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RECENT SPANISH CINEMA FILM SERIES IN LOS ANGELES ANNOUNCES PROGRAM LINE-UP AND SPECIAL GUESTS

5-time GOYA Award Winner TRUMAN to open the film series at the Egyptian Theatre on October 13th

Los Angeles, Sept 29, 2016 –

For over 20 years **Recent Spanish Cinema** has brought the best and brightest of Spanish cinema to Hollywood. The annual series has exposed countless Angelinos to Spanish culture, from art and music to food, fashion and more.

Recent Spanish Cinema is excited to open the 2016 film series with a **Red Carpet Gala** and screening of 5-time **GOYA** winner **TRUMAN**, directed by Cesc Gay, starring Ricardo Darin and Javier Cámara, followed by a cocktail reception in the courtyard of The Egyptian Theater on Thursday, Oct 13th at 7 pm. We look forward to once again welcome Spanish, American and International stars on the red carpet, including filmmakers **Javier Ruiz Caldera** (SPY TIME) and **Paula Ortiz** (LA NOVIA). We will send a tip sheet with all confirmed guests two days prior to the event.

In addition, there will be a press event with actress **Belén Cuesta** and director **Javier Ruiz Caldera** on Saturday, Oct 15th at 6 pm at The Egyptian Theatre. Please note that Belén won't be in attendance on Thursday night and therefore this press event is the only chance for interviews and photos with her.

RED CARPET, Thursday, Oct 13th

Check in 5 pm Red carpet: 6 pm Screening 7 pm

PRESS EVENT with Belén Cuestag and Javier Ruiz for 1-on-1 interviews Saturday, Oct 15th From 6pm to 7pm

For red carpet accreditation on Thursday evening and press event on Saturday evening please contact: Thomas@WhiteBearPR.com

This year's program includes **THE BRIDE**, a striking new adaptation of Federico Garcia Lorca's Blood Wedding featuring Inma Cuesta, and Paco León's comedy of sexual fetishes, **KIKI, LOVE TO LOVE.** Comedy is further represented by **SPY TIME**, starring Imanol Arias as a Spanish James Bond, and **EL PREGÓN**, in which Spanish TV stars Andreu Buenafuente and Berto Romero play brothers who were briefly pop stars in the 1990s. Mario Casas and Luis Tosar star as brothers struggling to escape the underworld in crime drama **TORO**. Tosar also appears in action-packed heist film **TO ROB A THIEF**, a box office hit that also serves as a subtle critique of political corruption. The thriller **THE CORPSE OF ANNA FRITZ** manages to wrap a highly exploitative premise with thought-provoking twists. Additionally, the winning entry of the New Filmmakers From Spain short film contest will screen before the opening-night film; a showcase of shorts will close the celebration of Recent Spanish Cinema.

Presented in collaboration with the Institute of Cinematography and Audiovisual Arts of Spain (ICAA) of the Spanish Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport; EGEDA (Audiovisual Producers Rights Management Association) and the American Cinematheque.

For more information on the films and EPK's:

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RECENT CINEMA FROM SPAIN Oct 13th – Oct 16th, 2016 Egyptian Theatre, 6712 Hollywood Blvd, Los Angeles, CA – 90028

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FULL FILM PROGRAM

Thursday, October 13 – 7:00 PM OPENING NIGHT

TRUMAN

Los Angeles Premiere!, 2015, FilmRise, 108 min. Dir. Cesc Gay.

Cast: Ricardo Darín, Javier Cámara, Dolores Fonzi.

Producers: Imposible Films S.L., Trumanfilm Aje, BD cine.

Winner of five Goya Awards including Best Film, this thought-provoking take on mortality stars Ricardo Darín as Julián, a working actor who has just received a diagnosis of terminal cancer. When old buddy Tomás (Javier Cámara) arrives to visit, he finds Julián more concerned about the fate of his dog, Truman. "Cesc Gay's wise, wistful and well-observed film about two friends enjoying a final reunion in the shadow of impending death is by turns amusing and affecting — and quite often both at once." - Joe Leydon, Variety. In Spanish and English with English subtitles. Reception following in the courtyard for all ticket holders.

The evening begins with the winner of The New Film Makers from Spain Short Film Contest "The suitor" by Alvaro Congosto.

Friday, October 14 – 7:30 PM DOUBLE FEATURE

THE BRIDE (LA NOVIA),

Los Angeles Premiere!, 2015, Outsider Pictures, 96 min. Dir. Paula Ortiz.

Cast: Inma Cuesta, Álex García, Asier Etxeandia, Luisa Gavasa.

Producers: Get In The Picture Productions, S.L, Cine Chromatix.

Federico García Lorca's classic play <u>Blood Wedding</u> serves as the basis for this engrossing drama. Feroz winner Inma Cuesta plays the title character, whose upcoming marriage is derailed by the arrival of an old flame (Álex García). Shot in Turkey by cinematographer Migue Amoedo, the film's occasionally fantastical imagery elevates a tragic love triangle into the realm of poetry. In Spanish with English subtitles.

Q&A in between films with THE BRIDE director Paula Ortiz.

Followed by

TO STEAL FROM A THIEF (CIEN AÑOS DE PERDÓN)

2016, Fox International Pictures, 96 min. Dir. Daniel Calparsoro.

Cast: Luis Tosar, Rodrigo de la Serna, Raúl Arévalo, José Coronado, Patricia Vico, Marian Álvarez, Joaquín Furriel, Luciano Cáceres.

Producers: Morena Films, Vaca Films, Telefónica Studio S.L.U, Telecinco Cinema, K&S, Invasión Producción AIE.

