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CATS, MACLA/MOVIMIENTO DE ARTE Y CULTURA LATINO AMERICANA & PIN@Y COMMUNITY VENTURE PRESENT THE PREMIERE OF DREAM CYPHER

San Jose, California – April 16-18, 2004 - San Jose based organizations Contemporary Asian Theater Scene (CATS), MACLA/Movimiento de Arte y Cultura Latino Americana, and Pin@y Community Venture (PCV) collaborate to present the premiere of Dream Cypher, a production by up and coming playwrights Tony Santa Ana and Lorenz Dumuk. This story explores the mind of Ilawan, a young teenager. In his room, events and objects cause him to reflect on issues of identity, family, love and spirituality. He imagines these dilemmas through various forms of performance art. Through his inner journey, Ilawan discovers the answers to his own questions.

Dream Cypher showcases a talented cast of emerging local artists. This multimedia production utilizes elements of live music, poetry, dance, song and digital video. Parts of the narrative are written by the playwrights, however all actors have written and performed their own poetic pieces. The aim of this production is to tap into new, local talent and push the limits of theater.

Performance Dates and Ticket Information

Castellano Playhouse, MACLA/Movimiento de Arte y Cultura Latino Americana 510 South 1st Street, San Jose, CA
Opening Gala – Friday, April 16, 2004, 8PM (\$18)

Saturday, April 17, 2004, 2PM & 8PM (\$12), Sunday, April 18, 2004, 2PM (\$12)

Tickets & Info: www.dreamcypher.com



Dream Cypher is made possible by the unique collaboration of CATS, MACLA/Movimiento de Arte y Cultura Latino Americana, and PCV.

About CATS-

CATS (Contemporary Asian Theater Scene) is a San Jose based, non-profit organization committed to presenting Asian Pacific American arts in Silicon Valley, by providing high quality, thought provoking, educational, and innovative programming which communicates Asian Pacific American experiences to all communities.

CATS is funded by the city of San Jose; Arts Council Silicon Valley; California Arts Council; Community Foundation Silicon Valley; Applied Materials, Lucia Cha, our generous donors, volunteers, and audience.

www.asiantheater.org

About MACLA/Movimiento de Arte y Cultura Latino Americana -

MACLA/Movimiento de Arte y Cultura Latino Americana is an energizing contemporary arts space where Latino artists create and showcase new work in the visual, literary, and performance arts to help define, interpret, and transform society.

MACLA/Movimiento de Arte y Cultura Latino Americana gratefully recognizes support from the following: The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts the David & Lucile Packard Foundation, the City of San Jose, Arts Council Silicon Valley, the Castellano Family Foundation, and MACLA members.

www.maclaarte.org

About PCV-

Pin@y Community Venture (PCV), read "Pinay/Pinoy Community Venture," the organization of community leaders came together to enhance the community consciousness of the Pilipino community. The symbol "@" represents the combination of "a" from "Pinay" or female Pilipina, and "o" from "Pinoy" or male Pilipino. As a symbol of technology and progress, this Pin@y Generation inspires collective action for personal growth and social transformation. The organization serves as a support network and a resource guide for Pilipino American community workers throughout the nation with a community base in the Bay Area.