**Movies with Latino Focus**

The common factor of these movies is that they are in English (for the most part) and they represent some aspect of Latinos in America. You might want to rent and watch *The Bronze Screen: 100 Years of the Latino Image in Hollywood* to give you some ideas about how to view these films critically. In addition, you should look at several reviews written about the one you select in order to see how others saw them before you write your own review. Please review the requirements for the film review in the Assignments folder.

Note that with the exception of *The Mission*, which represents an aspect of Latino history, the setting of these movies is North America. Although *Motorcycle Diaries*, *Pan’s Labyrinth*, and the Almodovar movies are considered Latino by many, they take place in South America, Mexico, and Spain, respectively, and focus on people who are citizens of those countries. Therefore, they do not fit the definition of Latino as people of Hispanic ancestry who live or have lived in the US, which is how we are defining the term for this class.

If you have other movies that fit this category, please email the name of the movie, the year in which it was made, and a couple of sentences stating what you thought of it. I will add it to the longer list that I will share with the class at the end of the semester.

**You must select one of the five movies below for your movie review.**

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**Useful Sites on Latino Film**

Contains a diverse collection of information. Click on the link to take a look.

Puerto Ricans in Hollywood (IMDB)
http://www.imdb.com/list/yyjpRC14YT0/

Some criticism of the roles assigned to Puerto Ricans in film
http://www.trincoll.edu/~sramos/bandidos.htm

Puerto Rican Herald article of Latinos in film

Latino International Film Institute
http://latinofilm.org/

Latinos in Film (brief Wiki article)
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Latinos_in_film

Scholar Reviews Latinos in Film (very brief 1996 article)
http://www2.uwrf.edu/news_bureau/89961.html

Movies, Race & Ethnicity Database
http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/MRC/imageslatinos.html

Mexican Americans in Film Noir
http://www.ericenders.com/mexiconoir.htm

Five Moments in Mexican American Cinema (blog)
http://blogs.indiewire.com/spout/archives/5_great_moments_in_mexican_american_cinema/