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(August 20, 2008)-Bienvenidos al Festival de Cine Español de 2008! Welcome to the 2008 Festival of Spanish Cinema! The first annual Spanish Film Festival is underway at the Morris Theatre through October 12.

“This Festival of Spanish Cinema is our effort to bring award-winning films from Spain to West Central Minnesota for the benefit of our students and our community members, including our ever-growing Hispanic population,” said Stacey Parker Aronson, UMM associate professor of Spanish.

These films have been awarded numerous Goya Awards. The Goya Award, established in 1987 by the Academy of Arts and Cinematography of Spain, is the Spanish equivalent of the Oscar Award.

All films—in Spanish with English subtitles—will be shown on Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. at the Morris Theatre. All films are free and open to the public.

The films will include:

Sunday, Sept. 21

The Orphanage (Spain-Mexico 2007)

Directed by Juan Antonio Bayona

Winner of 2008 Goya Awards for Best New Director, Best Original Screenplay, Best Production Supervision, Best Artistic Direction, Best Makeup and Hairstyles, Best Sound, Best Special Effects.

Rated R for some disturbing content. 105 minutes

Sunday, Sept. 28

Goya in Bordeaux (Spain-Italy 1999)

Directed by Carlos Saura

Winner of Goya Awards of 2000 for Best Cinematography, Best Lead Actor, Best Artistic Direction, Best Costume Design, Best Makeup and Hairstyles. Rated R for some sexuality and violent imagery. 106 minutes

Sunday, Oct. 5

Volver (Spain 2006)

Directed by Pedro Almodóvar. Starring Penélope Cruz.

Winner of Goya Awards de 2007 for Best Picture, Best Director, Best Original Score, Best Lead Actress, Best Supporting Actress.

Rated R for some sexual content and language. 121 minutes

Sunday, Oct. 12

The Sea Inside (Spain, 2004).

Directed by Alejandro Amenábar. Starring Javier Bardem.

Winner of 2005 Oscar Award for Best Foreign Language Film.

Winner of 2005 Goya Awards for Best Picture, Best Director, Best Production Supervision, Best Original Screenplay, Best Lead Actor, Best Supporting Actor, Best New Actor, Best Lead Actress, Best Supporting Actress, Best New Actress, Best Cinematography, Best Sound, Best Musical Score, Best Makeup and Hairstyles.

Rated PG-13 for intense depiction of mature thematic material. 125 minutes.

This year's Festival de Cine Español was made possible with the generous support of the Program for Cultural Cooperation Between Spain's Ministry of Culture and United States Universities. It is co-sponsored by the Morris Theatre Cooperative and the Campus Activities Council Films Committee, United Latinos and the Spanish discipline, all at the University of Minnesota, Morris.

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