

# Traveling Shots & Musical Notes: Catalan Film & Music

# Memoria Negra by Xavier Montanyà

March 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm  
King Juan Carlos I of Spain Center at New York University  
53 Washington Square South

Spring 2009  
at The Catalan Center

Memoria Negra  
by Xavier Montanyà  
6:30pm on March 31<sup>st</sup>

In this 2007 film, Montanyà examines the legacy of colonization in Equatorial Guinea through interviews, archival footage, and a strong narrative voice and structure. The film traces a path from colonization through independence to the present day, through interviews with witnesses from both Guinea, such as writer Donato Ndongo, and Spain, such as Manuel Fraga Iribarne and Spanish politicians and Antonio Garcia-Trevijano. This film is an astonishing introduction to a little-known history.

Screening will be followed by a dialogue with the director, Xavier Montanyà and Dr. Adolfo Obiang Bikó, one of the authors and signers of the first democratic constitution of Equatorial Guinea, with a discussion by Professor Benita Sampedro, of Hofstra University, an expert in the history and culture of Equatorial Guinea.

Upcoming Event  
Song of the Stars

*SONG OF THE STARS: A CELEBRATION OF CATALAN MUSIC* - 6:30pm May 21st at the King Juan Carlos I of Spain Center at NYU.

Other Events  
Cat-Xat: The Catalan  
Tertúlia at NYU

The Catalan Center at New York University is pleased to invite colleagues, friends, and acquaintances from the NYU community to get together every week. We will invite a Catalan-speaking guest to tell us his or her story in New York, in English or Catalan, and then we will break down into groups to speak with one another in Catalan over coffee and cookies.

We will meet every Tuesday at 5pm at the CEMS, 285 Mercer Street 7th Floor.

For more information, please call 212.998 8255.

Dates  
& Speakers

March 24th, 2009  
Lluís Capdevila (Jazz Musician)

March 31st, 2009  
CAT-XAT cancelled for screening of *MEMORIA NEGRA* by Xavier Montanyà

April 7th, 2009  
Laia Cabrera (Multimedia Artist)

April 14th, 2009  
Ryan Poynter (Associate Administrator of the College of Arts and Science)

April 21st, 2009  
Carmen Vidal (Filmmaker)

April 28th, 2009  
To Be Determined