

## **GALA Hispanic Theatre™s Paso Nuevo presents PALABRAS SINCERAS Sincere Words**

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Washington, D.C. – Paso Nuevo is proud to present Palabras Sinceras/Sincere Words on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at 7:30 pm at GALA Theatre in Washington, DC. Directed by Guadalupe Campos, the presentation is a collection of poetry and short scenes written and developed by Paso Nuevo participants. Palabras Sinceras is performed in Spanish and English. Admission is FREE.

“The original work presented in the production,” states director Campos, “is a culmination of a four month exploration of human emotions, needs, and actions by Paso Nuevo participants through the arts. In this brief but intense period the youth developed a safe space to share their perspectives on love, friendship, family, and migration.”

“The creative exploration by youth in our community illustrate how the arts can change their lives as they explore the human condition and seek a better understanding of their lives and environment,” added Jackie Reyes, Executive Director of the Mayor’s Office on Latino Affairs, which provides ongoing support for Paso Nuevo. “Mayor Bowser celebrates and commends GALA and its Paso Nuevo program for engaging our youth through the arts to build a stronger Latino community.”

The Paso Nuevo participants are Pablo Avedaño Cruz, Carlos Calzado, Claudia Centeno, José Coca, Evelin Delgado, Alicia Díaz, Alexi Misael Garay, Vidal Gonzalez, Gerson Hernández, Nohemi King, Clarissa Lazo, Jennifer López, Marselina López-Fuentes, Sintia Madrid Romero, Yackelin Meléndez, Katheryn Mendoza, Christell Miranda, Irvin Quintanilla, Alejandro Ramos, Takenya Toliver, Ericka Valencia, Almando Vallejo Baez, Alejandro Zuniga, Fátima Ventura, Anthonia Whitten, and Anderson Zepeda.

GALA Theatre is located at 3333 14th Street, NW in Washington, DC. Parking is available behind the theater in the Giant Food garage on Park Road, NW. The theater is one block north of the Columbia Heights Metro station on the Yellow and Green lines. For more information, call 202-234-7174 or visit [www.galatheatre.org](http://www.galatheatre.org)

### **ABOUT PASO NUEVO**

Now in its 26th year, Paso Nuevo is GALA’s after-school workshop program for Latino and multi-cultural youth ages 12 to 19. The workshops are held throughout the year and provide a safe environment in which youth can explore issues of identity and cultural differences, articulate their values, increase self-esteem, and gain bilingual skills that will enhance their academic performance and future career opportunities. Additionally, the youth involved in this project control all aspects of the theatrical process, from conception to technical direction and marketing.

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