

The Solo Takes On 3 Festival and the Teatro Latina/o Series present:

I Was The Voice of Democracy

A solo performance by

Brian Herrera

All performances will be in
Swain Hall, Studio 6.

8 pm Fri. Feb. 3

7 pm Sat. Feb. 4

2 pm Sun. Feb 5

"I Was The Voice of Democracy" is an hour-long, solo performance that recalls the true story of a 17 year old kid who is briefly thrust into a peculiar kind of fame when a patriotic speech he writes on a whim ends up winning a national contest. Through autobiographical storytelling, this one man show offers a mix of analysis and anecdote (both hilarious and heartbreaking) as Brian puzzles through the memories, mementos and artifacts that comprise the archive of his own teenage experience. By turns comedic and contemplative (and told in style that is equal parts David Sedaris and Spalding Gray), Brian Herrera's "I Was the Voice of Democracy" asks whether we ever really stop being the person we once were.

Brian Eugenio Herrera is, by turns, a writer, teacher and scholar presently based (and forever rooted) in New Mexico. Since 2007, Brian has been Assistant Professor in the Department of Theatre and Dance at the University of New Mexico, where he teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in World Theatre History and Performance Theory. His work, both creative and academic, explores the formation of gender, sexual and racial identities in and through U.S. popular performance.

Tickets to each performance in the Solo Takes On 3 Festival are \$5 for students and seniors and \$10 for general admission. A Solo Pass, good for admission to all performances in the festival, is \$10 for students and \$20 for general admission. For information on the festival schedule, to purchase tickets or to make reservations visit the Student Union Box Office or call 919-962-1449. For more information on the Teatro Latina/o Series visit: www.teatrolatinoseries.com

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