

# Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

## Opening Night for International Films

Culturally diverse festival kicks-off 36th year

Spain's submission for the Best Foreign Film Oscar, *Blancanieves*, opens this year's 36th Portland International Film Festival on Thursday, Feb. 7. The film is a silent-set reworking of the Brothers Grimm fairytale "Snow White," offset by punchy Flamenco rhythms and full of imagination.

The festival is one of the region's most culturally diverse arts events, offering a broad mix of new international feature films, shorts, documentaries, and visiting artists, including multiple submissions for the Best Foreign Language Film Oscar and works by new directors.

Over the last 35 years, the festival has provided diverse and innovative films to an audience of more than 35,000 annually from throughout the Northwest.

The Northwest Film Center, with support from The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation and Mercedes-Benz of Beaverton, invites you to join the screening of *Blancanieves* at the Newmark Theatre and the opening night party hosted by Stella Artois and King Estate Winery. Tick-



The film *Blancanieves*, a silent-set reworking of 'Snow White' and Spain's submission for the Best Foreign Film Oscar, opens the 36th Portland International Film Festival.

ets are \$30. After opening night, the festival maintains a strong downtown presence with screenings at the Film Center's Whitsell Auditorium, the Regal Fox Tower, and the World Trade Center Theater. Additional venues include Cinema 21, Cinemagic, and the Regal Lloyd Center Cinema St.

The full program runs daily through Feb. 23. A schedule is available at [nwfilm.org](http://nwfilm.org). General admission tickets are \$11.

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