

Free film and discussion
“Guarda Bosques”
(Forest Keepers)

**Self determination & self defense in Michoacan,
Mexico**

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en Cherán, Michoacán, México**

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7 pm/Wed/Sept 3rd
@McNail-Riley House/601 W 13th Ave.

In 2011, when organized crime thugs teamed with the logging industry & different government agencies to pillage precious & sacred forests at gun-point, the indigenous Purepecha community in Michoacan, Mexico rose up with sticks, rocks, & bottle rockets against what was described as their local narco-government. Since then, they have re-established a traditional form of self-governance that includes its own council of elders, a community police “ronda” and its own forest defense team.

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