FIRST INTERNATIONAL SPANISH-LANGUAGE DOCUMENTARY FESTIVAL
Texas State University – San Marcos
April 7 & 8, 2010 - San Marcos, Texas, USA

OPEN CALL FOR ENTRIES – CONVOCATORIA

The Center for the Study of Latino Media & Markets, at Texas State University-San Marcos, Texas, invites Mass Communication and Film-Making undergraduate students and Faculty in colleges and universities in the Unites States, Latin America, the Caribbean and the Iberian Peninsula to participate in “Puntos de Vista” – “Points of View” Festival, an international Spanish-language documentary festival.

The goal is to challenge the students in the art of producing Spanish-language documentaries, which explore, through their eyes, the perceptions, ideas, aspirations and points of view on life.

The Festival is scheduled to take place on April 8 at Texas State University-San Marcos, in San Marcos, Texas, U.S.A. The submission deadline is March 1, 2010. The format is a 15-20 minutes documentary produced in Spanish language. The Festival Committee—consisting of professional filmmakers and faculty—will select the best documentaries to participate in the “Puntos de Vista” Documentary Festival. Those seeking lodging can find links to local hotels on our website. http://www.masscomm.txstate.edu/cslmm.html

THE FESTIVAL INCLUDES:

1. Documentary Competition Awards
   • FIRST PLACE: US$2,000
   • SECOND PLACE: US$1,000
   • THIRD PLACE: US$500

2. Screening Exhibition
The selected documentaries must be presented by the documentary producer(s) at Texas State University – San Marcos, on April 8, 2010, during the Festival. The documentaries must be submitted in Spanish, but may include English subtitles.

3. **Workshop Opportunities**
   Participants and documentary producers will have an opportunity to attend a workshop on “New Trends in Global Communication” by Texas State University-San Marcos faculty.

4. **Public Televised Exhibition**
   The Hispanic Information and Telecommunications Network (HITN) will feature the Festival’s 15 best documentaries on May 2010. [www.hitn.org](http://www.hitn.org)

5. **Internet Media Exposure**
   The selected documentaries will be exhibited at our website for an open voting system for the public to actively participate during the period of March 25 to April 7, 2010.

**Voting Process**
An online vote will be taken from viewers two weeks prior to the event; public’s opinion will be taken in consideration (40%) by the judges during the competition. The Festival’s judges, who will assign 60% of the score, will include film and journalism professors and professionals.

**Documentary Type**
Topics of interest include but are not limited to the following genres: drama, political, mystery, culture, and environmental issues.

**Checklist of Required Materials**

**Applicant must send the following materials electronically to elcentro@txstate.edu before, or by March 1, 2010.**

1. Completed entry form
2. Synopsis (200-400 words) including title and documentary maker(s)’ information
3. Photocopy of student(s) ID

**Applicant must print the entry form, sign it, and place in the submission package, which must include:**

4. Three (3) copies of properly labeled DVDs (Including title of the film, and documentary producers).
5. One (1) photo (jpeg only) - of production such as poster or filmgrab, send on a CD and/or e-mail through the electronic registration package.
6. Optional: Press kits (brochures, cards, press clips, etc)

Send complete package mail, UPS or FedEx to:

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