Film Festival '25

Brand Pitch



Why?

Latin America, a diverse region with rich culture and community, produces high-quality films with unique stories, yet they rarely receive the mainstream recognition of films from other regions.



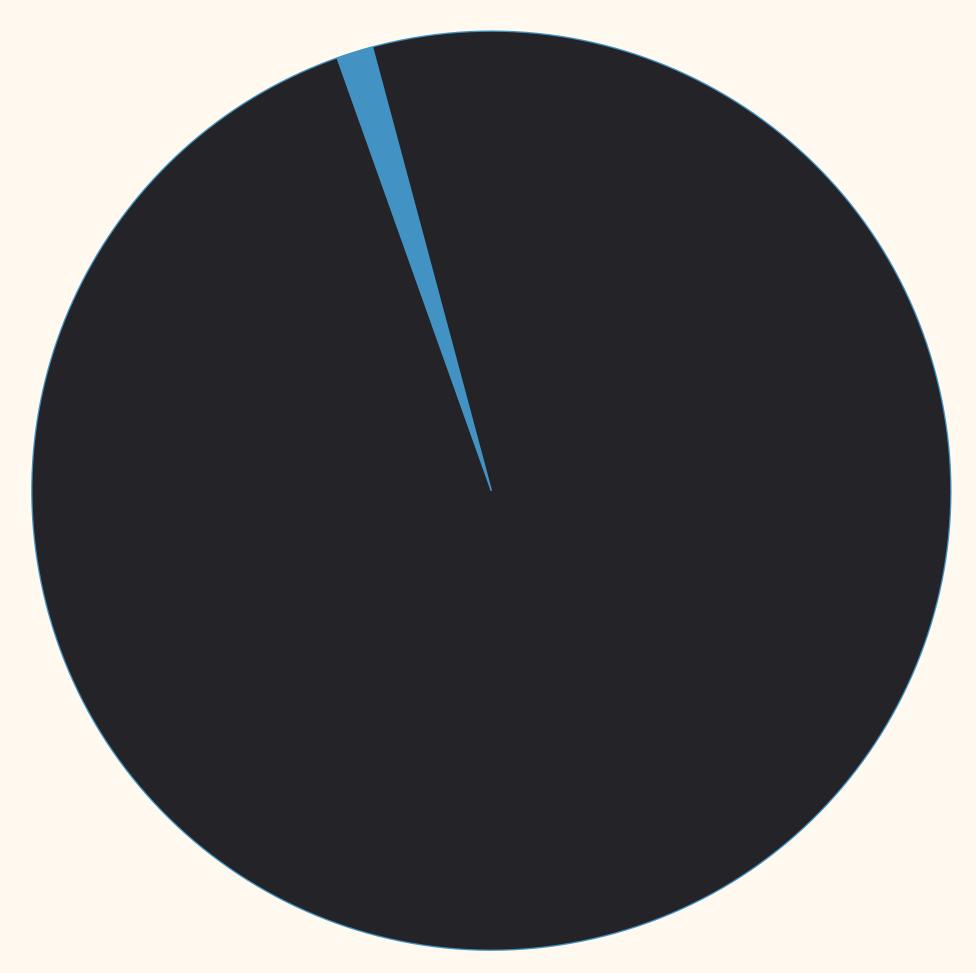


While London film festivals and cinemas do showcase foreign films, they often overlook titles from Central and South America, as well as the Caribbean. Instead, the focus tends to be on European countries like France, Belgium, and Italy.

The BFI London Film Festival 2024 featured just 15 Latin American films out of a lineup of over 160

Where are the Latinos in London?

Although London is a very diverse city, Latin Americans represent only a small fraction of the population, estimated at just 1.28%



Despite this, Latin American culture still has some presence in the city through culturally themed restaurants and nightlife events



However, the way it is often portrayed leans on stereotypes, lacks authenticity, and reduces Latin America's cultural diversity to a single, narrow identity

Mission

To create an authentic Latin American film festival that celebrates the region's rich heritage and diverse stories while ensuring inclusivity and accessibility for global audiences

Vision

A future where Latin American cinema gains global recognition, breaking barriers in international markets and reshaping narratives about the region's artistic and cultural significance

Values

1. Accessible

The festival should feel equally inviting to Latin Americans and those unfamiliar with Latin American culture. No person should feel alienated at or by the festival. A very inclusive environment.

Values

2. Authentic

Design, identity, and experience should feel very authentically rooted in Latin American culture. An effort is made to establish a cohesive identity while highlighting and celebrating the distinction between different Latin American countries.

Values

3. Joyful

Overall experience should be very joyful at every step possible. Festival should feel like a celebration of culture. As opposed to other film festivals, should not have an elitist feel.

What is Luz Latina?

Fun,	but not	silly
Authentic,	but not	definitive
Conversational,	but not	wordy
Accessible,	but not	dumbed down
Educational,	but not	a classroom
Vibrant,	but not	maximalist
Colorful,	but not	messy
Outgoing,	but not	obnoxious

For Who?

Audience Group 1 Latin Americans in London

Description

Latin American immigrants living in London. People who might feel homesick and want opportunities to connect with their culture or people who haven't had a chance to connect with their roots and feel a bit distant from their cultural heritage.

Interests

Film, Food, Family, Culture, Heritage

Wants & Needs

Connect with other Latin Americans

Watch films that represent their culture on the big screen

Celebrate their culture

Eat food from their or similar cultures that they might not get to eat too often

Attend film festivals

Frustrations

Film festivals feel snobby and exclusive

Struggle to find films to watch from Latin America

Have never seen a Latin American film on the big screen

Encounters with Latin American culture in London feel very superficial and stereotype informed

Want to find events for their children to connect with their culture and roots

Audience Group 2 Non Latin Americans

Description

People of any nationality or ethnicity living in London with an interest in film and/or exploring world cultures.

Interests

Film, Food, Traveling, New Experiences, Exploring Culture

Wants & Needs

Learn about Latin American culture

Try new foods and experiences

Feel welcomed and wanted

Contribute to an authentic cultural depiction and experience

Frustrations

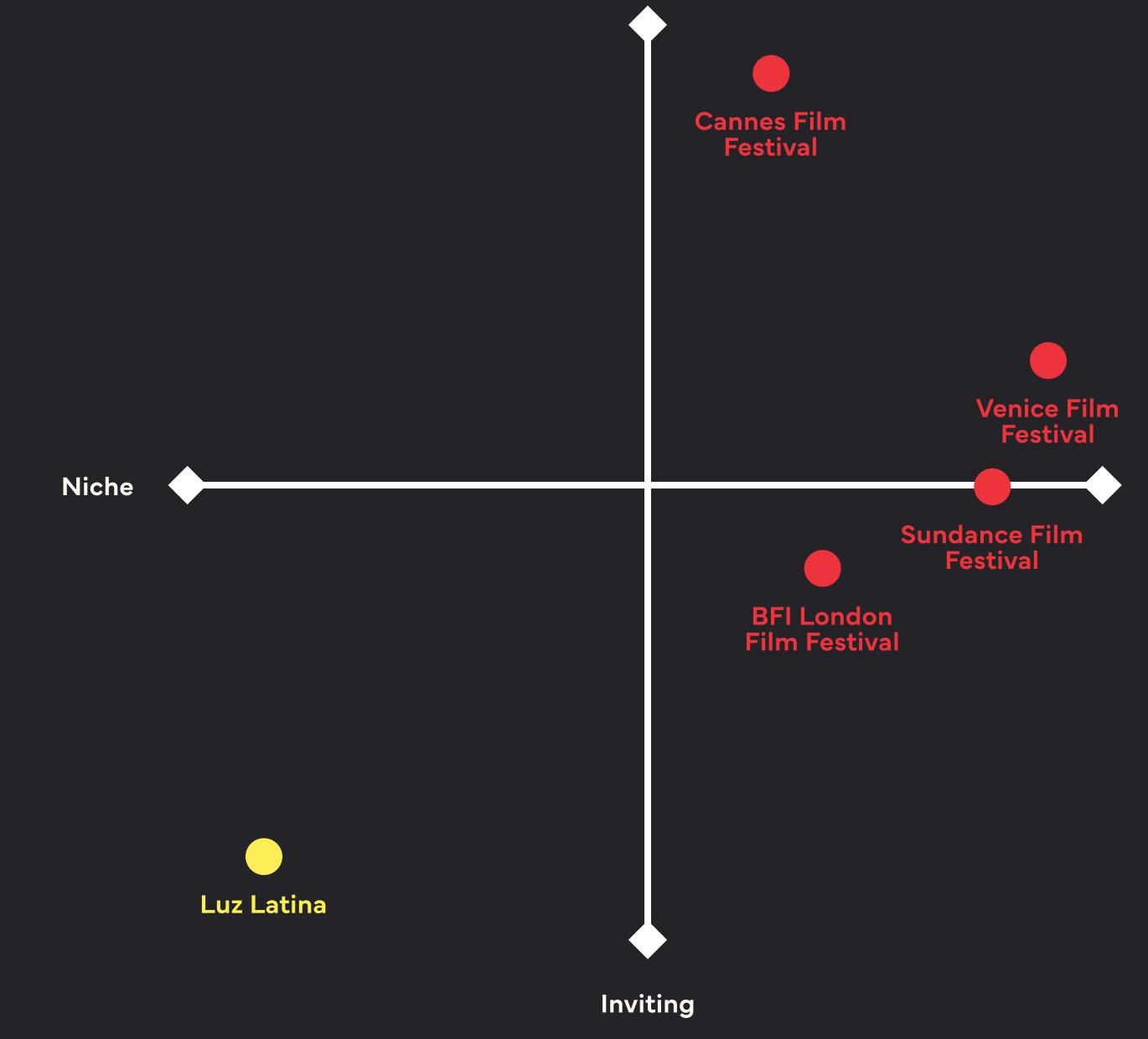
Interested in Latin America but doesn't know where to find authentic cultural experiences

