

basque film series

The Basque Cultural Center & the Basque Educational Organization present the next installment of the Basque Film Series with a special screening of the film **Agur Etxebeste!** For more information on this film & to see the trailer, please check: www.BasqueEducational.org or scan the QR code.

NEW DATE!

Friday, November 19th, 7:30pm



The long-anticipated sequel to the 2005 Basque hit comedy *Aupa Etxebeste!* sees beret-maker Patrizio Etxebeste discover that life as town mayor isn't as easy as he thought. Feigning poor health so he can resign before being disgraced in a corruption scandal, Patrizio passes the job on to his wife María Luisa, whom he assumes will follow his orders. Chaos ensues when this does not turn out to be the case, as María Luisa has ideas of her own. Seeing an opportunity to make real change, his wife seizes the chance of a life-time, but will their marriage survive?

Reuniting the electric combination of Ramón Agirre (*Operation Goldenshell SFF18*) and Elena Irureta as they return to their roles of Mr. and Mrs. Etxebeste, this sharp social satire about corruption and power in local politics world premiered to critical acclaim at the 2019 San Sebastián International Film Festival. Lampooning politics and marriage in a classic battle-of-the-sexes comedy, *Bye Bye Mr. Etxebeste!* is as topical as it is hilarious.



Asier Altuna (Bergara, Gipuzkoa. 1969) and **Telmo Esnal** (Zarautz. Gipuzkoa, 1967) co-directed, in 2005, *Aupa Etxebeste!*, which competed in New Directors and won the Audience Award in San Sebastian. In 2016 they contributed with the segment *Iraila* to the omnibus film *Kalebegiak*, screened at the Velodrome. Single-handed, Altuna has competed in San Sebastian's Official Selection with *Bertsolari* (2011, out of competition) and *Amama* (2015), winner of the Irizar Award. In 2018 he participated in the omnibus film *Gure Oroitzapenak*, screened in Zinemira. His project *Karme* will be presented this year at the Co-Production Forum. For his part, Esnal has directed *Urte berri on, amona!* (2011) which participated in New Directors and *Dantza* (2018), which won the Glocal in Progress Award in 2017 and was presented in San Sebastian's Official Selection the following year.



2019, directed by Asier Altuna & Telmo Esnal, color, in Euskara with English subtitles, 100 minutes
Free Admission
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