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## May Tertulia

Saturday 12 May 2012

**Honduras:** The World of the Mayan

@ 7:00pm presented by Marcia Katting



Join us exploring the World of the Mayan, their astonishing breakthroughs in arts and sciences, their written language, city planning and architecture. In particular, this presentation, by our own Marcia Katting, will highlight the amazing "Ruinas de Copan" in Honduras; small in size but impressive in details, making Copan stand out among the archaeological findings of the Maya civilization.

After the presentation, a light supper inspired in Honduran cuisine will be provided

**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:

Genevieve on **9561 2935** or  
Esther on **0437 754 358**

## Message from the President

Dear members and friends of HSV,

My name is Luis Alban recently elected president of the Hispanic Society of Victoria. I have been living in Australia for almost 20 years being part of this great country identified by its multicultural diversity. I am Chemical Engineer currently working as Senior Lecturer at RMIT University.

It constitutes an honour and a privilege to be the President of the HSV. At the same time it is a position that involves diverse responsibilities created by the desire of reaching tangible goals in the short and long terms. This can only be achieved with the hard work and commitment of the new Committee and the support and enthusiasm from all the HSV members and friends of this society.

This year is a special year for the society. We celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its creation and we obviously want to remember this milestone with something special. The Gala Night in October will be that special moment for enjoyment, friendship and pride after seeing how far we have gone in promoting the Hispanic Culture in this country.

I would like to congratulate the new Committee integrated by new and experienced members. I am convinced that their commitment and capacity will facilitate my role as President.

Finally, as treasurer of the former committee I also would like to congratulate my colleagues for the excellent work displayed during the last twelve months. This group, with the leadership and enthusiasm of Eliana Jones, have showed us the path to see an even more promising future for the society. Hasta pronto,

*Luis Alban*

## Committee Members elected for 2012 – 2013

President: Luis Alban  
Vice-president: Octavio Martinez  
Secretary: Genevieve Archer  
Treasurer: Gloria Madrigales

### *General members:*

Elvira Cifaretti  
Christina Evert  
Eliana Jones  
Hugo Otalora  
Victoria Perianes  
Juanita Stewart  
Graeme Walters

The AGM had an excellent attendance with 52 financial members allowed to participate in the election of the new Committee. Special thanks to Stephen Cope for his excellent and professional way of coordinating the election process. Also to Elizabeth Ramirez for the preparation of the exquisite beef casserole. Options of salads were provided by members and Committee members.

## Calendar of HSV Events 2012

Save these dates:

Date	Event Theme	Starting Time	Finishing Time
Saturday <b>12 May</b>	Honduras	7:00pm	11:00pm
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

## New Members and Renewals

On behalf of the HSV I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new member Isabelle Alban and also to those former members who renewed their membership in April: Marcia & Michael Kating, Arnold & Arlette Howard, Leonie Loveday & Willy Quiroga, Roger & Gemma Seddon, Dermot Coleman, and Ron White.

Our society has already 63 financial members for 2012 – 2013. Our aim is to reach at least the 80 mark. You have the opportunity of renewing your membership in the May Tertulia.

## HSV Annual Members Survey 2011 – 2012

The HSV Committee introduced an annual survey with the aim of obtaining formal and structured feedback from HSV members. Greg Jones, HSV member, did the collection and analysis of data. Survey return rate was 41%. Some survey results are summarised in table below.

Question	Very Satisfied %	Satisfied %	Not Satisfied %	Not Valid %
Location & facilities	78	22	0	0
Tertulia presentations	70	30	0	0
Quality of food and drinks	59	33	4	4
Price for Tertulias	52	33	15	0
Planning & running of events	81	15	0	4
Quality & content of newsletter	60	26	7	7
Quality & content of Website	51	30	4	15

## Upcoming Events

### Peña Grupo Tunari – NEW DATE



HSV is proud to support Grupo Tunari's first Peña at Lions Club Hall on **Saturday 5 May 2012 @ 7pm**. If you like Latin music this is a chance to enjoy the talent of Grupo Tunari.

## Other Events of Interest



### Next Screening

## Seawards Journey (Viaje Hacia el Mar)

Unclassified 18+  
Guillermo Cassanova, 78 mins, Uruguay, 2003, DVCAM, Spanish with English Subtitles. Source: [Lavoragine Films](#).



It's 1963 and six men from the country are venturing from the city of Minas to the beach at Canelones, to see the sea for the very first time.

Travelling together in a broken-down freight truck, they reveal their own particular ways of living, celebrating the spirit of adventure as they roll towards the ocean and into the unknown.

Date:	Tuesday 1 May 2012, 7.30pm
Location:	ACMI Cinemas
Admission:	Full \$15 Concession/ACMI Members \$12



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### **PARTY AT THE "CENTRO ARGENTINO"**

**Place:** Errington Community Centre

1-3 Princess Street, St Albans, 3021 (Melway 26 A2)

**Date:** 26 May from 6:30 pm to midnight

**Dress:** Casual

**Members: \$20 Non-members: \$25 Under 12 don't pay**  
(Includes Argentinean asado, dessert and dancing with DJ)

For more information contact Irene on 93185523

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