Worried about intruding on another culture

Film festivals feel snobby and exclusive

Brand Positioning

Luz Latina Film Festival is uniquely positioned in comparison to other wellknown film festivals in that the overall experience is just as important as the films being played



Elite

Value Proposition for Latin Americans and Non Latin Americans

Value Proposition for Latin Americans

Functional Benefit

"When I attend Luz Latina Festival, I get to interact with elements of my culture tangibly" Value Proposition for Latin Americans

Emotional Benefit

"When I attend Luz Latina Festival, I feel nostalgia, joy and a sense of place and community" Value Proposition for Latin Americans

Self Expressive Benefit

"When I attend Luz Latina Festival, I feel a connection to my roots and proud of my effort to uphold them" Value Proposition for Non Latin Americans

Functional Benefit

"When I attend Luz Latina Festival, I get to taste, hear, and watch Latin American culture" Value Proposition for Non Latin Americans

Emotional Benefit

"When I attend Luz Latina Festival, I feel welcomed into an authentic cultural experience" Value Proposition for Non Latin Americans

Self Expressive Benefit

"When I attend Luz Latina Festival, I feel a connection to Latin American culture and feel culturally enriched"

The Festival a three stage experience

Learn

The festival begins with an opportunity to educate and engage audiences about Latin American history and culture.

The goal is to provide context to the films being shown—covering themes, social issues, and cultural influences.

Experience

Attendees immerse themselves in the vibrant atmosphere of Latin America through live music, food markets, and games.

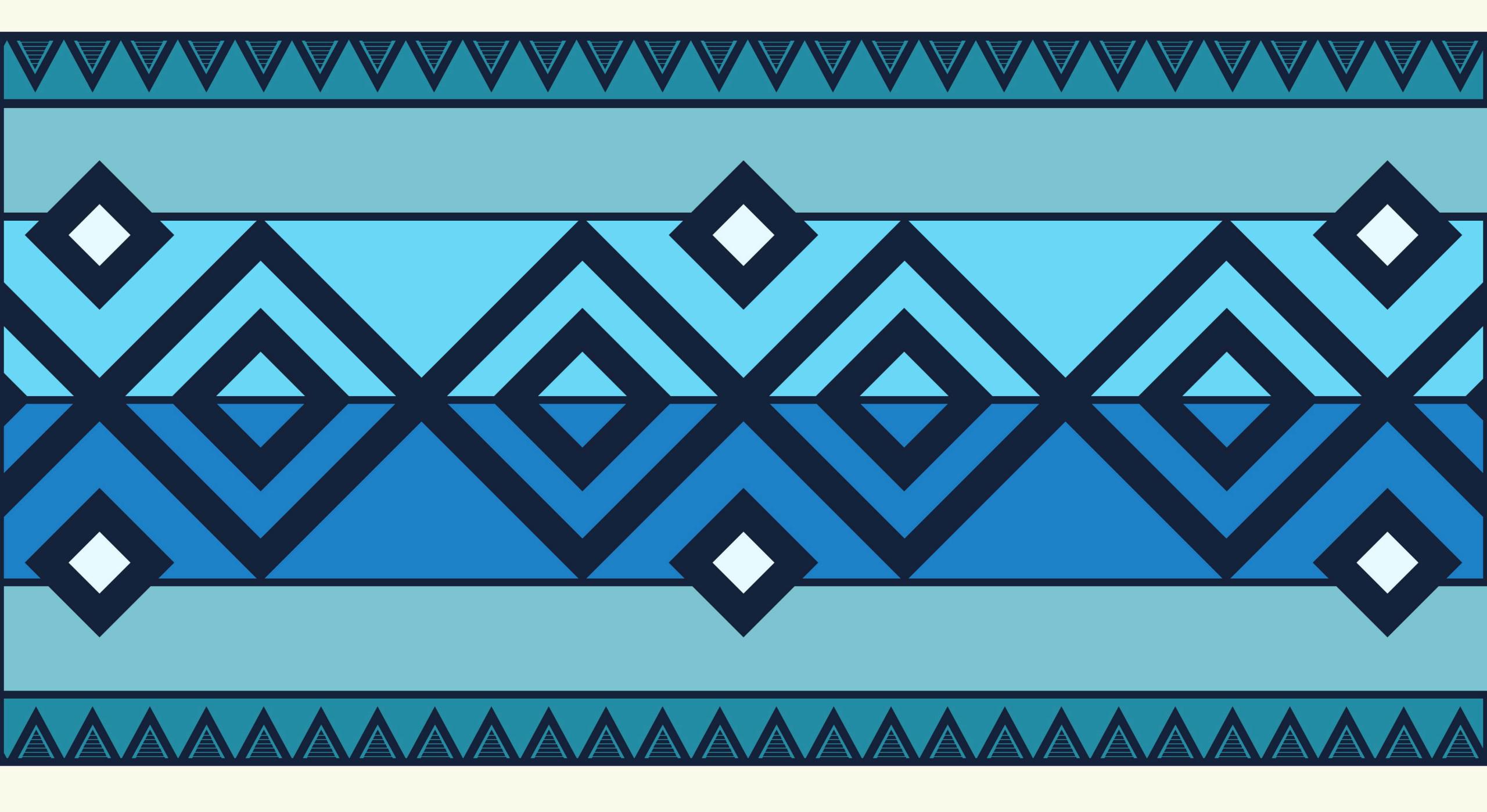
Designed to replicate the essence of different Latin American regions, incorporating authentic sounds, scents, and visuals into a fun interactive experience

