

Teatro de la Luna

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WHAT: CHILDREN'S THEATER FESTIVAL

WHO: Teatro de la Luna, Lao Heritage Foundation, Los Quetzalitos, Ko'etî Folkloric Ballet and Las Lunitas (*the Little Moons*)

WHERE: Rosslyn Spectrum Theater
1611 N. Kent St., 'LL' Level, Arlington, VA 22209
(2 blocks from the ROSSLYN METRO Station)

WHEN: Saturday, January 15, 11am – 5pm

COST: General Admission: \$10; FREE for children under 4

INFO: 703-548-3092; www.teatrodelaluna.org

Teatro de la Luna *presents* Children's Theater Festival

Teatro de la Luna presents its **Children's Theater Festival** at the Rosslyn Spectrum Theater, 1611 North Kent Street, 'LL' Level, Arlington, Virginia, on Saturday, January 15 from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. There will be six hours of theater and other artistic activities to delight children, parents and friends. Folkloric dance troupes from Mexico and Paraguay will participate, as will the LAO Heritage Foundation. Planned activities focus on different areas of the world and emphasize cooperation in our ever-shrinking world, while maintaining distinct artistic traditions and cultures. **All activities are BILINGUAL.**

Beginning at 11:00, the lobby of the Spectrum will be filled with various activities. Children can participate in painting, drawing, reading and storytelling, sharing their own talents with their peers and parents.

At noon there will be a performance of Teatro de la Luna's newest show for children, *Gotas de Agua (Drops of Water)*, an original play written for La Luna's Experience Theater Program by its long-

time collaborator, Jacqueline Briceño. In the play, through magical images and interplay, three clowns emphasize the importance of clean water by way of the story of ‘Gotas’, a town in trouble. The clowns transform into Rocío, the Guardian of the Fountain of Pure Water, Conta, the King of Contamination, and Hidroamigo, the Defender of Water. Using hip-hop music, the story includes humor, fun and fantasy that leaves spectators with the knowledge that the care of our planet lies in the hands of the children – and adults – of the Earth.

Following the performance a lunch break will be observed. At 1:30 pm **LOS QUETZALITOS**, Children’s Mexican Dance Group and **LAO Heritage Foundation**; participants in Laos music and dance, will perform.

At 2:00 ‘**Las Lunitas**’, children participating in Teatro de la Luna’s Saturday theater workshops and **Ballet Folklórico Paraguayo “KO’ETÎ”** (“Dawn” Paraguayan Folkloric Ballet) will perform.

Lobby activities will continue following these performances.

At 4:00 pm La Luna will perform its second performance of *Gotas de Agua*.

Throughout the festival food and drink will be available for purchase in the lobby. There will also be a book sale, plus various crafts.

The Rosslyn Spectrum Theater is two blocks from the Rosslyn Metro Station on the Blue and Orange lines. There is also ample free parking under the building, accessed on Arlington Ridge Road. For more information see www.teatrodelaluna.org

Tickets for the Festival are available online at www.teatrodelaluna. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

INFORMATION and RESERVATIONS: 703-548-3092

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**Note to the Press: Two Complimentary Tickets
Await Your Call**

This program is presented through the help of the Arlington County Cultural Affairs Division, Arlington Commission for the Arts, Arlington Community Foundation, and from private donations.

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