



2019 Calgary Spanish Film Festival



The 2019 Spanish Film Festival features a representative selection of films from 2018 and 2019 that will give Canadian audiences a taste of all the creativity, history, and talent of today's Spanish cinema.

The Embassy of Spain in collaboration with Globe Cinema, the European Cultural Society of Calgary and the Aula Cervantes, presents for the first time a festival of new films from Spain that do not have commercial distribution in Canada. Included are award winners and box-office champions. These four Calgary premieres are prime examples of the quality and vitality of film production in Spain today. Come and join us in celebrating Spanish film creativity!

From October 8-31, 2019, Ottawa, Toronto with the addition of Calgary this year for the first time, will host thoughtful, funny and provocative movies –all of them premiering in the cities where they will be screened.

In this edition, *El reino (The Realm)* – the first of many highlights – is a film that was featured at *TIFF 2018*. This thriller about political corruption was one of the stars at the 2019 Spanish Film Academy Goya Awards. *Campeones (Champions)* was one of the biggest box-office successes in Spain last year, and winner of the Goya for Best Film. Audiences will also have the opportunity to enjoy the self-consciousness of growing up when watching *La banda (Love Beats)* and *Viaje al cuarto de una madre (Journey to a Mother's Room)*. Besides, the comedies *¿Qué te juegas? (Get Her... If You Can)* and *Yo, mi mujer y mi mujer muerta (Me, Myself and My Dead Wife)* might just make you smile or even laugh out loud.

FILM
CALGARY

Tue, October 08–
Tue, October 29, 2019

Venue

Globe Cinema, 617 8 Ave SW,
Calgary, AB T2P 1H1

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Admission

Tickets available at the box office.
General admission: \$10; Children,
students and seniors: \$8

More information

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Credits

Presented by The Embassy of Spain in Ottawa, with the support of the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID), the Spanish Institute of Cinematography and Audiovisual Arts (ICAA), under the umbrella of SPAIN arts & culture, and in concert with independent local cinemas (ByTowne and Globe), the Department of Spanish and Portuguese of the University of Toronto, the European Cultural Society of Calgary and the Aula Cervantes



GET HER... IF YOU CAN (¿QUÉ TE JUEGAS?)

- On Tuesday, October 8 at 6:45 pm.
- Directed by Inés de León, 2019, 102 minutes.
- In Spanish with English subtitles. Comedy. [Watch trailer.](#)
- Official Selection at the Malaga Spanish Film Festival.

A young monologist, penniless, but eager to take on the world, it crosses the glamorous lives of Roberto, an idealist snob, and his sister Daniela, an aggressive executive: rich and successful heirs of the shipping Allende Salazar. If in parallel there is a shaman brought from the Amazon as a spiritual advisor, an admiral and two eternal aspiring actors ... Would you bet that nothing will be as it seems?



THE REALM (EL REINO)

- On Tuesday, October 15 at 6:45 pm.
- Directed by Rodrigo Sorogoyen, Spain / France, 2018, 131 minutes.
- In Spanish with English subtitles. Thriller. [Watch trailer.](#)
- Winner of 7 Goya Awards, including Best Director, Screenplay & Actor.

Manuel López-Vidal is a beloved politician in his region: he enjoys a good social position, has a loving family, friends everywhere and plenty of natural charisma. He is also a corrupt man who has been enriching himself with public funds for years. After attempting to cover up for an associate, Manuel is left exposed. To his surprise, the Party's members seek to place the blame for the entire plot on his shoulders. But he will not surrender. How far is a person willing to go in order to hold on to power?



JOURNEY TO A MOTHER'S ROOM (VIAJE AL CUARTO DE UNA MADRE)



- **On Tuesday, October 22 at 6:45 pm.**
- Directed by Celia Rico, 2018, 90 minutes.
- In Spanish with English subtitles. Drama. [Watch trailer.](#)
- 4 Nominations at the 2019 Goya Awards.

Leonor wants to leave home but she doesn't dare tell her mother. Estrella doesn't want her daughter to go, but she isn't able to keep her by her side. Mother and daughter will have to face a new time in their lives in which the world they share is wavering.



LOVE BEATS (LA BANDA)

- **On Tuesday, October 29 at 6:45 pm.**
- Directed by Roberto Bueso, 2019, 87 minutes.
- In Spanish and Catalan with English subtitles. Drama. [Watch trailer.](#)
- Official Selection at the Malaga Spanish Film Festival.

Edu is a young musician who will have to temporarily abandon his monotonous life in dreary London to return to his hometown in Spain for his brother's wedding. After years away, a sense of strangeness and nostalgia leave him feeling like he's on the outside looking in until, gradually, the reunion with friends, family and especially, Alicia, his secret crush and his best friend's girlfriend, bring out feelings that he thought he had gotten over.

