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HOSTOS CENTER PRESENTS REPERTORIO ESPAÑOL IN “LA NENA SE CASA”

(Bronx, NY) – The Hostos Center for the Arts & Culture presents Repertorio Español performing the popular comedy *La nena se casa* (Our Little Girl is Getting Married) on Saturday, October 29, 7 PM in the Repertory Theater at Hostos Community College. Called “acerbic with biting wit,” *La nena se casa* is a satirical indictment of the vanity, superficiality and desperation of Puerto Rico’s upper classes. *La nena se casa* was just recently retired from Repertorio Español’s regular rotation, and the Hostos performance is the only performance currently scheduled of this popular play which will be performed in Spanish with English surtitles above the stage

Tickets for *La nena se casa* are \$15 with discounted student tickets at \$5, and are available through www.hostoscenter.org or by calling (718) 518-4455. The Box Office window is open Monday through Friday, 1 PM to 4 PM, and two hours prior to events. The Center is located on the campus of Hostos Community College, 450 Grand Concourse in the Bronx, just steps from the 149th/Grand Concourse subway station.

La nena se casa was written by the prolific playwright Carlos Ferrari in 1986 and premiered by his theater company Nuestro Teatro in San Juan, Puerto Rico. The work debuted at Repertorio Español in September 2013 in a production directed by José Zayas. Subtitled “Comedia cruel en dos actos” (A Cruel Comedy in Two Acts), the play centers on a father whose sole mission is to marry off his adult daughters to keep the family from slipping down a rung on the socioeconomic ladder. The cast includes: Wanda Arriaga (Raymonita), Dalia Davi (Brifimar), Hannia Guilen (Auriler), Sandor Juan (Wilfredo), Frank Robles (Juan), Jerry Soto (Tonito) and Gredivel Vasquez as Yanisoria.

José Zayas was born in Puerto Rico and graduated from Harvard and Carnegie Mellon Universities. He is co-Founder and Artistic Director of The Immediate Theater Company, and was recently named Resident Director of Repertorio Español. Zayas has also held directing residencies at the Ensemble Studio Theater and INTAR, where he served as co-producer of the 2006 New Works Theater. His credits for Repertorio include *En el tiempo de las mariposas* (In the Time of the Butterflies), and *La casa de los espíritus* (The House of Spirits).

Repertorio Español was founded in 1968 by Stage Director René Buch and the late Theatre Producer Gilberto Zaldívar, and has become one of the most successful Off-Broadway theatres. The Company was founded with the mission of producing the finest Spanish-language theatre from Latin America and Spain as well as plays written by Hispanic Americans. The Company presents a rotating repertory of 15 different plays, musicals and dance concerts in over 300 performances every year. Its productions are seen by over 50,000 people annually at its home, the historic Gramercy Arts Theatre and on tour. Every year, approximately 20,000 students are

introduced to the heritage of Spanish-language theatre through its education program, ¡DIGNIDAD!

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What: *La Nena Se Casa* performed by Repertorio Español (In Spanish with English Subtitles)

When: Saturday, October 29, 7 PM

Where: Repertory Theater

Hostos Center for the Arts and Culture

450 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York 10451

How much? \$15 (\$5 for student and Under 18)

Phone Number: 718-518-4455

Website: www.hostoscenter.org

Subway/Bus: IRT Trains 2, 4, 5 and Buses BX1, BX2, BX19 to 149th Street and Grand Concourse.

About the Hostos Center for the Arts & Culture

The Hostos Center for the Arts & Culture consists of a museum-grade art gallery, a 367-seat Repertory Theater, and a 900-seat Main Theater, presenting artists of national and international renown. It is easily accessible from Manhattan, Queens and New Jersey and is a mere 15 minutes by subway from midtown Manhattan.

About Hostos Community College

Hostos Community College is an educational agent for change, transforming and improving the quality of life in the South Bronx and neighboring communities since 1968. Hostos serves as a gateway to intellectual growth and socioeconomic mobility, and a point of departure for lifelong learning, success in professional careers, and transfer to advanced higher education programs. The College's unique "student success coach" program, which partners students with individualized guidance, is emblematic of the premier emphasis on student support and services.

Hostos offers 29 associate degree programs and 5 certificate programs that facilitate easy transfer to The City University of New York (CUNY) four-year colleges or baccalaureate studies at other institutions. The College has an award-winning Division of Continuing Education & Workforce Development that offers professional development courses and certificate-bearing workforce training programs. Hostos Community College is part of CUNY, the nation's leading urban public university serving more than 480,000 students at 24 colleges.