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WHAT: Teatro de la Luna's 28th Poetry Marathon (*in Spanish*)

WHO: Invited Guest Poets and All Lovers of Poetry

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

WHEN &

WHERE: Saturday September 26, 2020 2:00 pm-8:00 pm

VIA ZOOM – Facebook Live

TICKETS: FREE (donations welcomed)

INFO: 202-882-6227 / 703-548-3092 or www.teatrodelaluna.org

28th 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 28th Poetry Marathon in Spanish, *La Pluma y la Palabra* (The Pen and the Word) on **September 26, 2020**. 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 the Washington metropolitan area and the whole world poetry community. This year's Marathon includes readings by our featured poets:

Adriana Romano and Carolina Zamudio (Argentina), Wellington de Melo (Brazil), Louise Dupré (Canada), Carlos Aguasaco (Colombia), Alberto Marrero Fernández and Karel Leyva Ferrer (Cuba), Rhina Espaillat y Basilio Belliard (Dominican Republic), Otoniel Guevara y Tania Pleitez (El Salvador), Gaetano Longo (Italy-

Cuba), Javier Villareal (Mexico), Nicasio Urbina (Nicaragua), Leocadia Regalo (Portugal), José Luis Vega (Puerto Rico), Pedro Enríquez y Fernando Operé (Spain)

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The event is going to be held on Saturday, September 26, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Via Zoom and Facebook Live.

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 September 15.

Last year’s book-anthology, edited and selected by Rei Berroa, will be available during the Marathon. The published book, dedicated to Walt Whitman’s life and poetry for his bicentennial (1819-92), includes a 40-page Introduction by Berroa and a selection of 25 pages of poetry for each poet.

This year’s Marathon is an effort to put Poetry at the center of our lives to help us defeat all the pandemias decimating the human condition around the globe: covid-19 (health), lack of decency in politics, and the absence of justice in the social fabric of every country. To remedy these deficiencies, all featured poets have been invited to initiate their participation with a poem “against all pandemias.”

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