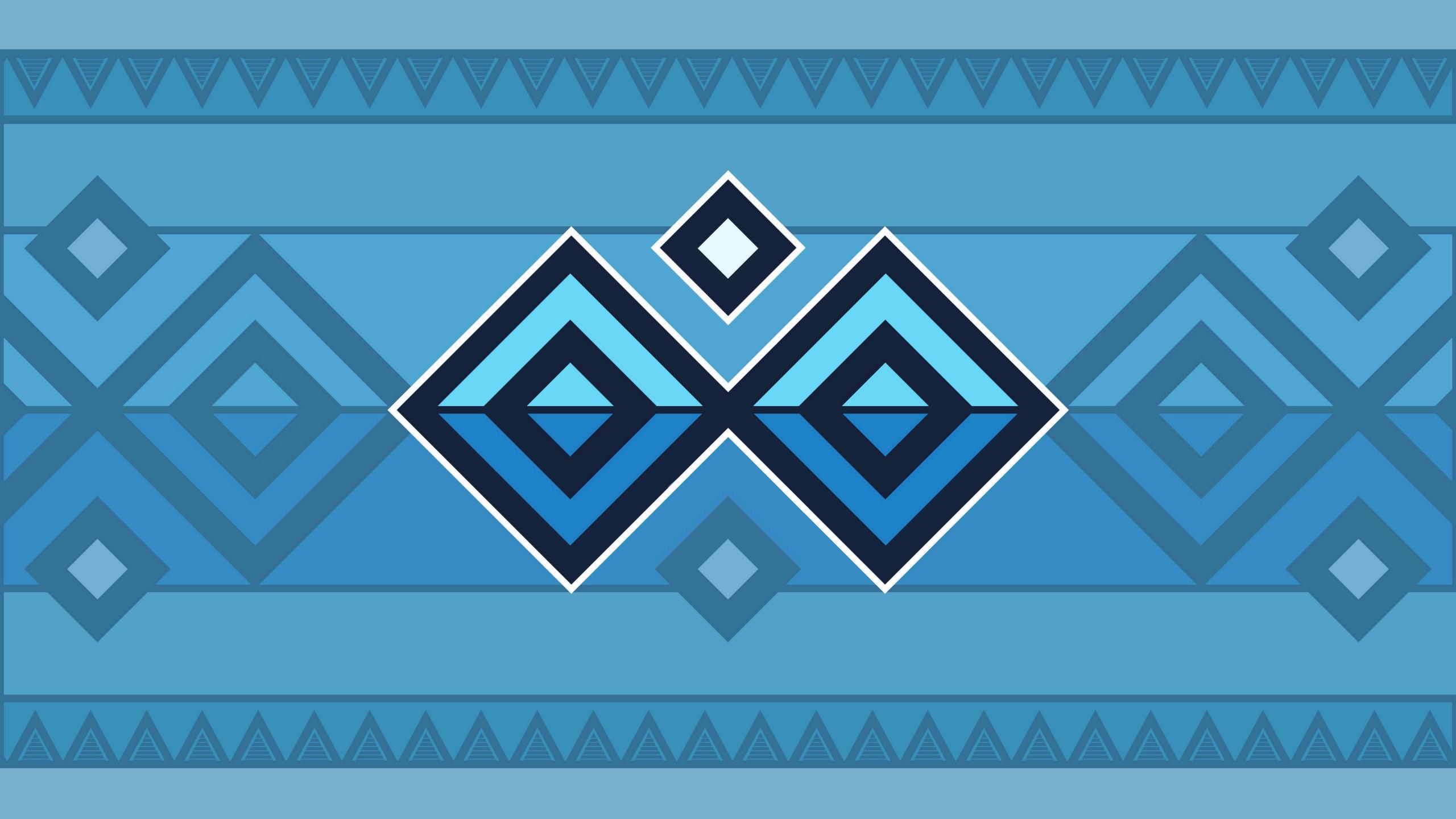
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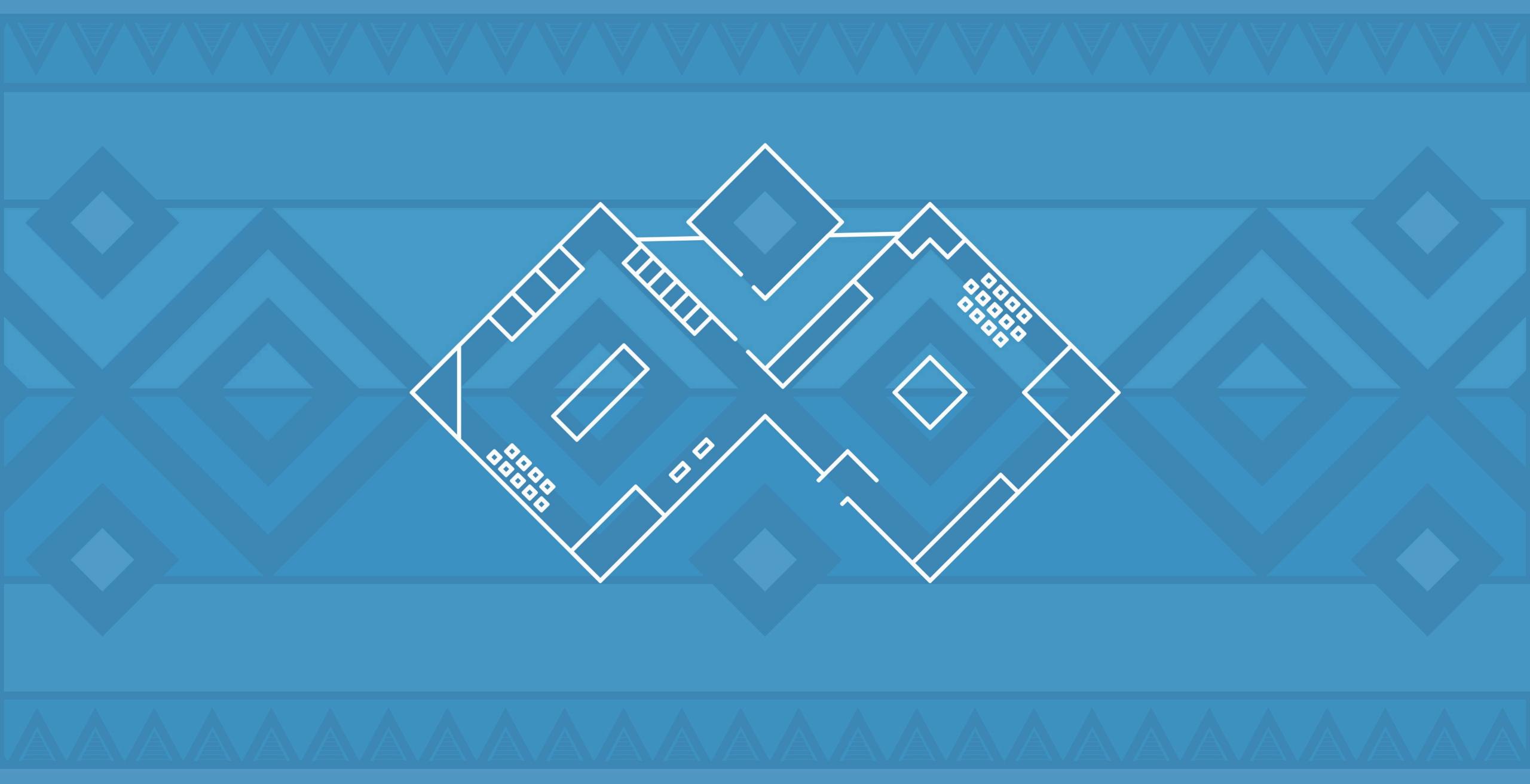
The festival culminates in the screening of curated Latin American films, from contemporary indie gems to classic cinema.

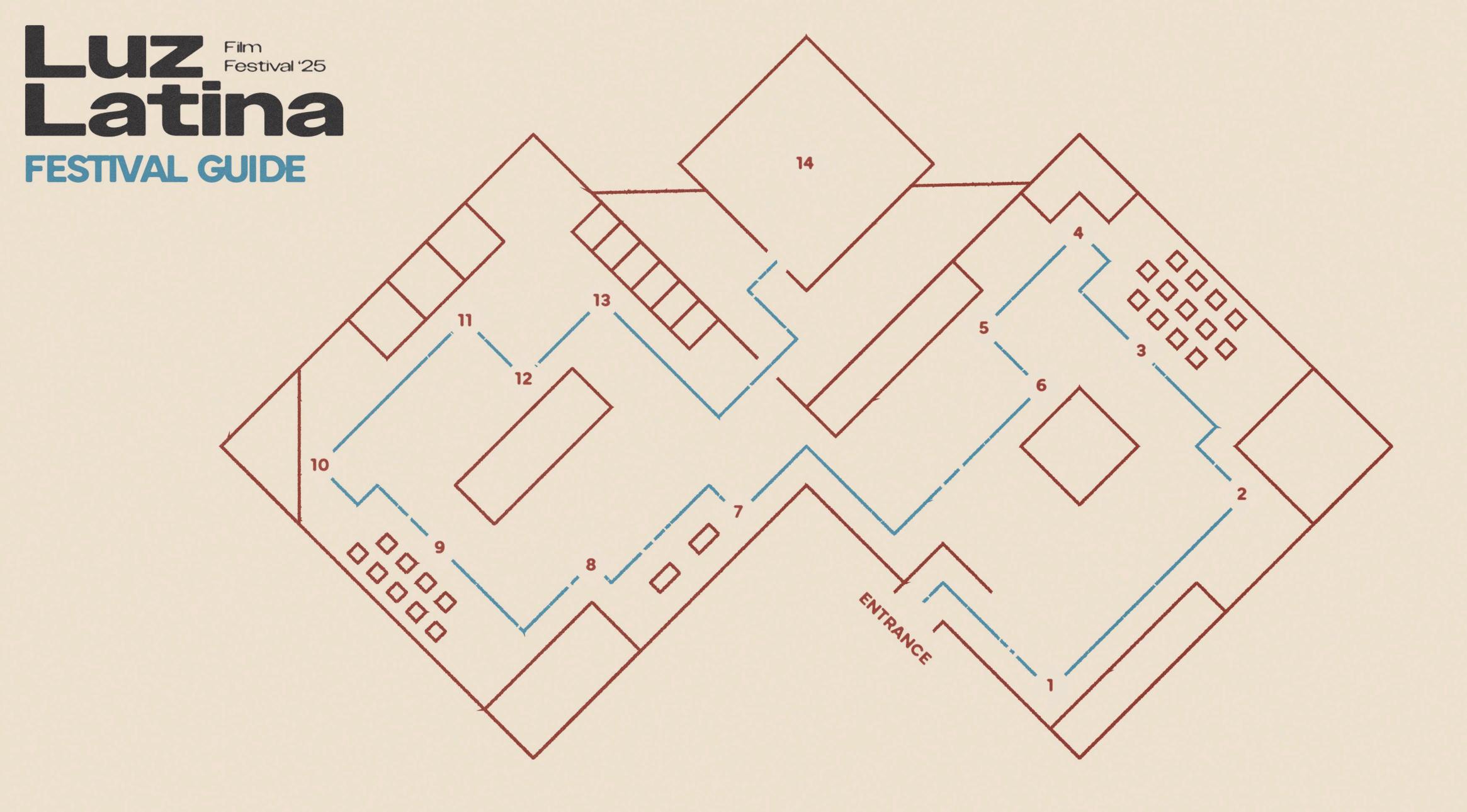
Screenings are followed by Q&A sessions with directors, actors, and critics, fostering insightful discussions about the narratives and creative processes.

