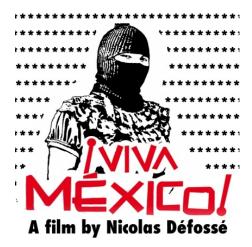
## Film Screening of ¡Viva México!



When?
Friday, May 4, 2012
7:00 PM refreshments
7:30 PM Film and discussion led by
Clayton Conn

Where? Howard County Central Library 10375 Little Patuxent Pkwy Columbia, MD 21044

In the heart of Los Angeles, USA undocumented Mexican immigrants are hunted by the police and struggle to earn a living without losing their identity. On the other side of the border, in the mountains of southeastern Mexico, dawn arrives, hidden in mist. It is January 1st, 2006; thousands of indigenous Zapatistas prepare to say farewell to their spokesman Subcomandante Marcos. His mission: to travel across the country for the next six months to learn from the resistance of Mexican men and women who fight for a better Mexico. So begins a journey that plans to reach the border with the United States, at the other end of the country...

We follow the steps of this journey that traces the face of the "other" Mexico, made up of the humble and simple people, a face much different from the one TV shows us every day. It is a journey that dares to "start building the image of the people we really are," as expressed by Subcomandante Marcos.

This challenge is not without risks... by uncovering Mexico's dignified and rebellious face, irrigating the seeds of rebellion and solidarity of an entire country, this journey is a provocation against those who control the country's economy and its image. What starts as an isolated murmur will become a clamor of hundreds of thousands of voices, ¡Viva Mexico! How will those in power respond?

¡Viva Mexico! Is directed by Nicolas Défossé and produced by <u>Terra Nostra Films</u>.

The discussion of the film will be led by **Clayton Conn.** He is a U.S. & Mexico based, photo/radio independent journalist, English to Spanish interpreter/translator, and student of intercultural communications. His work primarily focuses on immigration, social movements, and Latin American issues. He is a member of the editorial council of the Spanish language, electronic independent magazine, called <a href="Desinformémonos">Desinformémonos</a>. He is also a correspondent for Free Speech Radio News and has contributed work to such independent media outlets as: Democracy Now!, Alternative Radio, the Indypendent, NACLA, La Jornada (Mexico), Rebelión, Upside Down World, the CIP Americas Program, Narco News, among others. <a href="http://www.claytonconnmedia.com/">http://www.claytonconnmedia.com/</a>

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