



# Spanish Film Festival Roanoke College 2015

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**WHEN** January 14-February 18, 2015  
**WHERE** COLKET CENTER, WORTMAN BALLROOM  
Roanoke College

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**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 7:30 PM**

**UN CUENTO CHINO (Chinese Take-Away)**

Sebastián Borensztein / Argentina, Spain / 98 min / 2012 / Spanish and Mandarin with English subtitles

Roberto, a gruff loner, lords over his tiny hardware shop in Buenos Aires with a meticulous sense of control and routine, rarely allowing a foible. After a chance encounter with Jun, a Chinese man searching for a relative, Roberto takes him in, beginning an unusual cohabitation.



**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 7:30 PM**

**¿QUIÉN ES DAYANI CRISTAL? (Who is Dayani Cristal?)**

Marc Silver / Mexico, USA / 85 min / 2014 / English and Spanish with English subtitles

In the Sonora desert, Arizona border police discover a decomposing male body. Lifting a tattered T-shirt, they expose a tattoo that reads "Dayani Cristal." Who is he? How did he die? And who—or what—is Dayani Cristal?



**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 7:30 PM**

**EL REGRESO (The Return)**

Hernán Jiménez / Costa Rica / 95 min / 2011 / Spanish with English subtitles

After living 10 years in New York, 30 year-old Antonio returns to San José, Costa Rica, where he is forced to deal with the realities he ran away from. When events take an unexpected turn, Antonio is forced to remain home far longer than he had anticipated.



**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 7:30 PM**

**BAD HAIR (Pelo malo)**

Mariana Rondón / Venezuela / 93 min / 2013 / Spanish with English subtitles

A nine-year-old boy's preening obsession with straightening his hair elicits a tidal wave of homophobic panic in his hard-working mother, in this tender but clear-eyed coming-of-age tale. Junior is a beautiful boy, with big brown eyes, a delicate frame, and a head of luxurious dark curls. create a fantasy image of himself as a long-haired singer.



**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 7:30 PM**

**LA YUMA**

Florence Jaugey / Nicaragua / 91 min / 2011 / Spanish with English subtitles

*La Yuma* tells the story of a young woman who dreams of transcending her bleak life in the slums of Managua by becoming a boxer. Looking beyond the meager possibilities that seem available to her, she finds hope in her training and falls in love with a journalism student.

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