



**The Anglo-Bolivian
Society**

A festival of Bolivian film in aid of Friends of Bolivia

**Saturday 10th October 2009, from 12 noon
Bolivar Hall, 54 & 58 Grafton Way, London W1T 5DL**

Dear Members and Friends,

Friends of Bolivia (registered charity 288866) and the Anglo Bolivian Society are delighted to present a mini festival of Bolivian film. We will be screening "*Mina Alaska*", "*Cocalero*" and "*Los Andes no Creen en Dios*". All proceeds will go towards the charity work undertaken by the Friends of Bolivia to relieve poverty, promote education and advance health in Bolivia. The Film Festival will take place on Saturday 10th October from 12 noon at the Bolivar Hall, 54 & 58 Grafton Way, London W1T 5DL.

Schedule:

12 Noon: *Mina Alaska* (Dir. Jorge Ruiz, 1968) 84 mins

Our first film honours Jorge Ruiz, one of the pioneers of the Bolivian film industry. Probably most famous for his documentary *Vuelve Sebastiana*, Ruiz is considered the father of indigenous Andean cinema, and has won international acclaim for his work.

Mina Alaska (Alaska Mine) tells the story of Jenny Smith, a young American journalist searching for her long-lost grandfather in the mountains of Bolivia. When she finds her grandfather's one-time partner and fellow gold-pro prospector, Rodrigo Diaz, he gives her answers that she didn't expect.

3pm: *Cocalero* (Dir. Alejandro Landes, 2007) 94 mins

A lively story about geopolitics, popular movements and indigenous culture, *Cocalero* follows Evo Morales during his 2005 campaign for the Bolivian presidency.

6.30pm: *Los Andes no Creen en Dios* (Dir. Antonio Eguino, 2007) 105 mins

Set in Uyuni in the early 1920s, *Los Andes No Creen en Dios* (The Andes Don't Believe in God) paints a stark picture of life in a small mining town in Bolivia at the beginning of the 20th century, as the lives of five characters interweave in a whirlwind of passion and adversity. (This film is not suitable for under 15s.)

Tickets are £7.50 per film, discounts are available when buying tickets for more than one screening. Places are limited and booking in advance is recommended.

NB: We will not be serving drinks or snacks at the venue.

For further information visit our website or to reserve your tickets call 07825 786948 or email friendsofbolivia@hotmail.com.

We hope to see you at the event, thank you for your support.

Kind Regards,

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