## Welcome to the first rendering of SEPTIMO ARTE: PARAGUAYO

This exhibition series offers an exploration of recent filmmaking in Paraguay.

- Lorena Ramírez-López Curator and organizer, Ar7ePY, 2014

## Wednesday, May 14, 2014



6:30 – 7:30 pm **Profesión Cincero** (*THE CINERO*) Hugo Gamarra Etcheverry/ 2007/ 60 min

Tito Juan Vera used to work as film projectionist, unveiling the magic of the movies to people in the Paraguayan interior...Tito tells of his experiences and commemorates the golden days of cinema, through the thousands of film reels, posters, and equipment conserved from his job.

This event will be held at the Michelson Theater @ NYU



Thursday, May 15, 2014

6:00 – 8:15pm María Escobar

Galia Giminez/2002/135 min.

Country mice Julia Gomez and pal Ruth Ferreiro arrive in Asuncion to work as maids next door to each other-with Gomez's big-city adventures starting with an encounter with the microwave-but when their night-off entertainment moves up from discoing to checking out male strippers, who should show up but Gomez's job- hunting hometown boyfriend Avelino Ruíz Díaz. But when sleazy Christian Pérez arrives to break up the scene, other possibilities loom.



8:20 – 10:15 **MIRAMENOMETOKEI** (THORN OF THE SOUL)

Enrique Collar/ 2002/ 112 min.

Saturday night at the local bar and stories interlock: Humberto Gulino finally spills a big secret to pal Ramon del Río; innocent-looking Katherine Catolino, who painfully talks about her past with her mom, is Luis Zorilla's fiancée but dreams of running off with José Pérez Chávez who's afraid to divorce his wife for financial reasons; while Zorilla and his equally broke pal yearn to get out of town.

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\*Opening Reception will follow.

## Friday, May 16, 2014

7:00 – 8:00pm PANEL: JAJAPO! How Paraguayan Filmmakers are making it happen

Discussion on how Paraguayan filmmakers are working on making Paraguayan cinema a recognized national industry to the world.

These filmmakers are developing the "cinematographic tradition that Paraguay had lacked for so long." (Gamarra)

Guest Speakers: Eva Karene Romero NYU Spanish Professor SKYPE Interview with Director



8:05 – 9: 25pm **HAMACA PARAGUAYA** (*Paraguayan Hammock*) Paz Encina/ 2006/ 78 min.

June 14, 1935. It is fall, but the heat is persistent with no signs of respite. In an isolated place in the Paraguay, Cándida and Ramón is an old peasant couple that wait for the return of their son who left to fight at the front in the Chaco War.

## Saturday, May 17, 2014



6:30 – 8:00 pm **108: CUCHILLO DE PALO** Renate Costa, 2011, 91 min.

When Rodolfo Costa was found naked on the floor of his home in Paraguay, he had been dead for days. Though ostensibly jobless, he had mysteriously amassed a small fortune. He also had a secret alias—Héctor Torres—and a secret life.



8:05 – 9:45pm **7 Cajas** (*7 Boxes*) Juan Carlos Maneglia and Tana Schembori 2012/ 100 min

Víctor, a 17 year-old handcart operator, and dreams of becoming famous due to the TV he watches at an appliance store in the Municipal Market No. 4. When he receives an unusual proposal to transport 7 boxes with unknown contents in exchange for a \$100 bill, Víctor, who has never seen a bill of this denomination, has no idea how much Guaraníes this is worth. But he also knows that he shouldn't ask. Víctor and his persuaders will get involved in a crime that they know nothing about.

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