The Map









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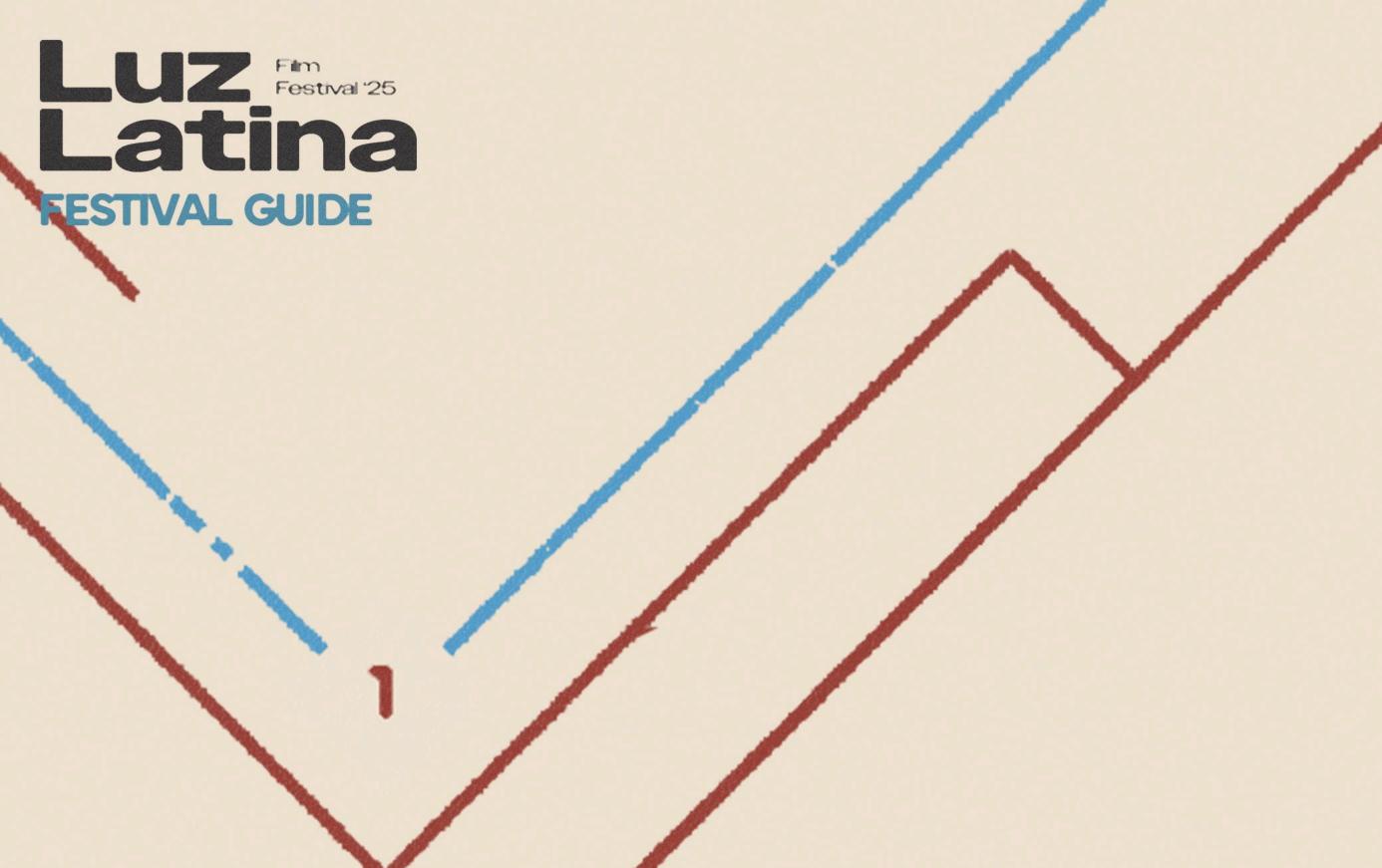
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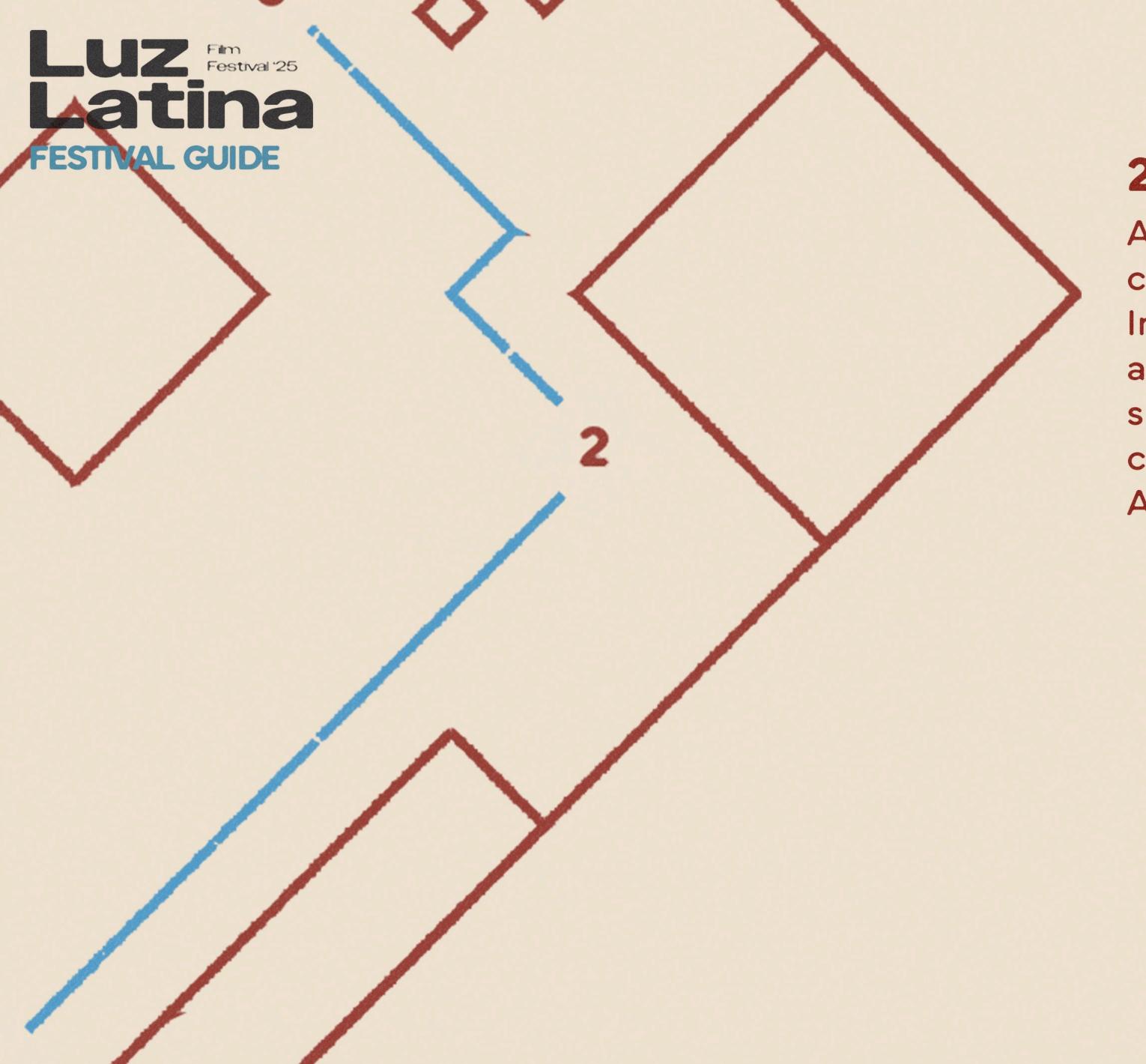
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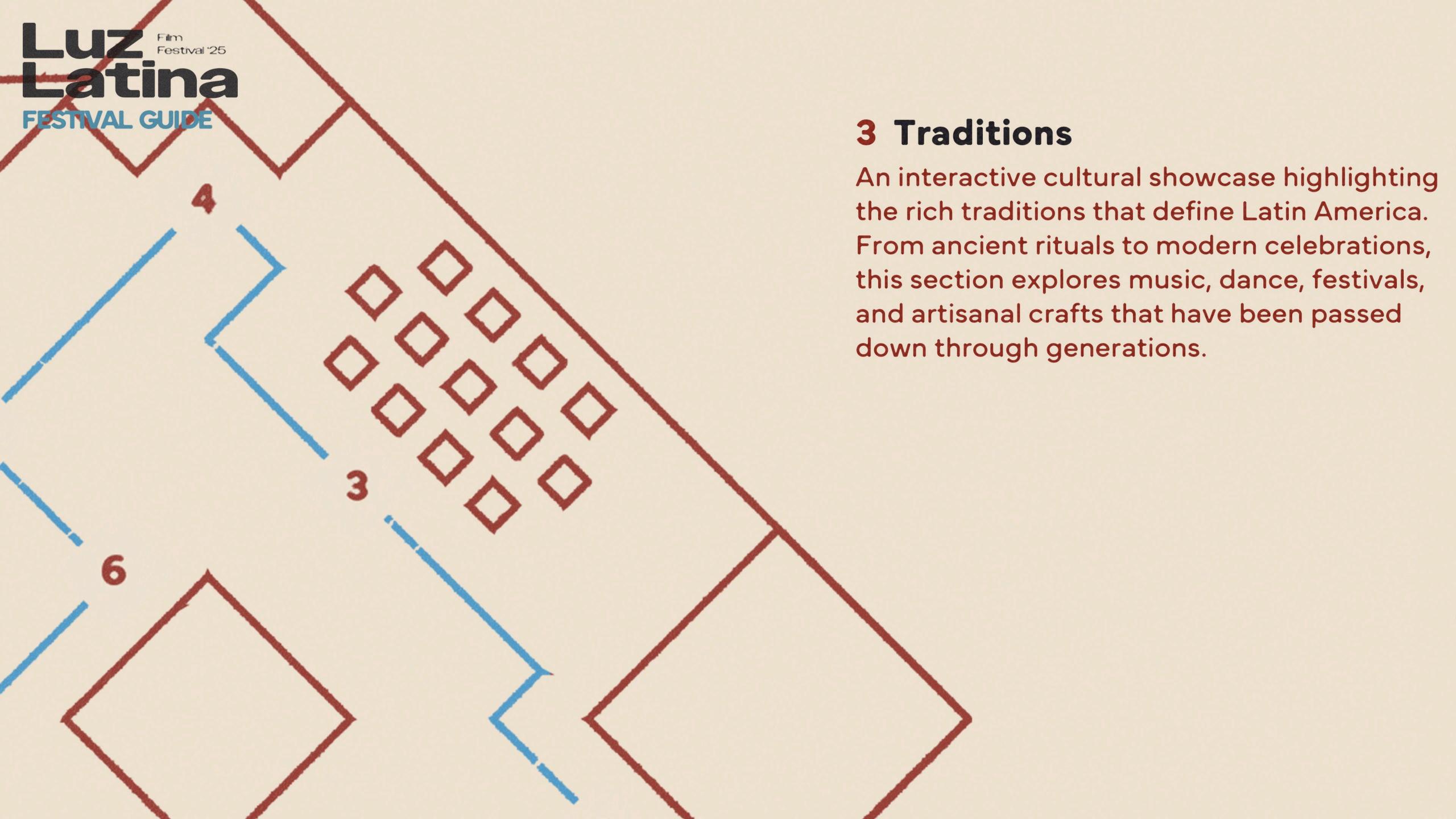
1 Indigenous Civilizations

