El Salvador. His agony tragically depicts a whole mankind on the move.

Parentisis (Time Off) (8:30 pm)

(Francisca Schweitzer, Pablo Solís

2005, 97 min., Chile,

Spanish w/ English Subtitles, Feature Narrative

Camilo is 28 years old; he has insomnia and works in a video store at night. His girlfriend Pola, tired of his irresponsible and childish approach to life, decides at dawn one Monday to ask him for a week off (a parenthesis) to think through their relationship. Disconcerted, Camilo resigns himself to Pola's decision. During this week he meets Mikela, a strange 16 year-old girl, who shows him a new and simpler world where only the present counts. Camilo begins to live a more harmonious life, until Mikela disappears.

Amando a Maradona (9:45 p.m.)

Javier Martin Vazquez

2005, 75 minutes, Argentina, 35mm

Spanish w/ English Subtitles, Feature Documentary

You think that football is just a game? Here is a film to show you just how wrong you are. Diego Maradona exploded onto the football scene from the slums of Villa Fiorito. The world has never been the same. This exploration of 'The Great One's' life tells you everything you want to know about Diego as footballer, extra-mega-superstar, Latin American activist, rocker, victim, and even as GOD. Interviews with Maradona himself, his family, friends, and tattooist, will bring you to the inescapable conclusion that there is no alternative other than loving Maradona. There is one word for this film: Goooooooooal!

Short Life of Jose Antonio Gutierrez, The (10:15 p.m.)

Heidi Specogna

2005, 90 min., Germany / Switzerland,

Spanish w/ English Subtitles, Feature Documentary

Hours after the war in Iraq begins, José Antonio Gutierrez, dies, the first American soldier to fall. A look behind the heroic story of a Guatemalan one-time street kid who sought the American Dream, but, instead, found death in a distant land. Shown to wide acclaim at Sundance 2006.

Buena Voz, La (10:30 p.m.)

Antonio Cuadri

2006, 90 min., Spain, 35mm

Spanish w/ English Subtitles, Feature Narrative

This slow-burning ensemble drama revolves around the relationships of one "extended" family. Pepe, an insensitive taxi driver, lives a peaceful, if not complacent existence with Rosa, a devoted subservient wife. A surprise visit from a past love reveals he has a 20 year old gay son (Biel Duran) who will change all of their lives forever. Astonishing cinematography shot in Bilbao, subtle performances, and a lovely story will captivate your heart. An amazing film that every San Diegan, straight or gay should see (one of this year's Top 10 to Watch).

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