

## 'Magallanes,' 'Ixcanul' Top Premios Platino Shortlist

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"Magallanes"

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The Platinos, which are aiming to become the Latino Oscars, will air live on TNT Latin America on July 24.

The Peruvian thriller *Magallanes* and the Guatemalan drama *Ixcanul* top a shortlist of films looking to make the final cut for the 3rd edition of the Premios Platino.

Other films receiving multiple nods Thursday include *Ciro Gomez's* Oscar-nominated *Embrace of the Serpent* (*El Abrazo de la Serpiente*), from Colombia; *The Memory of Water* (*La Memoria del Agua*), from Chile; Mexico's *Carmin Tropical*, Argentina's *The Clan*; and Dominican Republic's very own, *La Gunguna*.

Salvador del Solar's redemption thriller *Magallanes* had its international premiere at the Toronto film fest, while the award-winning *Ixcanul*, from up-and-comer Jayro Bustamante, bowed at Berlin last year.

The Platinos were launched in 2014 as a platform to promote Ibero-American movies, cinema hailing from Latin America, the Caribbean, Spain and Portugal. Organizers see the awards ceremony as a version of the Oscars for the Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking world.

Latin American films in particular tend to perform well on the international festival circuit, however, more often than not they struggle to find audiences at home.

Oscar-nominated actor-producer Edward James Olmos, who attended Thursday's news conference in the Dominican Republic, said he believes the awards ceremony will help under-the-radar films gain broader exposure.

The final nominees will be announced on May 26 in Los Angeles and the ceremony is set for July 24 in Uruguay.

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