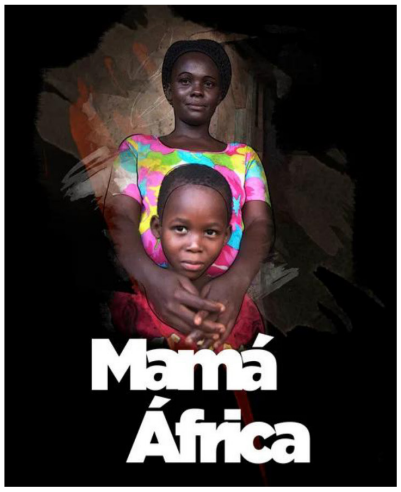
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"Black cosmopolitanism"

TALK BY *filmmaker* **Beni Marquez** *11:00 - 12:15*



Scripps, in Balch 220

Wed, Nov 4

Mamá África

Film Screening

9:50 - 10:45

Featured in the
- Rhode Island Black Film Festival (2021)
- Pan-African Film Festival (2020)
- Black Communities Conference (2019)
- Afro-Latino Film Festival (2019)

Mamá África (2018) is a feature length documentary centering Yoruba religious and cultural expressions in Bobures (Maracaibo Lake), Venezuela and in Oyó, Ado Ekiti, Lagos, and Ogun State, Nigeria. The film narrates the ancestral relationship between the African continent, Latin America, and the Caribbean by tracing Yoruba philosophical tenets. Mamá África highlights communalism, pan-Africanism, and anti-colonial struggle.



Beni Marquez is an Afro-Venezuelan filmmaker from San Agustin, Caracas whose work includes documentary features, music video direction, television and radio production, as well as photography. In 2022, Marquez was selected for the prestigious Cucalorus and Working Films Work-in-Progress Immersive Lab for emergent Black Directors in North Carolina. From The Heart Productions also named his upcoming *Salsa* documentary one of its "Hot Films in the Making."

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