

**15th Annual Joint Mini-Conference  
Multicultural Books & Talent Fair**

***Bridge Over Troubled Waters:  
Libraries Empowering Communities***

**EVENT COMMITTEE**

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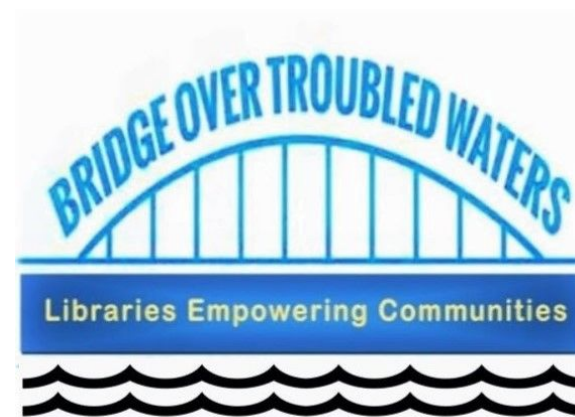
Evelyn Ray, Doreen "Asia" Headen, Nanette Sanchez-Velasquez  
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**Literary Work Exhibitors (LWE)**



The National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking  
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**Langston Hughes Community Library  
and Cultural Center  
Queens Public Library  
100-01 Northern Blvd.  
Corona, Queens, NY 11368**

**Friday  
May 10, 2019  
10:00 am - 4:00 pm**

**9:30 AM - 10:00 AM - Registration & Refreshments  
10:00 am - 4:00 pm - Multicultural Books & Talent Fair**

## MORNING PRESENTATIONS

### 10:00 AM - 10:05 AM WELCOME REMARKS

Evelyn Muriel-Cooper, President RNE Chapter 2018-2019  
Shakira Smalls, Executive Director of the Langston Hughes  
Community Library & Cultural Center

### 10:05 AM - 10:25 AM OPENING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Loida Garcia-Febo, ALA President 2018-2019

### 10:25 AM - 10:30 AM

Jairo Guzman, President at the Mexican Coalition for  
the Empowerment of Youth & Families, inc.

### 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM AUTHOR PANEL Q & A

*LAS MUSAS - The Growing Canon of Latinx KidsLit*

Moderator: Mia García

CR/YA Authors: Alexandra Villasante, Emma Otheguy,  
Hilda Eunice Burgos, Mia García

### 11:00 AM - 11:20 AM GUEST AUTHOR

Anika Aldamuy Denise "*Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian  
and Storyteller Pura Belpré*"

### 11:20 AM - 12:00 PM MULTICULTURAL BOOK BUZZ PART 1

- ❑ Educa Vision, Inc.
- ❑ Kol-Ami, Inc/SISU Home Entertainment
- ❑ Lectorum Publications
- ❑ Rosen Publishing

### 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM LUNCH BREAK & NETWORKING, EXHIBITS - GROUP PHOTO.

### 12:45 PM - 1:00 PM RNE AWARDS CEREMONY

Evelyn Muriel-Cooper, RNE Chapter President 2018/19

- ❑ Judith Rivas Mini-Grant
- ❑ Lillian Marrero Scholarship
- ❑ Ismael Alicea Professional Development Award



## AFTERNOON PRESENTATIONS

### 1:00 PM - 1:20 PM

Shauntee Burns-Simpson, NYPL

*What's on the Menu? How to Serve Resources to Your Community*

### 1:20 PM - 1:40 PM

Miriam Tuliao, Penguin Random House

Hong Yao, QPL

*Empowering Communities through Culinary Stories*

### 1:40 PM - 2:00 PM GUEST AUTHOR

Elizabeth García "*Resilience: A Memoir - The Journey*"

### 2:00 PM - 2:20 PM

Herbert Norat, NYPL

Dawn Holloway, NYPL

*The NYPL Book Box Project*

### 2:20 PM - 2:40 PM

Ana Torres, NYU Libraries

Morrell McClurkin, NYU Libraries

*Coming from behind the Service Desk in Support of Diversity*

### 2:40 PM - 3:00 PM

Tania María Rios Marrero, Lillian Marrero Free Library, PA

*Community Mobilizes at the Library in the aftermath of Hurricane  
Irma/Maria.*

### 3:00 PM - 3:20 PM BREAK & NETWORKING, EXHIBITS.

### 3:20 PM - 3:50 PM MULTICULTURAL BOOK BUZZ PART 2

- ❑ Educa Vision, Inc.
- ❑ Kol-Ami, Inc./SISU Home Entertainment
- ❑ Lectorum Publications, Inc.

### 3:50 PM - 4:00 PM CLOSING REMARKS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

#### RAFFLE

- ❑ Evelyn Muriel-Cooper, RNE President 2018-2019
- ❑ Adriana Blancarte-Hayward, RNE President 2019-2020
- ❑ Mary Marques, Chair of RNE Leadership Institute 2019-2020