An informational display focused on the history of early Indigenous civilizations in Central and South America. Explore the achievements of the Maya, Aztec, and Inca, their advanced knowledge in astronomy, agriculture, and architecture, and their lasting influence on Latin American culture.

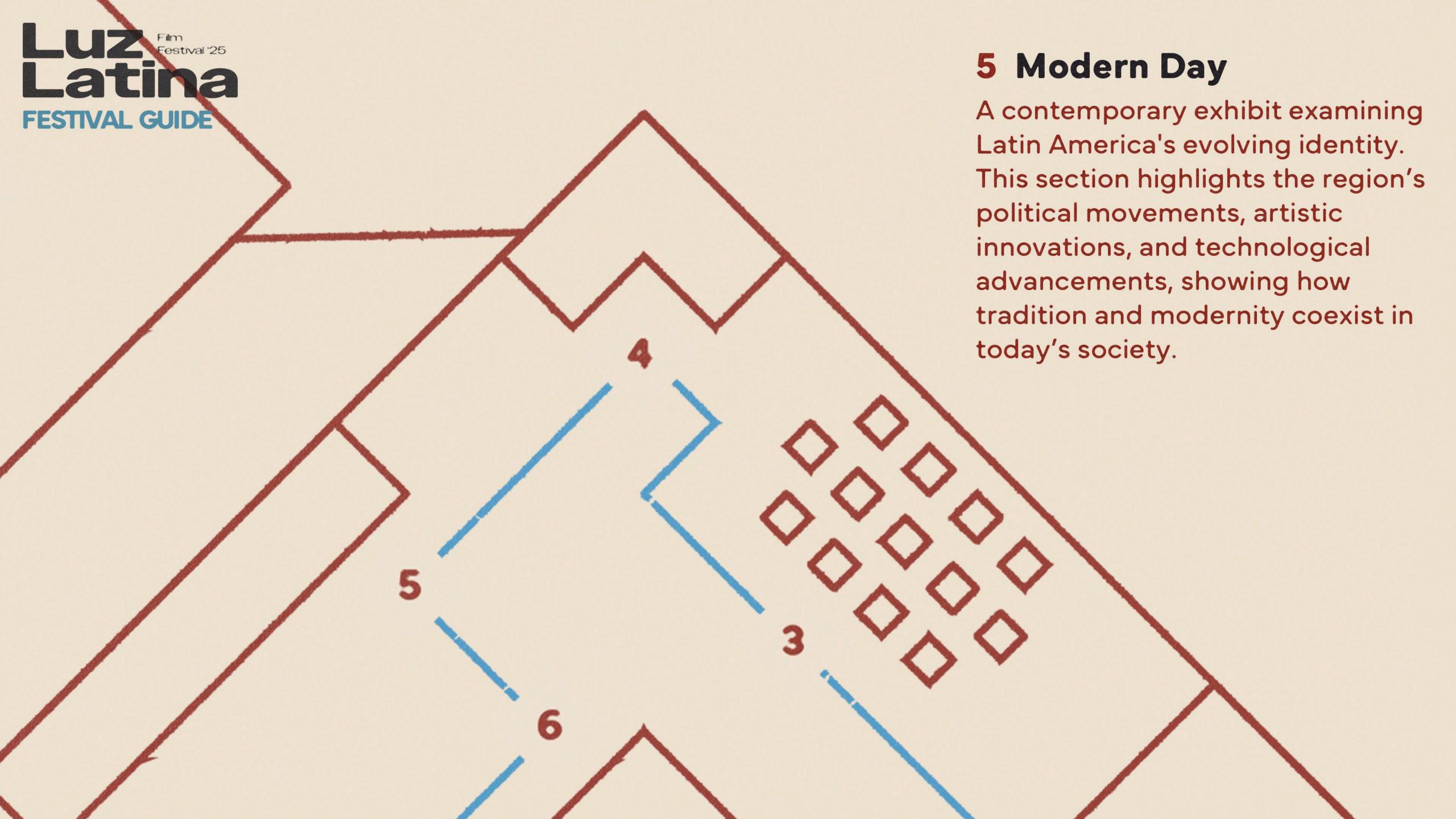


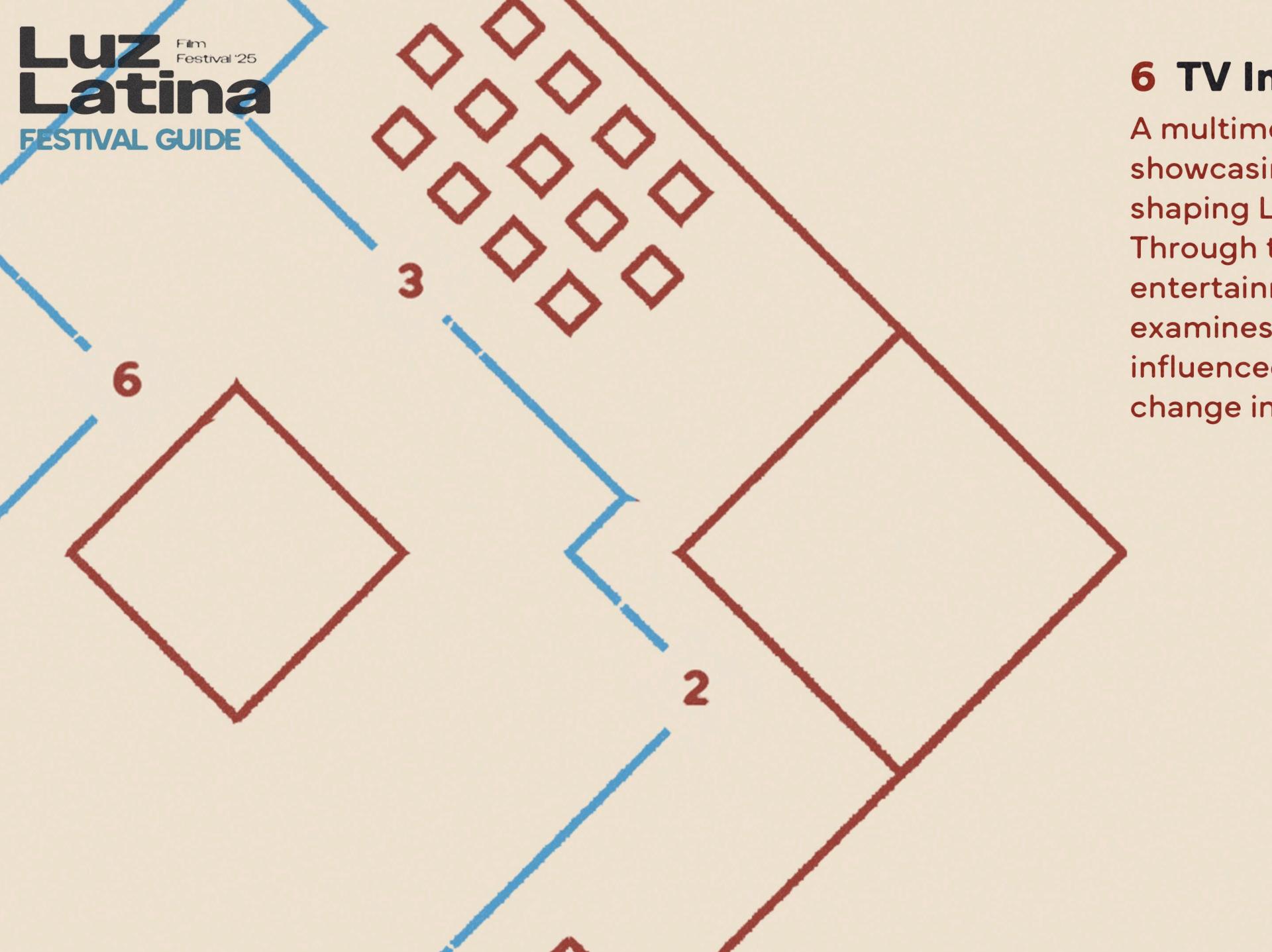
2 Conquest & Colonization

A historical exhibit detailing the European conquest of Latin America and its impact on Indigenous populations. Learn about the arrival of the Spanish and Portuguese, the spread of Christianity, and the formation of colonial societies that blended Indigenous, African, and European traditions.





