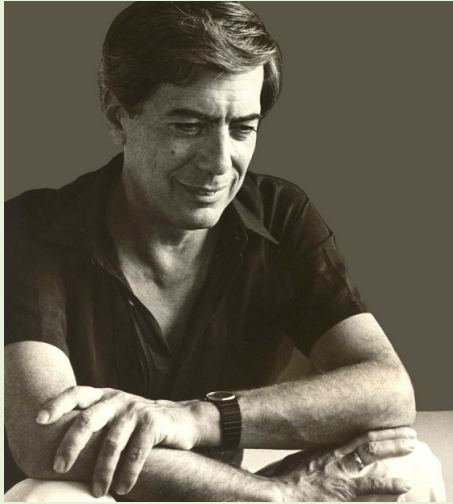


Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> 2011

## What's on in Madrid this week

### Art Exhibits

#### Mario Vargas Llosa. La libertad y la vida.



La Medalla del Premio Nobel que recibió el escritor peruano Mario Vargas Llosa en 2010, fotografías familiares, sus libros favoritos o algunas de sus cartas escritas a amigos como Julio Cortázar o Pablo Neruda son algunas de las joyas que acoge la exposición "Mario Vargas Llosa, la libertad y la vida".

"Es el testimonio de mi vida, del amor que siempre he sentido por la literatura, mis actividades en la enseñanza, el periodismo y la política, y también el reflejo de mi evolución política: cómo fui seducido en mi juventud por el espíritu revolucionario de izquierdas y mi desencanto posterior", ha explicado Mario Vargas Llosa en rueda de prensa.



"Espero -ha añadido- que a los que me siguen de cerca les guste, y a los que no me han leído, que les abra el apetito de descubrir alguna de mis obras". (from [www.abc.es](http://www.abc.es))

**Complejo el Águila. C/ Ramírez de Prado, 3 (Delicias). FREE**

### Music

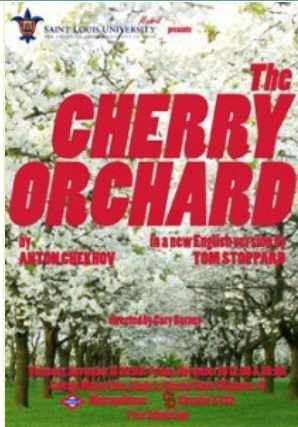
Idealipsticks is one of the most original Spanish Rock bands around, whose songs are in English, not unlike many other successful Spanish bands. The great guitar sound and male-female voice duet make this band's music very energetic. *Radio Days* was their first album, which was consistently praised by critics and audiences. *Sins&Songs*, their second album, brought us catchy tunes, scratchy guitar music

and sweeping voices. Jave and Eva Ryjlen, the components of this group, are a married couple who started playing together 17 years ago and they've only recently become popular in the Spanish music world. Read more about what they've been up to recently on their webpage: [www.idealipsticks.es](http://www.idealipsticks.es), where you'll also find links to interviews (on Radio 3, ABC, Menos 25) and a sample of their music.



**Next concert: Friday, Nov. 11th. Sala Ramdall. C/ Ferraz, 38. Tickets: 10€**

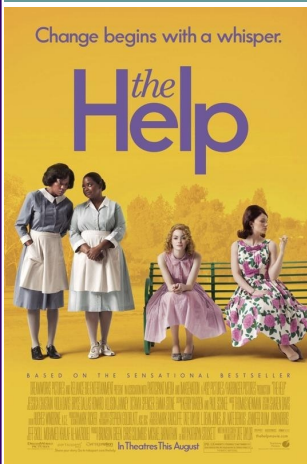
## Theater



A play by Anton Chekhov called *The Cherry Orchard* will be brought to life on the stage at St. Louis University on November 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, a Thursday and Friday. The play, like many of Chekhov's, contains elements of both tragedy and comedy, and was the last play that Chekhov wrote in his lifetime. The plot deals with the end of an era for an aristocratic woman and her family. It shows themes of cultural shift and the changing social and economic forces in early 20<sup>th</sup> century Russia. This particular version will be performed in English based on a new version by Tom Stoppard. This production at Saint Louis University is directed by Cary Barney. Admission is free, so show up early to get good seats for this new twist on a historically significant play. (from [www.cheapinmadrid.com](http://www.cheapinmadrid.com))

