

Teatro de la Luna

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WHAT: Teatro de la Luna's 27th Poetry Marathon *(in Spanish)*

WHO: Invited Guest Poets and All Lovers of Poetry

FEATURING THIS YEAR'S GUEST POETS
from our Spanish-Speaking World:

Marcela Duque (Colombia)
Rita Martin (Cuba)
Roxana Méndez (El Salvador)
Ario Salazar (El Salvador)
Benito del Pliego (Spain)
Jesús Rito García (México)
Rossalinda Benjamin (Dominican Republic)
Julio Cuevas (Dominican Republic)

**WHEN &
WHERE:**

Friday, June 7, 2019 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Independence Ave. & 1st Street SE, Washington, DC 20540
Sala de Lectura Hispana (LJ-240) Thomas Jefferson Building
(*Capitol South Metro – Blue, Orange & Silver Lines*)

Saturday June 8, 2019 2:00 pm-8:00 pm

CASA DE LA LUNA

4020 Georgia Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20011
(*Georgia Ave./ Petworth Metro station – Yellow & Green Lines.*
Street Parking, Free after 6.30pm)

TICKETS: FREE (donations welcomed)

INFO: 202-882-6227 / 703-548-3092 or www.teatrodela luna.org
27th Poetry Marathon
The Pen and the Word
[in Spanish]

An Invitation to Area Poets and All Lovers of Poetry

TEATRO DE LA LUNA is proud to announce its 27th Poetry Marathon in Spanish, *La Pluma y la Palabra* (The Pen and the Word) **June 7-8, 2019**. The event is among several each year that support La Luna's mission to promote Hispanic culture and foster cross-cultural understanding between the Spanish and English-speaking communities in the national capital area.

The poetry marathon, a ground-breaking event in the United States, brings together recognized Spanish American poets—both in and outside the United States—to share their work with Washington, DC poetry community. This year's marathon includes readings by our featured poets: Marcela Duque (Colombia), Rita Martin (Cuba), Rossalinda Benjamin and Julio Cuevas (Dominican Republic), Roxana Méndez and Ario Salazar (El Salvador), Jesús Rito García (México), and Benito del Pliego (Spain).

The marathon kicks off at the **Library of Congress** on Friday, June 7 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. (Independence Ave. & 1st Street SE, Washington, DC 20540 -**Sala de Lectura Hispana (LJ-240)** Thomas Jefferson Building. On Saturday, June 8, **Casa de la Luna** (4020 Georgia Avenue, NW, Washington, DC) hosts the marathon, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Admission to all events is free of charge.

The theater's Literary Advisor, poet and Professor Rei Berroa (George Mason University) coordinates the event, which also features open-mike poetry sessions. Those wishing to participate should submit their poems in Spanish to Teatro de la Luna by email at info@teatrodelaluna.org by June 3. The 2019 book-anthology, edited and selected by Rei Berroa, will be available during the Marathon. The published book includes a selection of 25 pages of poems for each poet. This year's Marathon celebrates the life and work of Walt Wittman in commemoration of its second centenary.

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