Among the year's biggest box office hits in Spain, this expertly crafted heist film follows a team of robbers (led by Rodrigo de la Serna and Luis Tosar, both superb) who hit a Valencia bank. They make off with a number of safe deposit boxes – but one of them is filled with political

information that the government is eager to keep secret. "Daniel Calparsoro's well-dressed, high-energy heist thriller blends action with a timely critique of contemporary political corruption." - Jonathan Holland, The Hollywood Reporter. In Spanish with English subtitles.

Saturday, October 15 – 7:30 PM

DOUBLE FEATURE

KIKI, LOVE TO LOVE (KIKI, EL AMOR SE HACE),

Los Angeles Premiere! 2016, Strand Releasing, 102 min.

Cast: Paco León, Ana Katz, Belén Cuesta, Álex García, Natalia de Molina, Candela Peña, Luis Callejo, Luis Bermejo, Mari Paz Sayago, Alexandra Jiménez, David Mora.

Producers: Vértigo Films, S.L. Telecinco Cinema.

Through interwoven stories, five couples revel in and struggle with sexual fetishes in one of Spain's biggest box office hits of the year. Actor-director Paco León's (CARMINA OR BLOW UP) kinky comedy recalls the uninhibited spirit of Pedro Almodóvar with a knack for hilarious set pieces that is uniquely his own. "Throughout, KIKI skillfully straddles the line between the comedy you'd expect and the compassion which makes it work at a deeper level." - Jonathan Holland, The Hollywood Reporter. In Spanish with English subtitles.

Q&A in between films with KIKI, LOVE TO LOVE and EL PREGÓN actress Belén Cuesta.

Followed by

PARTY TOWN (EL PREGÓN),

US Premiere!, 2016, 75 min. Dir. Dani de la Orden.

Cast: Andreu Buenafuente, Berto Romero, Belén Cuesta, Jorge Sanz.

Producers: AtresMedia Cine, El Terrat, Cacare Sanguis S.L.

This bright comedy is the perfect vehicle for Spanish TV stars Andreu Buenafuente and Berto Romero, playing brothers whose duo act, Supergalactic, had a one-off pop hit in the 1990s. When the mayor of their hometown asks them to reunite, the two decide to overlook their differences for one last taste of stardom – and a quick payday – but their fans, local traditions and hidden agendas complicate their plans. In Spanish with English subtitles.

Saturday, October 15 – 8:00 PM SPECIAL SCREENING-Los Angeles Premiere!. [At The Spielberg Theatre in the Egyptian Theatre]

THE CORPSE OF ANNA FRITZ (EL CADÁVER DE ANNA FRITZ)

Los Angeles Premiere!, 2015, Invincible Pictures, 76 min. Dir. Hèctor Hernández Vicens.

Cast: Alba Ribas, Cristian Valencia, Bernat Saumell, Albert Carbó.

Producers: A contraluz film, Benecé Produccions, Corte y Confección de películas, Playtime Movies, Silendum films.

Anna Fritz (Alba Ribas) was a famous and beautiful actress; after her sudden death her body arrives at the morgue, where attendant Pau (Albert Carbó) can't resist telling Iván (Cristian Valencia) and Javi (Bernat Saumell). The two friends want a look – and maybe more – but things soon take an unexpected turn in this brisk and disturbing thriller. In Spanish with English subtitles.

Sunday, October 16 – 7:30 PM DOUBLE FEATURE

SPY TIME (ANACLETO: AGENTE SECRETO)

Los Angeles Theatrical Premiere!

2015, 93 min. Dir. Javier Ruiz Caldera.

Cast: Imanol Arias, Quim Gutiérrez, Alexandra Jiménez, Berto Romero, Carlos Areces.

Producers: Telefónica Estudios, Zeta Studios, Agente Secreto AIE.

What would you do if you suddenly discovered your father was James Bond? That's what thirtysomething slacker Adolfo (Quim Gutiérrez) is faced with when he's targeted by one of his father's old adversaries (Carlos Areces). Veteran actor Imanol Arias stars as the *agente secreto* in this hugely enjoyable action-comedy adaptation of Manuel Vázquez Gallego's 1960s comic strip. In Spanish with English subtitles.

Q&A in between films with SPY TIME director Javier Ruiz Caldera.

Followed by

TORO

Los Angeles Theatrical Premiere!, 2016, 105 min. Dir. Kike Maíllo.

Cast: Mario Casas, Luis Tosar, José Sacristán, Claudia Canal.

Producers: Apaches Entertaiment, Atresmedia Cine, Escándalo Films, Zirco Zine, Telefónica Studios, Maestranza Films.

Toro (Mario Casas) has almost managed to put his criminal past behind him when he gets a desperate request from his brother (Luis Tosar), whose daughter is being held by Toro's former boss, crime kingpin Romano (José Sacristán). Set in Andalusia, this fast-paced thriller boasts strong central performances and electrifying action sequences. In Spanish with English subtitles.

Sunday, October 16 – 8:00 PM SPECIAL SCREENING

Free of charge. First come, first served!

[At The Spielberg Theatre in the Egyptian Theatre]

Special Short Films Screening

Recent Spanish Shorts, 90 min.

Join us for an evening of the best new short films from Spanish filmmakers, including this year's New Filmmakers from Spain Award winner "The Suitor" (12min, Dir. Álvaro Congosto). Program also includes 2016 & 2015 finalists "Through the Wall" (8 min. Dir Tim Nackashi) and "Number 2: If I were Marylin" (15 min, Dir. JC Falcón), plus the Goya -winning "the Runner" (12 min. Dir. Jose Luis Montesinos) and more.

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