**Thurs. 17th @12:00pm and 8:00pm, Fri. 18th @ 8:00pm. Colegio Mayor Elías Ahuja, C/ Rector Royo Villanova, 4 (Metropolitano). FREE**

## Movies



### **CRIADAS Y SEÑORAS**

Set in Mississippi during the 1960s, Skeeter (Emma Stone) is a southern society girl who returns from college determined to become a writer, but turns her friends' lives -- and a small Mississippi town -- upside down when she decides to interview the black women who have spent their lives taking care of prominent southern families. Aibileen (Viola Davis), Skeeter's best friend's housekeeper, is the first to open up -- to the dismay of her friends in the tight-knit black community. Despite Skeeter's life-long friendships hanging in the balance, she and Aibileen continue their collaboration and soon more women come forward to tell their stories -- and as it turns out, they have a lot to say. Along the way, unlikely friendships are forged and a new sisterhood emerges, but not before everyone in town has a thing or two to say themselves when they become unwittingly -- and unwillingly -- caught

up in the changing times (filmaffinity.com)

**Original version in English: Renoir Retiro, Yelmo cines Ideal, Verdi.**

### **VERBO**


Sara es una chica como otra cualquiera que vive en el extrarradio de una gran ciudad, pero que se haya ante una gran crisis existencial que le corroe interiormente. De gran sensibilidad, esta muchacha especial se obsesiona con la creencia de un mundo paralelo al nuestro que le ofrezca las respuestas adecuadas a lo que está buscando. Tras una serie de inquietantes mensajes, unos extraños personajes guían a Sara a una dimensión mágica llena de peligros con la idea de cambiar las cosas en su mundo.

*Verbo* es una arriesgada e innovadora propuesta fílmica del director español, **Eduardo Chapero-Jackson**, que ganó el galardón al Mejor Cortometraje en los Premios del Cine Europeo por *Alumbramiento*. Con esta historia cibernética, a ritmo de rap y llena de elementos visuales que nos recuerdan a películas como *Matrix* o *Tron*, se estrena como realizador en el campo del largometraje.

(from [www.guiadelocio.com](http://www.guiadelocio.com)) **Cines Lido**



## Special events

 **11-11-11 (NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> 2011)**

November 11th 2011: isn't it a beautiful date? It's the obvious choice of date to celebrate the great work O.N.C.E. is doing to integrate disabled people into society. O.N.C.E. is the national organization for the blind (Organización Nacional de Ciegos), which employs and promotes the employment of disabled citizens. Part of their funds come from the lottery games they organize (that's what the small yellow and green booths in the street are for). On Nov. 11th 2011, there will be an especial lottery in which 22 million euro will



be given out. Also on that date, two events will be hosted by ONCE: an official event in which they will give thanks to the Spanish society for their support and a TV gala that will include several music shows.

Thanks to a new digital technique, great current artists will share the stage with others who passed away. Thanks to this magic, Pitingo, Pastora Soler and Serafín Zubiri will sing with Celia Cruz, Rocío Dúrcal and Nino Bravo. Other musical shows include songs by David Bisbal, Estopa, Malú, Amaia Montero, Pablo Alborán y Carmiño, el Dúo Dinámico, Andy y Lucas and Marta Sánchez.

**Friday, Nov. 11th at 10:15pm on TV channel 1 (TVE1)**



## Places to Check Out



### Naturbier

Located right in Plaza Santa Ana, this restaurant and tapas bar offers a good selection of tapas, German sausages and the only natural beer brewed in Madrid, which you can actually pour yourself.

**Plaza Santa Ana, 9.(Sol)**

**Phone No. 91 360 0597**

## Colloquial Spanish phrases

Maite: Ayer fuimos a un restaurante japonés nuevo. Mi hermano fue la semana pasada y lo puso por las nubes, pero a mí, la verdad es que no me pareció para tanto.

*Maite: we went to a new Japanese restaurant yesterday. My brother went last week and he talked wonders about it, but personally, I didn't find it so good.*

En Europa se supone que todos los países miembros deberían tener la misma importancia y poder de decisión, pero al final, siempre son Alemania y Francia las que tienen la sartén por el mango.

*In Europe, all the member countries should be as important as each other and have the same decision power, but at the end of the day, Germany and France have the upper hand.*