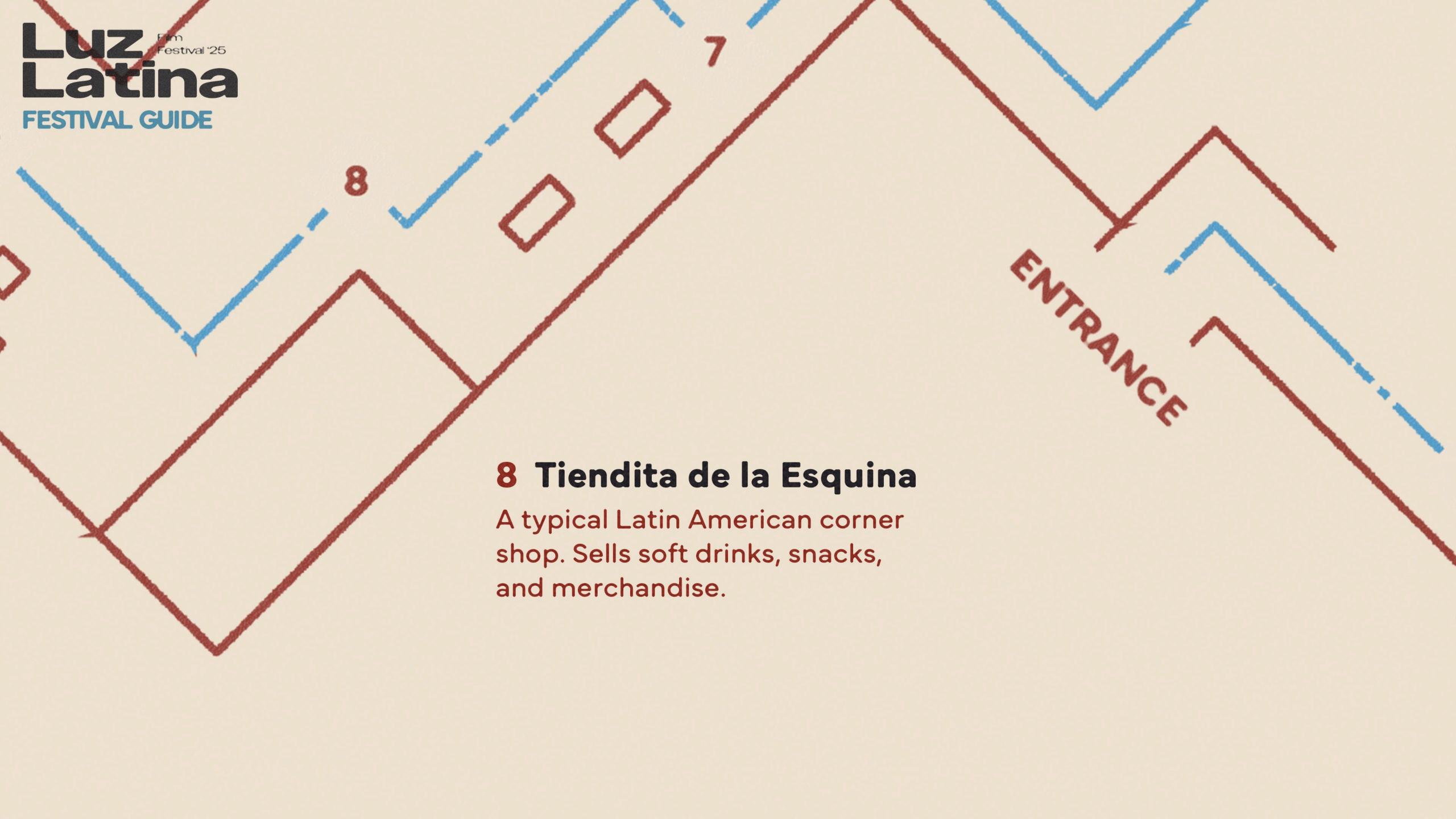


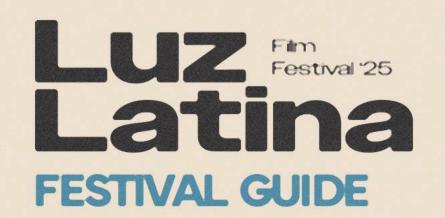


6 TV Installation

A multimedia installation showcasing the role of television in shaping Latin American culture. Through telenovelas, news, and entertainment, this display examines how TV has reflected and influenced social and political change in the region.







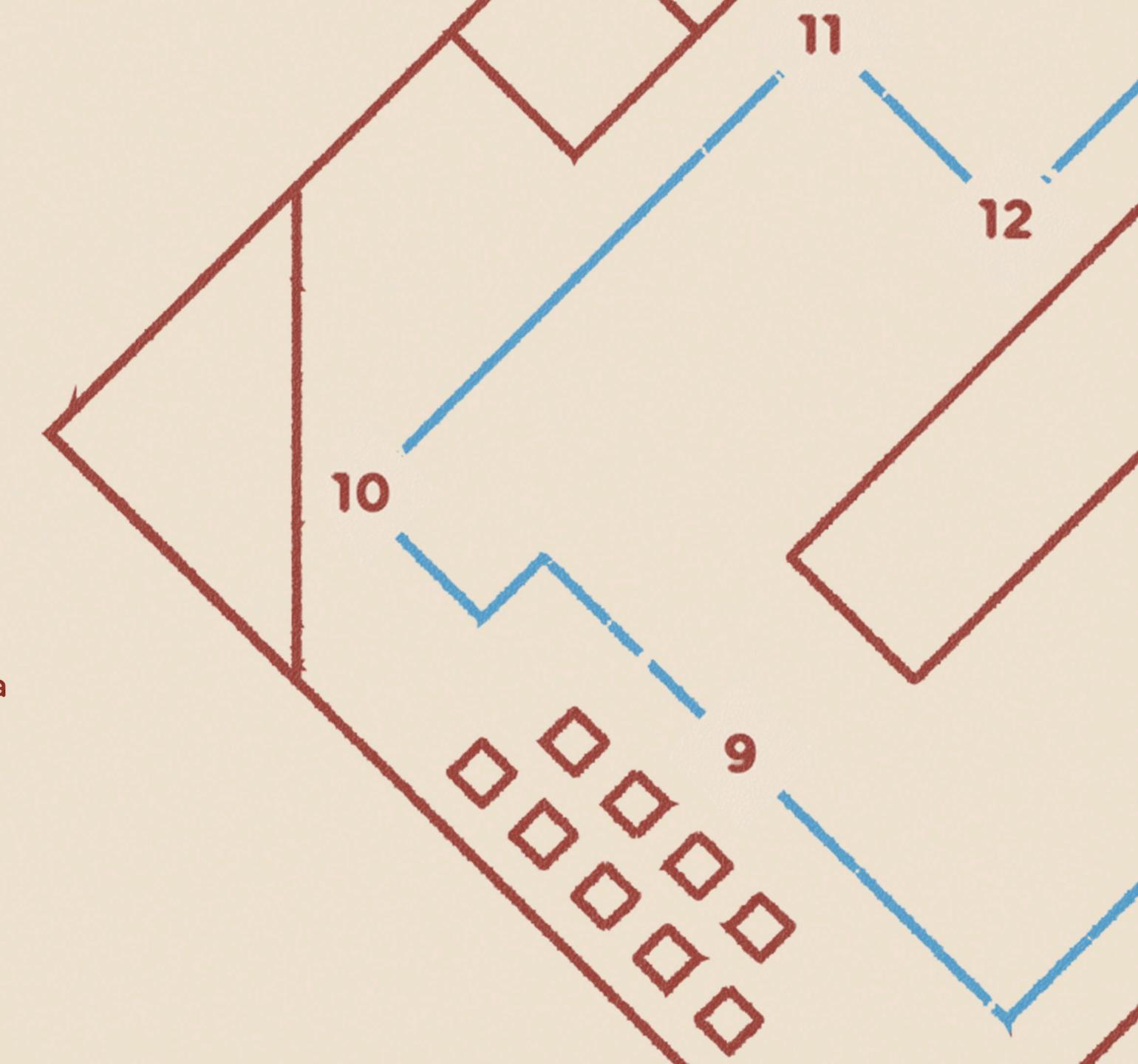
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A section full of traditional tables to play dominoes, a common game in Latin America.



