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A School in Cerro Hueso

70min | Argentina | by Betania Cappato

There is a delicateness and fragility to her, as if she were made of glass. Now, at age six, Ema has to start school – yet most schools are unwilling to accept a pupil diagnosed on the autism spectrum. The only ones prepared to teach her are the staff of a small rural school on the Paraná River. For Ema's family, this means leaving the city behind to start a new life in the country. Being close to nature and spending time with a mare called Estrellita help Ema take some small but important steps. Thanks to the unprejudiced local community and above all the gentle friendship of her classmate Irena, she becomes increasingly able to participate in the world around her, in her very own way. Based on the director's own family history, Betania Cappato's film astutely and tenderly chronicles its young protagonist's inner journey.

Original Title | Una Escuela en Cerro Hueso
Directed by | Betania Cappato
Cast | Clementina Folmer, Mara Bestelli, Pablo Seijo, Irene Zequin, Ariel Núñez
Screenplay | Betania Cappato
Production | Rita Cine, Insomnia Films
In Collaboration with | 102 Distribution
Country | Argentina
Year | 2021
Genre | Drama
Film run | 70'
Format | Colour

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