

Teatro de la Luna

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—with the best Latin American flavor

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Teatro de la Luna announces its 25th season: 2015-2016 “UNDER A NEW MOON”

Providing yet another season – with the best Latin American style – guaranteed to share our greatest theatrical expression.

Under a New Moon marks the 25th season for Teatro de la Luna -and it is time to celebrate. The organization will do that with its ambitious and appealing new lineup that includes music aimed at both Hispanic and non-Hispanic audiences in the greater metropolitan area.

This season, with gratitude to Arlington Cultural Affairs Division of Arlington Economic Development and the Arlington Commission for the Arts, Teatro de la Luna will connect with its patrons and supporters at Rosslyn Spectrum Theater in Arlington, conveniently located just steps away from the Rosslyn Metro station. Rosslyn Spectrum offers free parking accessible from Ridge Road.

◆ SEASON LINEUP

At the ROSSLYN SPECTRUM THEATER – 1611 N. Kent Street, Arlington, VA 22209

●- **Saturday Nov. 7, 2015, 7:30 pm: CENTRAL AMERICAN MARIMBA FESTIVAL** (featuring musicians from Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua)

●- **Saturday Nov. 14, 2015, 7:30 pm: MARIACHIS** (Mexico)

Tickets: \$35 regular; \$30 students/seniors

●- **Friday Nov. 20 & Saturday Nov. 21, 2015, 7:30 pm: JUAN ESTRELLA** from Ecuador in **My Show of Magic and Illusion Bilingual** (Spanish-English)

Tickets: \$30 regular; \$25 students/seniors

●- **Saturday Nov. 21, 2015, 4pm: JUAN ESTRELLA** in **My Magic Show for Children Bilingual** (Spanish-English) Available for touring during school hours November 16 -24, 2015

Tickets: \$20 regular; \$10 children; Children under 4 FREE

●- **Saturday March 19 & 26, 2016, 7:30 pm: A TRIBUTE to CHABUCA GRANDA**

●- **Saturday April 2 & 9, 2016, 7:30 pm: MOONLIGHT TANGOS** (Argentine tango show)

●- **Saturday April 16, 2016, 7:30 pm: BOLEROS NIGHT**

Tickets: \$35 regular; \$30 students/seniors

◆ **10% discount** for groups of 10 people or more ◆ **Ample free parking** ◆ **Disability accessible**

◆ **OTHER OFFERINGS DURING THE SEASON**

● **Thursdays at La Luna** The first Thursday of each month, starting Sept. 3, 2015, 7pm, in a space designed for presentations and commentary, Teatro de la Luna will showcase video highlights from its first 25 years. Works scheduled to be presented include: “El Día que me Quieras” (*The Day You Love Me*); “Venecia” (*Venice*); “Las Quiero a las Dos” (*I Want Them Both*); “FRIDA Kahlo, la Pasión” (*FRIDA Kahlo, the Passion*); “Cuentos de Hadas” (*Fairy Tales*); “Volvió una Noche” (*She Returned One Night*); “Tango Turco” (*Turkish Tango*); “Rosa de Dos Aromas” (*Two-scented Rose*); “Amor al Aire Libre” (*Love in the Open Air*); “Justo en lo mejor de mi vida” (*Just at Life’s Best Moment*). The screenings at Casa de la Luna, 4020 Georgia Ave., NW, Washington DC, 20011, take place at 7 pm. Free. (Donations accepted.)

● **Petru Under a New Moon** Friday, Sept. 18 & Saturday, Sept. 19, 2015, 7.30 pm. Comedian Petru Valenski brings his incomparable humor directly from Montevideo, Uruguay, for two nights of cabaret-style performances at Casa de la Luna, 4020 Georgia Ave., NW, Washington DC, 20011. Donation: \$25- \$30.

● **Leo Reales Under a New Moon**, Friday, Dec. 4 & Saturday, Dec. 5, 7:30 pm, 2015. 'Leo, the storytelling comedian,' brings us his stand-up comedy using multiple accents and languages, interacting with the audience, and comically relating incredible stories from Colombia and elsewhere in Latin America. From Colombia, charged with humor, comes the stand-up comedy of Leonardo Reales for two nights of cabaret-style performances at Casa de la Luna, 4020 Georgia Ave., NW, Washington DC, 20011. Donation: \$20- \$25.

◆ **EXPERIENCE THEATER**

● **Children’s Theater Festival**, Saturday, Jan. 16, 2016, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at **Rosslyn Spectrum Theater**, 1611 N. Kent St., Arlington, VA, 22209. A full day of theater and much more. Theater for children, creative activities, a presentation by *Las Lunitas* (children from La Luna’s bilingual theater workshops) and folklore dance groups from several countries. **Tickets:** \$15; under age 13, \$10; children under de 4 free!

● **Theater Workshops for Children at Casa de la Luna**, 4020 Georgia Av. Washington, DC. 20011. Six consecutive sessions on Saturdays starting Nov. 21, 2015, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Traveling Theater: *Sanos y Contentos (Happy and Healthy)*, is an entertaining family-focused production about the importance of good nutrition and exercise; ***Siempre Amigos (Buddies not Bullies)*** addresses the important theme of bullying -physical and verbal. Both plays are written and directed by al Neher J. Briceño. In addition, actors Marcela Ferlito and Karin Tovar offer a special theatrical presentation for children 3 to 5, ***Chiquititos (Itsy Bitsy)***. ***JUAN ESTRELLA y su show de Magia para Niños (Juan Estrella & My Family show)*** is available for touring during school hours November 16 through 24, 2015.

Experience Theater productions are available for presentation as repertory pieces at schools and recreational centers. For more information or to schedule a presentation, contact Teatro de la Luna at **202-882-6227**.

◆ **XXIV POETRY MARATHON, 'THE PEN AND THE WORD'**

This long-time event once again brings together well-known poets from the Americas and Spain for readings at the **Library of Congress** on Friday, June 10, 2016, from 1:30 pm to 3.30 pm and a poetry marathon at **Casa de la Luna** on Saturday, June 11, 2016, from 2 to 8 pm. The event also provides an opportunity for DC-area poets and poetry lovers to take the microphone. As with past years, a poetry anthology related to the marathon will be presented to the Library of Congress and available for sale. Admission and participation are free.

Teatro de la Luna, founded in 1991, marks a quarter century producing theater and other cultural events that spotlight and celebrate Latin American culture. The organization has been recognized for its cultural contributions on several occasions. In acknowledgement of the work of its director, Mario Marcel, it received the *Elizabeth Campbell Award* for advancing arts from the American Association of University Women's Arlington chapter. On two occasions, La Luna was honored with the STAR prize from the Arlington County Commission for the Arts for administrative excellence and service to the community. And La Luna's producer, Nucky Walder, received the *Latina Woman Leadership 2009* award.

The goal of building connections between the Spanish-speaking and English-speaking communities is achieved by promoting dialogue and community involvement through bilingual and translated theatrical and cultural events.

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