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| **Teatro de la Luna** | *—al mejor estilo latinoamericano* |
| *—with the best Latin American style* |

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**TEATRO DE LA LUNA**

**Invites you to the Play Reading of**

***“BRIEF BALLROOM DANCES” in Spanish only***

TEATRO DE LA LUNA, continues its Play Reading Series with BRIEF BALLROOM DANCES as the closing of the Second Series of the Bilingual Actor’s Training and Play Reading Workshops conducted by Director Mario Marcel and the assistance of Marcela Ferlito, Pablo Guillén and Nucky Walder.

These Final Performances include the ten workshop participants interpreting three short plays by Argentinean Agustin Cuzzani, creator of the “farsátira” and three scenes of “Ballroom Dances” by Spanish playwright Gracia Morales. Performances will take place on Saturday, January 27 at 7:00 pm and Sunday, January 28 at 3:00 pm at Casa de la Luna, 4020 Georgia Ave., NW, Washington DC 20011. These performances are done in Spanish only and tickets are “Pay What You Can”.

**About the Director**

**Mario Marcel** (Argentina) is a director, actor, teacher and founder of Teatro de la Luna (among other theaters). He has a lifelong commitment to promoting culture and a solid and outstanding artistic trajectory in our community and internationally. He has directed, adapted and performed in a wide range of genres and styles. His dedication to his art has reflected in the opportunities he creates for actors of all ages and backgrounds. He has received numerous honors and awards for his artistic work.

**Teatro de la Luna**, founded in 1991, produces performing arts and other events that celebrate Latin culture and seeks to connect Spanish-speaking and English-speaking communities. La Luna has been recognized for its cultural contributions on several occasions. La Luna’s Director Mario Marcel received the Elizabeth Campbell Award for advancement of the 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 American for its administrative excellence and service to the community; In 2017, received the “Working for the Community” award from NBC4. La Luna’s Producer Nucky Walder received the Latina Woman Leadership 2009 award and the 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award from DC Mayor Muriel Bowser through the Office of Latino Affairs. In 2020, Teatro de la Luna was interviewed by Channel 7 WJLA and in 2021 by Telemundo-Channel 64. Recently, the director Mario Marcel received a recognition from Fundación Nueva Esperanza. The goal of bridging the Spanish-speaking and English-speaking communities is achieved by promoting dialogue and involving community members in these cultural bilingual events.

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