History 43- Mexican-American History  **Extra credit assignment**

For film critiques write a 1 page essay answering the following questions:

1. Explain the historical context of this film. What is the time period of the film?
2. Do the characters of the film represent real historical persons or fictional characters?
3. Explain the plot of the film?
4. When was the film made?
5. Are there any historical inaccuracies in the film?
6. What new insights about this period in history did you gain from this film?

**Films**

*Apocalypto* (2006)
*The Other Conquest* (1998)
*Aguirre, Wrath of God* (1971)
*Cabeza de Vaca* (1992)
*The Mask of Zorro* (1998)
*The Legend of Zorro* (2005)
*Retorno a Aztlan* (1991)
*Ballad of Gregorio Cortez* (1982)
*And Staring Pancho Villa as himself* (2003)
*The Cisco Kid* (1994)
*10,000 BC* (2008)
*One Man’s Hero* (1999)
*Alamo* (2005)
*1492: Conquest of Paradise* (1992)
*Christopher Columbus Discovery* (1992)
*El Cid* (1961)
*El Dorado* (1988)
*Guadalupe* (2006)
*The New World* (2005)
*Ballad of Gregorio Cortez* (1982)

**Books**

For books write a one page summary about what you learned and how the book is related to the course.

**Museum Visits**

For museum visits, write a one page essay that answers the following questions:

1. Describe the artifacts or paintings. You may submit a picture. When was it produced?
2. What do the artifacts tell us about this historical time period?
3. What new insights about this period in history did you gain from the museum visit?