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Marginalized Groups in the Cinema of Latin America

Message from the Guest Editor

Film production in Latin America has a long history of focusing its lens on marginalized social groups. The cinema of marginality defines a new paradigm that has emerged strongly in the last two decades as a new breath for Latin American cinema. It proposes a unique combination of fictional narrative and documentary procedures by reconstructing the point of view of the marginal subject beyond the narratives of capitalist rationality and tries to make the invisible visible by proposing novel readings to neglected social problems. Although it proposes themes related to the subjects and subcultures excluded from social institutions, this visibility of the marginal world, far from a redemptive image, shows the violence of the habitat in which the subaltern subject lives, thus challenging cinematographic narrativity and audience expectations. This project shares the basic premise that the emergence of marginalized cinema in Latin America in the last two decades has an intrinsically political and idiosyncratic source of inspiration. This volume shall consider all works that address the issue of marginalization approached by the Latin American cinema from any academic perspective.

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