10 Live Music

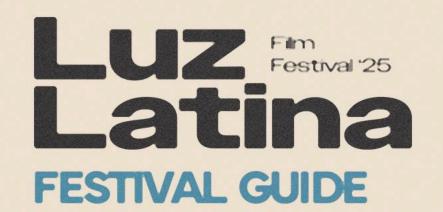
Live music performances playing a range of different types of Latin American music such as salsa, bachata, cumbia, corridos, dembow, bossa nova, reggaeton, merengue, etc.





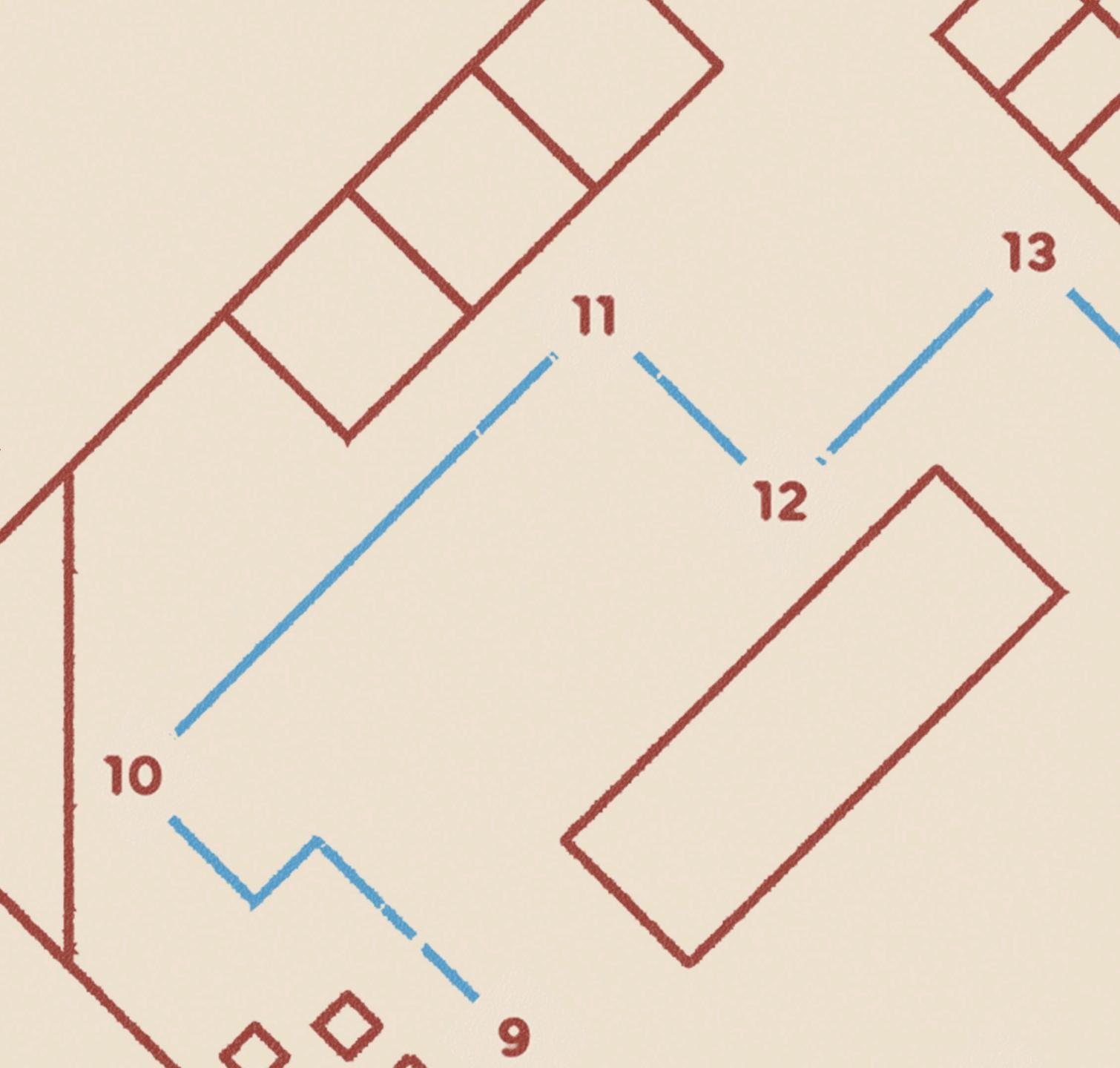
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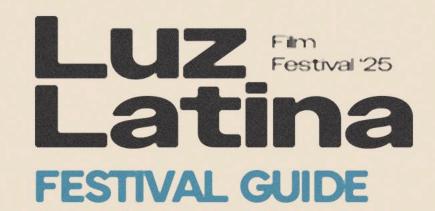
An area full of traditional artisanal juegitos ("little games") usually played by kids. Includes juegitos such as trompos, rayuela, baleros, etc.



12 Busito Cafe

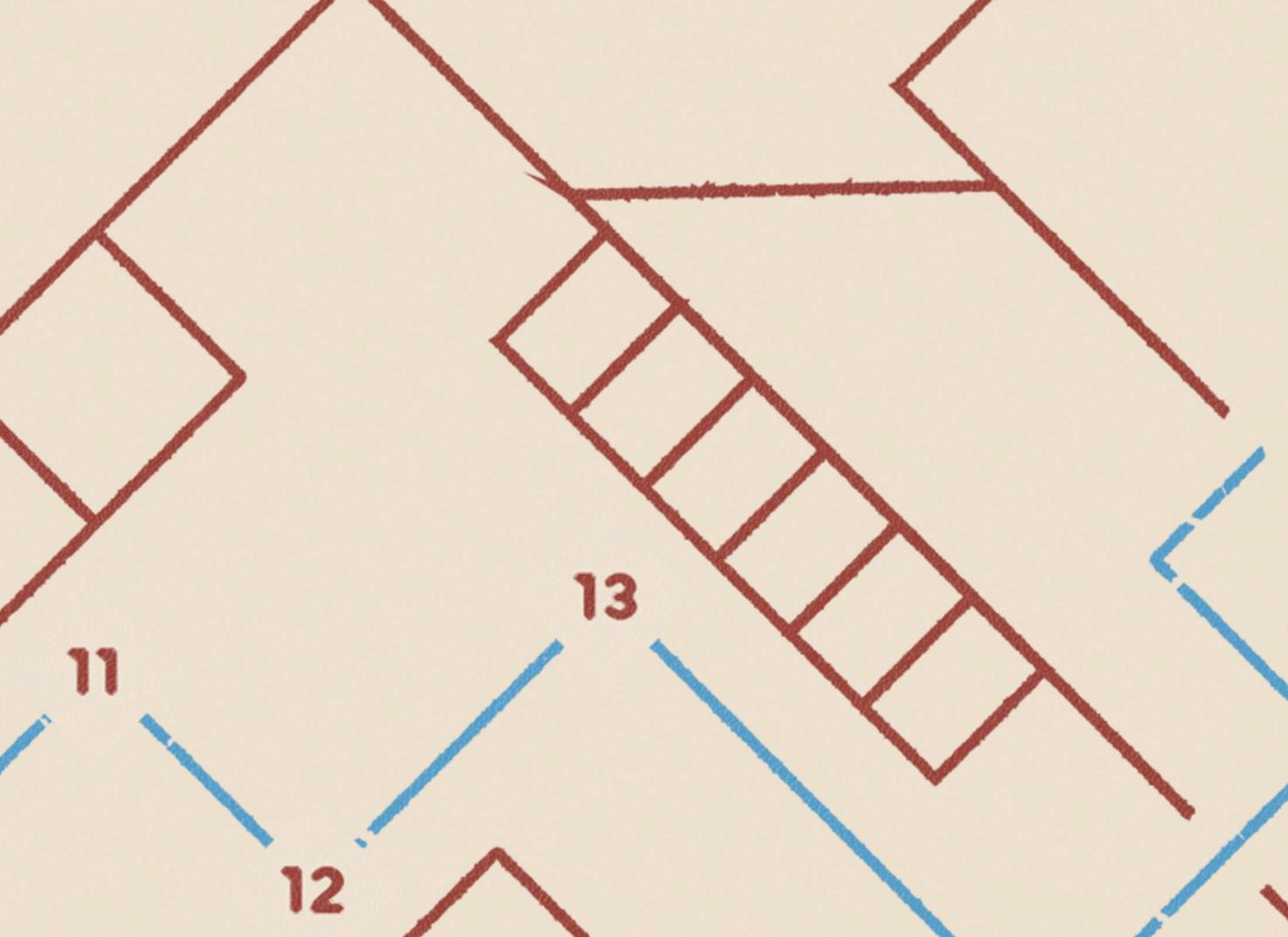
A traditional busito (bus) turned into a cafe. Serves popular Latin American coffees and baked goods.





