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## June Tertulia

Saturday 16 June 2012

**Cuba: Afrocuban culture**

@ 7:00pm presented by Carlos Uxo



The HSV is glad to invite Dr Carlos Uxo who will talk about the Afrocuban culture in this Caribbean country. Dr Uxo is lecturer and coordinator of the Spanish Program at Latrobe University. His PhD degree was precisely about the influence of the black culture in the Cuban literature. This topic still remains as his research priority.

After the presentation, a light soup inspired in the Cuban cuisine will be served. You will enjoy "Moors and Christians" a traditional Cuban dish. The dish, based on rice and black beans, presumably took its name from the time the Moors occupied the Iberic Peninsula.

You are invited to attend this interesting presentation in the company of relatives and friends.

**Members: \$15 Teens: \$ 10 Non Members: \$20**

## Bookings

For catering purposes, please let us know if you are attending our tertulia and also if you have any vegetarian requirements.

Please contact:

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## Message from the President

*Dear members and friends of HSV,*

*This month, the Committee has worked diligently in two main activities: The June Tertulia about Cuba and the Gala Night to celebrate the 60 anniversary of our Society.*

*For the Tertulias, our main interest is maintaining good quality standards with a balanced combination of culture and entertainment. This target has been achieved in many ways and comments from members and invited friends have been very positive and encouraging.*

*For the Gala Night, several activities have been already finalised. The venue will be "Golden Sands Receptions" in Burwood. The entertainment part has already been defined. But the most important aspect about this event is the involvement of some organisations external to us. ETU, Colmao Flamenco and Publicity Works have decided to provide economic support to guarantee a complete success for the October party. During this process, we approached several other organisations looking either for sponsorship or cooperation.*

*The achievements already mentioned are showing us that we are a more robust institution. And it has been done according to the requirements of these times, so intense in technological advances. To mention only one case, the Society has already its presence in Internet. Probably we still are not aware of its importance but this gate has been opened to the world to know more and also to be known by others. We have to take full advantage of this and other technological resources if we don't want to lay behind from other organisations with similar objectives. But we always have to be conscious of not losing our identity because after all, the HSV will remain as an entity that pursues and transmits culture. But this time, with a wider and more efficient coverage within our community*

*Hasta Pronto*

*Luis Alban*

## May Tertulia

The May Tertulia presented by Marcia Katting was excellent. Marcia described in detail the Mayan culture. Its numerical system, calendars, art, and colossal pyramids, was a journey to a fabulous world where in some place in history the Mayans lived a golden era.

The audience also had the opportunity of enjoying the Spanish song interpreted by Maurice Katting, the excellent voice of Tania Stewart with her romantic melodies (do you remember the girl from Ipanema?) and the harmony of Alfirio's harp.

The popular "Baleadas" from Honduras was the main dish of the night. At the end of the Tertulia, as we always do, we danced tropical music.

Special thanks to Marcia's family for their support attending the Tertulia. To Elizabeth Ramirez for the idea of preparing "Baleadas" and to the Committee members and volunteers for their great job.

## Calendar of HSV Events 2012

Save these dates:

Date	Event Theme	Starting Time	Finishing Time
Saturday <b>16 June</b>	Cuba	7:00pm	11:00pm
Sunday <b>15 July</b>	Christmas in July	12:00pm	4:00pm
Saturday <b>11 August</b>	Mexico	7:00pm	8:00pm
Saturday <b>8 September</b>	TBA	7:00pm	11:00pm
Saturday <b>13 October</b>	Gala Night 60 Years Celebration	7:30pm	???
Saturday <b>17 November</b>	Venezuela	7:00pm	11:00pm
Sunday <b>9 December</b>	Christmas Lunch	12:00pm	4:00pm

## Peña Grupo Tunari



The Peña organized by the Tunari group the 5<sup>th</sup> of May and with the support of the HSV was a success. The Andean music from the Bolivian plains and the dancers provided us very entertaining moments. Some members of the Society attended the event. In our familiar Hall of Box Hill we had the opportunity of getting together in an event different to the Tertulias and also of making new friends.

## Booking to Tertulias

In the last May Tertulia some members and friends who said would attend, didn't come without a previous notice. This is an inconvenient situation as there is waste of food and also impedes other people attending the event. In the name of the Committee I would cordially ask to let us know two days in advance if your initial decision has changed

## Gala Night at a glance

- Venue: Golden Sands Receptions
- Date: Saturday 13 October 2012
- Time: 6:15pm till 12am
- Orchestra: Del Barrio
- Sponsors: ETU, Colmao Flamenco, Publicity Works
- Cost \$65
- Early bird \$60 before 8 September
- Tickets for sale first week of June
- Flyers ready for distribution



**Golden Sands**

Tertulia Saturday May 12, 2012





## Other Events of Interest

**melbourne**  
**filmoteca**  
latin american, spanish and portuguese film group

### La Zona

5th June  
7:30 pm, ACMI


**Director:** Rodrigo Plá  
**Country:** Mexico  
**Year:** 2007  
**Time running:** 97 mins  
**Language:** Spanish with English subtitles

Unclassified 18+

**Tickets:** \$15, \$12 -Concession  
On sale at ACMI Box office: 8663 2583  
or online at: [www.acmi.net.au/ticket](http://www.acmi.net.au/ticket)

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A WALL DIVIDES  
TWO COMPLETELY DIFFERENT WORLDS?

Melbourne Filmoteca and the Spanish consulate invite you to reflect on this question through the lens of La Zona, a Mexican-Spanish and Argentinean Drama-thriller.



La Zona tells the story of an exclusive new neighbourhood protected against crime in Mexico D.F. The only condition its inhabitants are imposed is that they should keep the zone free of violence.

Days run smoothly until a group of robbers break into one of the houses. Now neighbours should decide whether to denounce the incident before the police or remain silent, as they are afraid of losing their privileges of living in the zone. One of the robbers could not escape and depends on Alejandro's mercy not to be reported, a boy who lives in the house where he is hidden.

**FESTIVALS**

- VENICE FILM FESTIVAL: **BEST DEBUT FEATURE 2008**
- TORONTO INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL: **INTERNATIONAL CRITIC'S AWARD**
- GOLDEN INDIAN CATALINA: **BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY 2008**

<http://www.melbournefilmoteca.org/next.html>

## A Salsa Explosion in the Heart of Fitzroy



**Every Thursday, starting May 31, 2012**  
**First Floor, 393 Brunswick St, Fitzroy**

Cruzao Arepa Bar is thrilled to present the Salsa Explosion in the Heart of Fitzroy: a new event in the already broadly multicultural and vibrant

<http://www.cruzao.com.au/news/a-salsa-explosion-in-the-heart-of-fitzroy/>

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