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Festival of New Spanish Cinema

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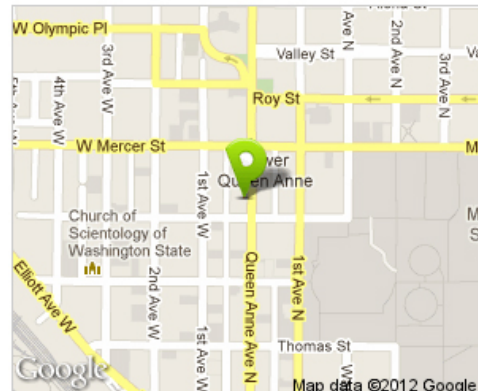
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Description

The shorthand for *No Rest for the Wicked*, which opens this weekend's Festival of New Spanish Cinema, would be *Bad Lieutenant* in Madrid. But Inspector Santos Trinidad (José Coronado) isn't all bad. Sure, he's a dissolute drinker who guns down three people in a bar fight, yet his coverup leads to the discovery of some even worse characters. In the new, multiethnic Spain, Trinidad looks something like a disco-era dinosaur with his handlebar mustache and aviator shades. His revolver also makes him a relic, but it leaves no shell casings behind as evidence. Considerably more modern is Ana Chacón (Helena Miquel), whose investigation as a judge—more like a prosecutor in our legal terminology—goes beyond Trinidad to drug-smuggling Colombians and finally a city-wide bomb plot. She's the principled, honest agent of an overburdened criminal-justice system, and Trinidad her dark double. Yet both turn out to be pursuing the same ultimate foe, she with a computer and he with a shotgun. (Opening reception \$20-\$25; other screenings \$5-\$10.) BRIAN MILLER

Price: \$5-\$10

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