

The University of Alabama at Birmingham  
*Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures*  
Spanish Division

## The Spanish Speaking World Series

*The Spanish Speaking World Series* is a new sequence of cultural presentations, which started in the spring of 2005. This series is envisioned as an opportunity for Spanish instructors, graduate students and community members to present relevant cultural topics from their native country or a Spanish speaking country that they are very familiar with. The target audience is Spanish students (especially lower division students), although it will be open to any UAB student and the community. Presentations can be in Spanish or English. Presentations in Spanish will be supported by visuals to facilitate comprehension. All presentations are held at the UAB Hulsey Recital Hall.

Presentation format: A 20-25 minute presentation with a 5-minute question & answer session at the end.

Calendar: An updated calendar is posted in the DFLL web page with 2-4 presentations per semester, or 4-8 presentations per academic year.

Topics: Topics recommended are major cultural events such as **festivals and traditions** (ie. Día de los Muertos o Cinco de Mayo en México, La procesión de los Milagros en Perú, La Semana Santa en España, la música en Colombia, etc.), **current events** (ie. el sistema de educación, el cine, el terrorismo), **icons** (ie. Oscar Arias en Costa Rica, Eva Perón en Argentina, etc.), or **music**, among other cultural topics.

Instructors, graduate students or community members interested in presenting in the UAB Spanish Speaking World Series should send a 1-paragraph proposal to Lourdes Sánchez-López, Ph.D. ([lourdes@uab.edu](mailto:lourdes@uab.edu)).

For an updated calendar of events, please visit:  
[www.uab.edu/foreignlang/spanish.html](http://www.uab.edu/foreignlang/spanish.html)