

The UC-Mexico Initiative and the UCLA Department of Spanish & Portuguese, in collaboration with the General Directorate of International Affairs of the Mexican Ministry of Culture and the Cineteca Nacional de México invite you to the second film in our series of Mexican Film Noir.

In the Palm of Your Hand (En la Palma de tu Mano)

(Roberto Gavaldón)

Mexico | 1950 | 100 minutes

Introduced by Dr. Audrey Harris (UCLA)

October 26,
2016

6:00 PM

Royce Hall, 314



Film in Spanish with
English Subtitles

Ambition, criminal passion and the fatality of destiny are the driving forces of this brilliant exercise in style in which director Roberto Gavaldón, inspired by a story by journalist and writer Luis Spota, ventures into the chiaroscuro world of Film Noir, yet employing a context that is distinctly Mexican. Thanks to Gavaldón's solid directing, actor Arturo de Córdova delivers one of his best performances, playing a fortune-telling charlatan—a swindler of moneyed women who becomes tragically ensnared in the sensual web of a femme fatale, masterfully interpreted by Leticia Palma.