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The Seattle International
Latino Film Festival

Grace and The Gift

Two short films exploring the impact of U.S. immigration policies on Latino families.

Followed by a Panel discussion moderated by Flor Alarcon Medrano

Panelists include:

Jorge Barón, Northwest Immigrants Rights Project

Maru Villalpando, Washington Community Action Network

September 25, 2009

6:30pm Reception with refreshments

7:00-8:00pm Films and Panel Discussion

Langston Hughes Performing Arts Center,

104 17th Ave. S, Seattle, 98144

Free!

For a list of other films in the festival visit: <http://cineseattle.org/2009.pdf>

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The Gift/El Regalo

5/2009-México NW Premiere

Spanish w/ English subtitles

Español con subtítulos en inglés

Directed by/Dirigido por: Stuart Escobedo Altman.

Cast/Elenco: Pedro López, Emilio Rosal, Luis Deveze, Chris Ingersoll, Chris Barron.

Three Mexican immigrants, on their "Homeric Adventure", use a mythical beast in order to cross the border into the United States. It is a political comedy which shows the vicissitudes of three Mexicans, in search of "The American Dream".

Tres inmigrantes mexicanos, en su "aventura homérica", utilizan una bestia mítica para cruzar la frontera norte con Estados Unidos. Una comedia política que muestra las vicisitudes de tres mexicanos en busca del "sueño americano".

Grace

8/2009-USA West Coast Premiere

Spanish & English w/ English subtitles

Español e inglés con subtítulos en inglés

Directed by/Dirigido por: Alrick Brown.

A short film about a woman, a mother, and an immigrant with everything to lose, but her faith.

Una película corta sobre una mujer, madre e inmigrante con todo que perder, menos su fe.

Panelists:

Jorge L. Barón:

Jorge L. Barón became the Executive Director of the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project (NWIRP) in April 2008, after serving as a staff attorney with the organization since 2006. Jorge is originally from Bogotá, Colombia, and immigrated to the United States in 1986. He graduated from Duke University in 1995, and spent five years working in the film and television industry in Los Angeles, California, before pursuing a legal career. Jorge received his law degree from Yale Law School in 2003. After graduation, he served as a law clerk for Judge Betty B. Fletcher of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in Seattle. Jorge then served as an Arthur Liman Public Interest Fellow at New Haven Legal Assistance Association in New Haven, Connecticut, before moving back to the Pacific Northwest and starting his position at NWIRP. Jorge lives in Seattle with his wife Tyler and their two children Isabella and Joaquín

Maru Mora Villalpando is a lead community organizer with Washington Community Action Network and has been organizing mostly in the Latino community for over 10 years. Her work has focused on immigrant rights and, in the past two years, on reducing health care disparities in the immigrant community and for economic justice. She has established relationships in different communities of color. Maru is a lead trainer and has trained different groups of advocates, parents and workers on immigrant rights, organizing skills and political

analysis. Her relationship with the community has made her a key player in reporting and responding to immigration raids and connecting those raids to a long term organizing strategy.