

LATIN AMERICA WEEK @ Queen's



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A celebration of cultures

Monday 9th May – Friday 13th May, the Latin American Studies Forum at Queen's University Belfast is proud to host a series of events celebrating a wealth of cultures and experiences from across Latin America.

- **'Moments from a strange time: documenting the Chilean miner crisis'**

An exciting exhibition of photographs by local artist, Adam Patterson, that relates to his experiences in Chile whilst working on the BBC Panorama documentary that covered the rescue of 33 miners in 2010. Exhibition runs from 9-13 May, 2011. Admission free.

- **'Arpilleras and the poetry of survival'**

This is a celebration of the Chilean cultural tradition of appliqué wall hangings that tell a story. The *arpilleras* became prominent in Chile during the 1973 to 1990 dictatorship as they portrayed women's struggles in their everyday lives. Since then they have evolved beyond Chile to engage new audiences across the world, and continue to be a means of expressing concerns and hopes of individuals and their communities. Guided tours will take place on 10th May, 6pm & 26 May, 11.30am-5.30pm. Exhibition runs until the 9th June 2011. Admission free.

- **'Pursuing Reconciliation and Solidarity'**

This event brings together a variety of individuals whose work engages with grass roots and non-governmental organizations pursuing reconciliation across many contexts and cultures in Latin America. It seeks to create a space for public dialogue and to highlight the benefits of continued Northern Irish involvement and interest in this work in the 21st century. Admission free.

- **'Bumbos, Bois, and Cirandas'**

'Bumbos, Bois and Cirandas' is a show based on the street folk drama traditions of Brazil. Our production involves QUB students performing with members of 'Urucungos, Puitas e Quijengues', a dramatic dance troupe from Campinas, Brazil. Together they will create a rhapsodic atmosphere of music, dance, colour and narrative that depicts rural Brazil. Admission free.

- **Focus on Latin America at the Queen's Film Theatre**

Four classics of Latin American cinema (Mexico, Colombia, Chile & Brazil), featuring a short introductory talk:

- Monday, 9th, 8.50pm - *Amores Perros*
- Tuesday, 10th, 8.50pm - *María, llena eres de gracia*
- Wednesday, 11th, 8.50pm - *La Nana*
- Thursday, 12th, 8.50pm - *Carandiru*

(See the QFT website for further details)

ALL EVENTS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

About the Latin American Studies Forum

The Latin American Studies Forum at Queen's University Belfast seeks to provide a focal point for the diverse and geographically dispersed research activities and interests across the University and to engage with the wider Northern Ireland community.

This space brings together scholars and the wider public to engage in discussions of contemporary issues that impact on a global level, to encourage students to look outside the world of Northern Ireland, and to foster research of the highest quality through the organisation of seminars, workshops and lectures.

Research interests range from the colonial period of Spanish and Brazilian America to the 21st century and new topics of discussions are always welcome. Activities include a yearly series of seminars and a lively reading group.

For further information please go to:

<http://www.qub.ac.uk/schools/SchoolofLanguagesLiteraturesandPerformingArts/LatinAmericanStudiesForum/>

Events

- **Monday 9th, 6pm:**

'Moments from a strange time: documenting the Chilean miner crisis'

Launch of photographic exhibition by Adam Patterson

Venue: Foyer of the Drama and Film Centre/Queen's Film Theatre

- **Tuesday 10th, 6pm:**

'Arpilleras and the poetry of survival' curated by Roberta Bacic

Launch & Guided tour: Latin American arpilleras exhibition:

Venue: Welcome Centre, Queen's University

- **Wednesday, 11th, 4.45pm:**

'Brazilian Street Dance Dramas' (Erica Giesbrecht, UNICAMP)

Venue: 13 Uni. Sq., Informal talk

- **Wednesday, 11th, 6pm:**

'Pursuing Reconciliation and Solidarity'

Discussion facilitated by Daniel Holder : David Tombs (Irish School of Ecumenics, TCD); Louise Mallinder (Transitional Justice Institute, UU); Charo Lanao (Centre for Global Education); Óscar León (South American Missionary Society); Trócaire

Venue: Lanyon Building, Room G09, Queen's University Belfast.

- **Thursday, 12th, 7.30pm,**

'Bumbos, Bois, and Cirandas'

A performance of Brazilian street theatre, dance, and music with Urucungos, Puitas e Quijengues:

Venue: Whitla Hall, Queen's University

- **Monday - Thursday - Latin America Focus at the Queen's Film Theatre:**

http://www.queensfilmtheatre.com/uploads/documents/QFT_Guide_2011_April_May.pdf

Front image: 'Vida cotidiana en una población', Chile

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Back image: Detail, 'From far away come their stories, Ireland'

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