



HAVANA FILM FESTIVAL NEW YORK - APRIL 6-17, 2018
Celebrating Latin American Cinema since 2000

HFFNY returns to NYC for its 19th edition-featuring a 12-day program packed with movie premieres, musical events, and masterclasses featuring top Latino talent!

HFFNY pays homage to prolific Cuban screenwriter Senel Paz; Remembers filmmaking masters Tomás Gutiérrez Alea and Fernando Birri

HFFNY honors the 25th anniversary of TV Serrana-the award-winning Cuban film and video collective based in the Sierra Maestra

HFFNY Kicks off with First Fridays! @ The Bronx Museum of the Arts – April 6

WHAT: The 19th Havana Film Festival New York (HFFNY) features over 25 films from Latin America, including critically-acclaimed comedies, award-winning dramas, box-office hits, recently restored classics, and World, US and NY Premieres plus free programs in partnerships with leading cultural institutions in the Manhattan, Queens, and the Bronx. For more information and a full festival lineup please visit www.HFFNY.com.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 19th HFFNY:

- Screenings of award-winning Latin American films competing for Havana Star Prize in the categories Best Screenplay, Best Director, Best Film, Best Actor, and Best Actress
- A masterclass with prolific Cuban screenwriter and author Senel Paz on scriptwriting
- A conversation with actors Sebastian Ospina (Colombia), Mirta Ibarra (Cuba) and Jorge Perugorría (Cuba) on how they approach the script and construct their characters
- An homage to Tomás Gutiérrez Alea (1928-1996), in celebration of his 90th birthday, and screenings of his newly restored classic works
- An *In Memoriam* screening of the late Argentine director Fernando Birri's most seminal works
- A two-day program honoring *TV Serrana's* 25th anniversary, the Cuban community-based television and radio collective
- Live music and parties
- Opportunities to meet actors, directors, and other international guests; participate in panels and special events; and watch films seldom screened in New York City



WHEN: April 6-17, 2018

WHY: HFFNY is the **longest-running Latino Film Festival in NYC**; an annual Latino film and cultural event that New Yorkers eagerly look forward to, premiering the latest Latino films by prominent and emerging cinema visionaries throughout the continent. The festival offers an international variety of award-winning films, retrospectives, and panel discussions with notable local and international directors, actors, and producers. A full program and festival line-up will be available at www.hffny.com in March.

FREE EVENTS & SCREENINGS

HFFNY offers free special events and screenings in partnership with renowned local cultural institutions including the Bronx Museum of the Arts, King Juan Carlos I of Spain Center at NYU (KJCC), School of Visual Arts and Museum of the Moving Image.

WHERE: HFFNY FESTIVAL VENUES

April 6: **The Bronx Museum of the Arts** - 1040 Grand Concourse at 165th St., The Bronx

April 7-8: **Museum of the Moving Image** – 35th Ave. at 37th St, Queens

April 9: **Building of International Affairs, Columbia University** 420 W 118th Street, Manhattan

April 10: **King Juan Carlos I of Spain Center, NYU**—53 Washington Square South, Manhattan

April 11-16: **AMC Loews 34th Street** – 312 West 34 Street, Manhattan

April 16: **School of Visual Arts Amphitheater**—209 East 23rd Street, Manhattan

April 17: **Directors Guild of America Theater** – 110 West 57th St. (Bet. 6th and 7th Ave), Manhattan

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