

A MESSAGE FROM INTERIM PRESIDENT

Daisy Cocco De Filippis, Ph.D.

Soldanela Rivera López, Director of Presidential and Strategic Initiatives at Hostos Community College, has been selected to receive the Comité Noviembre's 2020 *Lo Mejor de Nuestra Comunidad* Award.

The award honors Puerto Ricans whose pride in their heritage and strength of character inspires others to make a significant impact on their community.

Comité Noviembre is a non-profit organization created to recognize and honor Puerto Ricans who have made contributions to this nation; support educational opportunities for youth through college scholarships; and promote the cultural, linguistic, and historical richness of Puerto Rico.

Ms. Rivera López is one of 12 who will receive the award this year. In addition to her work at Hostos, Ms. Rivera has served as a volunteer member of Diaspora for Puerto Rico, Inc., and is the author of "Paisaje Para La Muerte," a memoir.

Interim President Daisy Cocco De Filippis was delighted to hear the good news. "I am grateful for the engagement of members of the Hostos family in continuing their support of the communities we serve. *Felicitaciones*, *enhorabuena*, *brava*, Soldanela!"

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