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To celebrate its 20th anniversary, the Alter-cine Foundation is proud to offer a remarkable film by one of its laureates, the Mexican director Santiago Esteinou. A premiere screening of **Los años de Fierro** (*The Years of Fierro*) will be available for free from **April 8th to 14th** on **Eventbrite**.

Sign up as soon as today and you'll be receiving a private screening link on April 8th, which will be valid until the 14th.

<https://altercine20years.eventbrite.ca>

“César Fierro, the oldest Mexican prisoner on death row in the United States, has been languishing in a Texas prison for more than thirty years. The investigation that put him there was full of irregularities, false testimonies, fabricated evidence, threats, torture and racism. His sentence has been put off repeatedly as the contradictory details of his initial trial have been reviewed. He continues to await execution by lethal injection for a murder that, according to the evidence, he did not commit.

*Santiago Esteinou's documentary **The Years of Fierro** is an empathetic portrayal of this man and the psychological hardship he's endured while awaiting his final day. The film shows a decayed and dehumanized legal system, governed by bureaucracy rather than by any imperative to uphold justice.”*

Trailer of the film: <https://vimeo.com/104635813>

The filmmaker's unrelenting commitment to and support of Cesar, an exemplary team of lawyers, and certain issues brought to light in the film together opened the lid on police malpractice and ultimately led to Cesar's release in 2020 after 40 years on death row in Texas.

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