13 Food Market

A market of staple Latin American street foods and drinks. Sells food such as tacos, arepas, pupusas, empanadas, tostones, and choripan.







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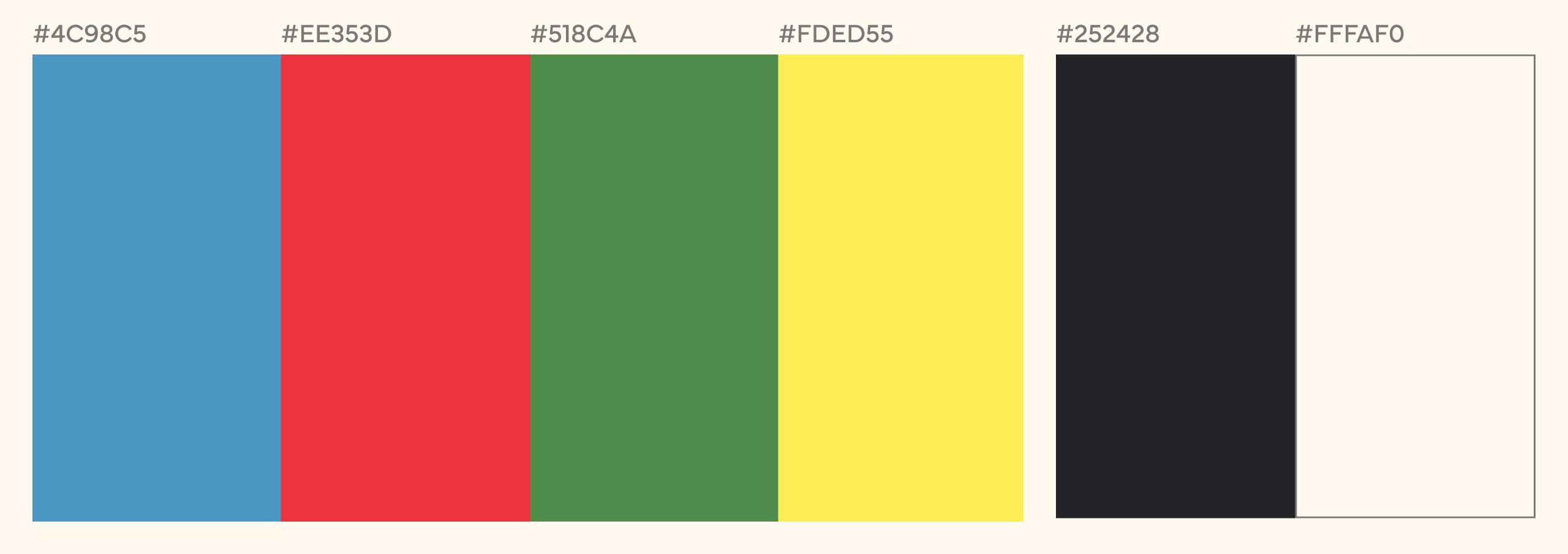
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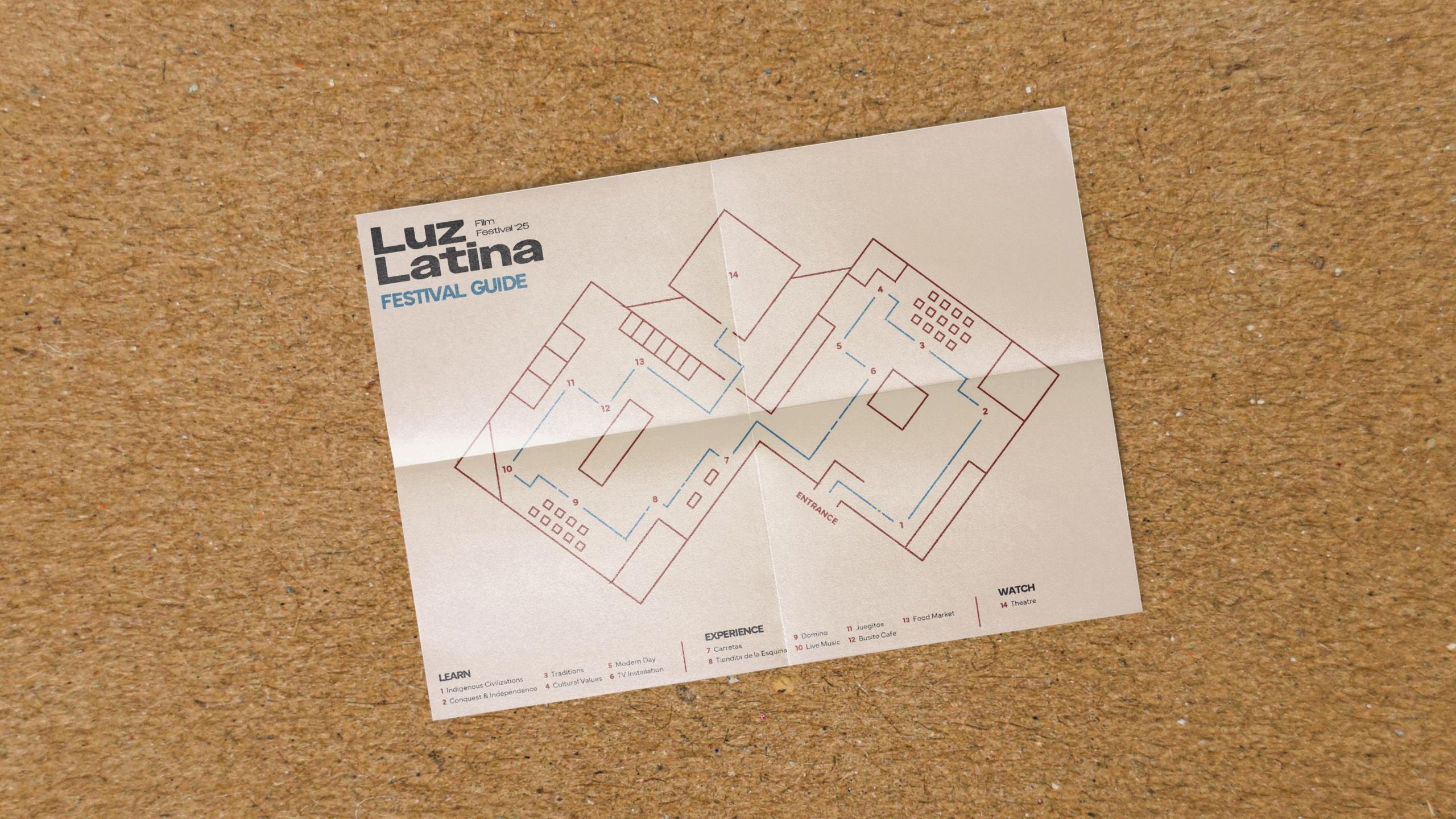
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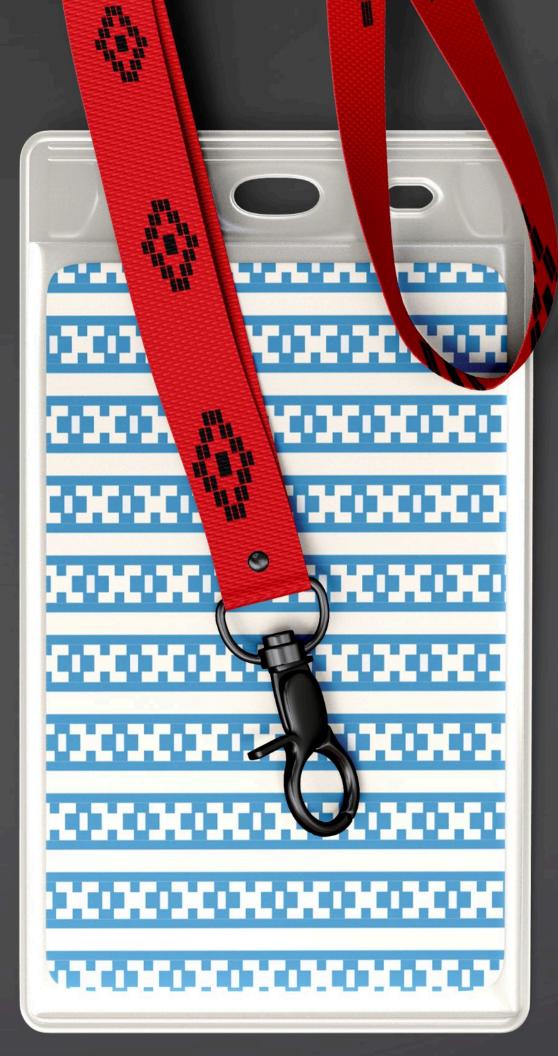
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A CELEBRATION OF LATIN AMERICAN CINEMA — BOLD, INTIMATE, AND UNFORGETTABLE. FROM WHISPERED MEMORIES TO REVOLUTIONARY DREAMS, THESE ARE STORIES THAT SHINE.

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