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13th HAVANA FILM FESTIVAL NEW YORK (HFFNY) takes place **April 12-20**, with special events April 20th at the Bronx Museum of the Arts, and April 20-22 at the Museum of the Moving Image in Queens. HFFNY features more than 50 highly anticipated and influential films from and about Latin America, the Caribbean, and Latinos in the U.S. including Cuba, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Peru, Venezuela and the U.S. They span a variety of genres and themes, ranging from comedy, thrillers, action, drama and documentaries to children's tales, as well as films from and about indigenous peoples from Guatemala, Colombia and Bolivia. A complete schedule of events and venues will be available starting March 15th at www.hffny.com

What: HFFNY is a highly anticipated cultural event with a program of award-winning films, panel discussions, and Q&A sessions with distinguished international directors, actors, and producers. This year, HFFNY will pay tribute to the Cuban actress Eslinda Nuñez, presenting some of her most relevant roles: *Amada* (Humberto Solas), *Bailando Chachacha* (Manuel Herrera) and *Cecilia* (Humberto Solas); films that are considered classics these days.

Opening Night Film: The Festival opens April 12th at the Directors Guild Theatre with the N.Y. Premiere of *Habanastation*, the latest film by Cuban director Ian Padrón. The film presents the story of two young boys who become friends despite their differences, a film that speaks of a Havana that reveals two distinct faces, from the everyday life of these **youngsters**.

Closing Night Film: HFFNY closes on April 20th at 7 pm at the New York Directors Guild Theatre with the highly anticipated N.Y. premiere of *Juan of the Dead*, Alejandro Bruges' second feature film. A series of strange events start to develop: more and more people become violent, attacking each other. At first, Juan believes that it's just another stage of the Cuban revolution but then he realizes that the culprits are not human and killing them would be very difficult. The first "zombie movie" made in Cuba.

Havana Star Prize: 24 films will be competing to receive the Havana Star Prize for fiction and the Havana Star Prize for documentary, which will be awarded on April 20th at the Closing Night ceremony. **All foreign language films are subtitled in English.**

Free Films and Events: HFFNY 2012 is collaborating with the Museum of Moving Image, the Bronx Museum of the Arts, the Instituto Cervantes, to offer free and low-cost events.

Where: Quad Cinema: 34 West 13th Street (between 5th & 6th Avenues), Manhattan
Museum of the Moving Image, 35th Avenue at 37th Street, Astoria, Queens
The Bronx Museum of the Arts: 1040 Grand Concourse at 165th Street, The Bronx
Instituto Cervantes: 49th Street between 2nd & 3rd Aves, Manhattan