

Teatro de la Luna

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- WHAT:** **Thirteenth International Festival of Hispanic Theater**
In Spanish with live English dubbing (*except where specifically noted*)
- WHO:** Troupes from **Argentina, Dominican Republic, Paraguay, Spain, U. S. A., and Venezuela.**
- WHEN:** **October 19 – November 27, 2010**
- WHERE:** **Gunston Arts Center – Theater Two**
2700 S. Lang Street, Arlington, VA 22206
- TICKETS:** **Regular \$30; Students & Seniors Citizens, \$25; 3-Ticket Pass for \$80/\$65; Full Festival Pass for \$150/\$125**
- INFORMATION:** **703-548-3092 or 202-882-6227; www.teatrodela luna.org**

Teatro de la Luna as part of its 20th Season
Embracing Dreams
presents

13th International Festival of Hispanic Theater

TEATRO DE LA LUNA is delighted to announce its 13th International Festival of Hispanic Theater, showcasing award-winning and critically acclaimed troupes from six countries. The Festival will run from October 19 through November 27.

The Festival's Opening Reception will be held on Tuesday, October 19 from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm at the residence of the Ambassador of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, his Excellency Bernardo Alvarez Herrera and Mrs. Margarete de Alvarez, at 2443 Massachusetts Ave., NW in Washington, DC.

Honorary President of the 13th International Festival of Hispanic Theater is Venezuelan actor Elba Escobar. Ms. Escobar is well-known throughout Latin America for her 30-plus years of work in theater, film, TV, radio, singing, and her immense multi-faceted career in Venezuelan cultural activities. She will officially open the Festival, and will, in turn, be recognized by Teatro de la Luna for her prolific contribution to the arts in her country. In addition to the Honorary Presidency, Ms. Escobar represents Venezuela in the Festival, performing onstage during the first weekend.

Following is the Calendar of Events for the Festival:

- Tue. Oct. 19**
6:30 – 8:30pm **Opening Night Reception**, Residence of the Ambassador of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, 2443 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Washington DC
(*by invitation only*)
- Oct. 21, 22, 8pm**
Oct. 23, 3pm & 8pm **VENEZUELA: *Mi Marido es un Cornudo (My Husband is a Cuckold)***
by Elizabeth Fuentes. Troupe: I.E. Producciones C.A.
- Oct. 28, 29, 8pm**
Oct. 30, 3pm & 8pm **SPAIN: *El Día Más Feliz de Nuestra Vida (The Happiest Day of Our Lives)*** by Laila Rapoll. Troupe: Alquibla Teatro
- Nov. 4, 5, 8pm**
Nov. 6, 3pm & 8pm **ARGENTINA: *Socorro! Me Caso (Help! I'm Getting Married)***
by Christian Vivas & Hernán Traversa. Troupe: Teatro del Alma
- Nov. 11, 12, 8pm**
Nov. 13, 3pm & 8pm **ARGENTINA: *Romeo y Julieta, una Obra en Construcción (Romeo and Juliet, a Work in Progress)*** by Pablo Di Felice. Troupe: Puro Grupo Teatro
- Nov. 18, 19, 8pm**
Nov. 20, 3pm & 8pm **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: *Ubú Rey (King Ubu)*** by Alfred Jarry, in a version by Enrique Buenaventura. Troupe: Teatro Gayumba
- Nov. 20 & 27, 11.30am*** **U.S.A.: *Gotas de Agua (Drops of Water)*** by Jacqueline Briceño.
Troupe: Teatro de la Luna
- Nov. 26, 8pm**
Nov. 27, 3pm & 8pm **PARAGUAY: *Techaga'ú / Añoranza (Wistful Memories)*** by Hugo Luis Robles. Troupe: El Ansia Teatro

*No live English dubbing offered – (Bilingual)

Program subject to change

**Note to the Press: Two Complementary Tickets per
Production Await Your Call**

General Information:

- Tickets are Regular **\$30**; Students and Seniors over 60, **\$25**
- **3-Ticket Pass:** Save **\$10** when buying 3 tickets for three different plays.
- **Full Festival Pass:** Save up to **\$40** when buying 6 tickets for six different plays, plus invitation for the opening reception and a ticket for *Gotas de Agua /Drops of Water*.
- **Theater for Children** tickets: **\$10**; **FREE** for children under 4.
- School performances – call office for hours and availability
- Post-Performance Discussions every Friday Night
- Live English Dubbing **FREE**
- Childcare available during Sat. matinees, 24 notice required, \$10 per child

INFORMATION and RESERVATIONS: 703-548-3092 / 202-882-6227

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Teatro de la Luna is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization. The 13th International Festival of Hispanic Theater receives support from Arlington County Cultural Affairs Division, Arlington Commission for the Arts, Comfort Inn Ballston/Arlington, ZGS Communications, Telemundo-Channel 64, Radio América, Radio El Zol, Radio Viva 900, embassies and private donations.

DESCRIPTION OF PLAYS

VENEZUELA – *Mi Marido es un Cornudo* (My Husband is a Cuckold)

Comedy

Ages: 15+

US Première

This time, in the key of good humor, it's the subject of feminine infidelity... A "secret," revealing door will be opened convincing us that this isn't just the territory of men, the supposed experts in the subject.

ESPAÑA – *El Día Más Feliz de Nuestra Vida* (The Happiest Day of Our Lives)

Satiric Comedy

Ages: 13+

Area Première

A beautiful and entertaining comedy that captures the best of Spain's humorous theatrical tradition. Reminiscing about their wedding day and first communion becomes a hymn of nostalgia, humor and tenderness, an unchangeable something that already happened.

ARGENTINA – *Socorro! Me Caso* (Help! I'm Getting Married)

Comedy

Ages: 15+

US Première

All the imaginable situations before, during and after a wedding. The samples of relatives and friends that come with best intentions, envies, frustrations, displayed with "well deserved" grotesque humor, beginning with the presents ... and everything else.

ARGENTINA – *Romeo y Julieta, una Obra en Construcción* (Romeo and Juliet, a Work in Progress)

Farse

Ages: 10+

US Première

The classic of classics, and it is a classic because it is popular. A group of actors arrive with Romeo and Juliet, with no other baggage but their talent (which is a lot!), the humor (which is everything!), and a youth that sings of love and life (leaving nothing lacking!).

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC – *Ubú Rey* (King Ubu)

Satiric Comedy

Ages: 13+

US Première

Today, UBU still reveals all the force and validity that made it one of the classic roles in World Theater. Imagination, creativity and talent combine in one ideal entertainment: good theater.

U.S.A. (Arlington-Washington, DC) – *Gotas de Agua* (Drops of Water)

Bilingual Family Show

World Première

In a magical play of images, three clowns talk about the importance of water as characters from Gotas, a city in danger. Rocío, guardian of the fountain of pure water, Hidroamigo, defender of water, and Conta, King of Contamination will amuse and teach us to take care of the most precious treasure of our planet: Water.

PARGUAY – *Techaga'ú / Añoranza* (Wistful Memories)

Dramatic Comedy

Ages: 13+

US Première

Memory of a feeling is common throughout humanity. Those that leave us carry with them the best of themselves, those that stay behind miss those that, from afar, are sowing bits of dreams with the aroma of the homeland.

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