

**PUNTO CIEGO,**

**A spotlight on video art and politics**

**Presentation: Lucia Nieves**

**Discussion: Florian Wüst, Walter Imilan, Michelle-Marie Letelier, Kasia Odrozek and David Rych**

**Art Director: Bonaventure S.B. Ndikung**

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**Screening: 7PM, Discussion: 9PM**

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Over the last years, a changing political landscape has taken the world unawares. In countries such as Chile, where political movements laid dormant after decades of dictatorship, specific causes — education, the rights of native peoples, ecology, or freedom of speech — have been at the center of both social and economical preoccupations for the first time in many years. Within institutions in charge of recovering and preserving our cultural heritage, the neoliberal “client” and “product” dichotomy is predominant, while at the same time, those entities are continuously forced to search for new means to sustain themselves. Across Europe and elsewhere, several social movements have arisen in response to the neoliberal crisis. Arab countries have been swept by a wave of voices which had been left unheard for much too long with unpredictable consequences, while the world hypnotically watches the royal baby birth broadcast from London.

**Punto ciego** is a film selection that attempts to tackle the following question: how do audiovisual artists cope with the changes in the global social and political landscape? The works presented range from experimental video art and documentation to animation - a compilation assembled by a multidisciplinary curatorial team in Chile. The film package comprises works from established artists, including works by **Patricio Guzmán**, **Pedro Chaskel** and **Carlos Flores Delpino**, as well as short films by emerging artists.

The screening will be accompanied by a discussion with Florian Wüst (artist and film curator), Walter Imilan (social scientist and urban planner), Michelle Marie Letelier (artist), Kasia Odrozek (editor and translator for Global Voices Online) and David Rych (video artist). The talk will be moderated by Lucia Nieves.

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