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## WESTERN SHOWS FOREIGN FILM

**St. Joseph, Mo.** —Sept. 15, 2005—Missouri Western State University's department of English, foreign languages and journalism will show the Spanish film *El espíritu de la colmena* – *The Spirit of the Beehive*, at 6 p.m. Sept. 21 in Hearn Center, room 102. The event is free and open to the community.

*The Spirit of the Beehive* is set in rural Spain and portrays the isolation of Ana, an introverted child, growing up after the Spanish Civil War. This landmark film offers a poignant exploration of the fragile innocence of childhood and a thoughtful commentary on the tragedy of Spain's Civil War. The 93 minute film is directed by Victor Erice, and is in Spanish with English subtitles.

For more information, contact Susie Hennessey at 816-271-5813.

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