

# Latinx Creators

## Nonfiction and Biographies

### Nonfiction

Alarcón, Francisco X. *Iguanas in the Snow and Other Winter Poems\** (811 ALA). Poems celebrating winter in California.

Arce, Julissa. *Someone Like Me: How One Undocumented Girl Fought for Her American Dream\** (305.488 ARC). Julissa Arce explores her days in Mexico separated from her parents and her daily fears while growing up undocumented in Texas.

Brimner, Larry Dane and Maya Christina Gonzalez. *Without Separation: Prejudice, Segregation, and the Case of Roberto Alvarez* (379.263 BRI). The real-life events of the 1931 Superior Court of California school desegregation case of Roberto Alvarez v. the Board of Trustees of the Lemon Grove School District.

Engle, Margarita. *Dreams from Many Rivers: A Hispanic History of the United States Told in Poems* (811 ENG). From Juana Briones and Juan Ponce de León, to eighteenth century enslaved people and modern-day sixth graders, the many and varied lives depicted in this moving narrative speak to the experiences and contributions of Latinos throughout the history of the U.S. Also by Margarita Engle: *Bravo! Poems about Amazing Hispanics* (920.009 ENG) and *Enchanted Air: Two Cultures, Two Wings: A Memoir* (811 ENG).

Ferrada, María José. *Niños: Poems for the Lost Children of Chile* (861.7 FER). This collection explores the hopes of the thirty-four children disappeared and killed during Augusto Pinochet's regime in Chile.

García Esperón, María. *The Sea-Ringed World: Sacred Stories of the Americas\** (398.2 GAR). A collection of stories from nations and cultures across the American continents—the Sea-Ringed World, as the Aztecs called it—from the Andes all the way up to Alaska.

Gerster, Michelle and Gricelda. *Travesía: A Migrant Girl's Cross-Border Journey = el viaje de una joven migrante* (305.906 GER). This bilingual graphic memoir tells the story of Gricelda, a fifteen-year-old Mexican girl who crosses the border into America with her mother and younger brother in search of a better life.

\* This title is also available in Spanish in the Kids World Language section.

Hear My Voice/*Escucha mi voz: The Testimonies of Children Detained at the Southern Border of the United States* (305.906 HEA). Every day, children in migration are detained at the US-Mexico border. They are scared, alone, and their lives are in limbo. This book shares, in Spanish and English, their unique stories.

Herrera, Juan Felipe. *Jabberwalking* (808.1 HER). How to view the world like a poet! "Jabberwalking" poets draw inspiration from everything they experience to express themselves in creative ways. Also by Juan Felipe Herrera: *Portraits of Hispanic American Heroes* (973.046 HER).

Imery-Garcia, Ash. *Loreta Janeta Velázquez: Cuban Confederate Soldier* (973.7 IME). Harry Buford was a respected Confederate soldier who fought in four major battles during the Civil War and later became a double agent. However, Lieutenant Buford was actually Loreta Janeta Velázquez, a Cuban woman.

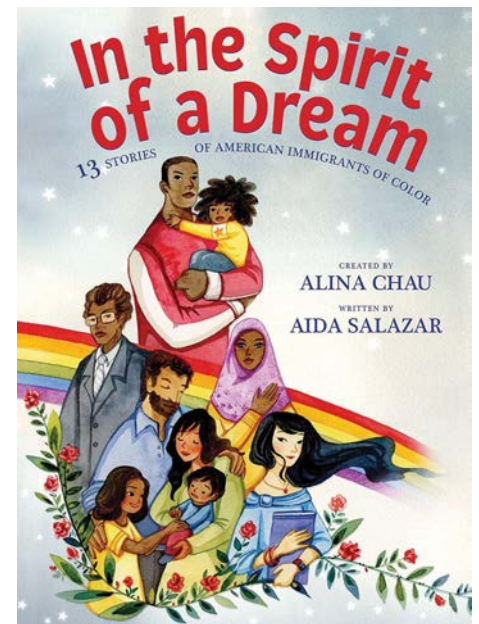
Manzano, Sonia. *A World Together* (307 MAN). Lyrical prose combined with stunning photography of people from dozens of countries around the world explores how all of our lives are enriched by our geographic and cultural diversity.

Menéndez, Juliet. *Latinitas: Celebrating 40 Big Dreamers\** (920.72 MEN). A celebration of Latinas and Latin American women who followed their dreams, with portraits and short bios.

Mills, Deborah and Alfredo Alva. *La Frontera: El viaje con papá = My Journey with Papa* (375.272 MIL). Join a young boy and his father on a daring journey from Mexico to Texas to find a new life.

Mora, Pat. *My Magic Wand: Growing with the Seasons* (811 MOR). Poems that celebrate family, childhood experiences, and the pure pleasure a young girl feels as she grows and learns all year long.

Robbins, Dean and Eric Velasquez. *Mambo Mucho Mambo!: The Dance That Crossed Color Lines\** (793.3 ROB). In 1940s New York City, Italians danced to jazz, Puerto Ricans danced to Latin songs, and they were forbidden to dance together... until a band and a ballroom broke the rules. Machito and His Afro-Cubans hit the scene with a brand-new sound of Latin jazz, then the Palladium Ballroom issued a bold challenge to segregation and opened to all.



Rosenstock, Barb and Erika Meza. *The Mystery of the Monarchs: How Kids, Teachers, and Butterfly Fans Helped Fred and Norah Urquhart Track the Great Monarch Migration* (595.789 ROS). An entomologist and his wife solve the mysteries of monarch butterfly migration with the help of schoolchildren in the U.S., Mexico, and Canada.

Salazar, Aida. *In the Spirit of a Dream: 13 Stories of American Immigrants of Color* (920 SAL). Many immigrants set out across continents, oceans, and borders, traveling to the U.S. in pursuit of opportunity.

Sanchez, Anita. *Hello, Puddle!* (577.636 SAN). A normal everyday puddle may not seem very special, but animals and people alike can find respite and joy in it!

Tonatiuh, Duncan. *Feathered Serpent and the Five Suns: A Mesoamerican Creation Myth* (398.2 TON). This pre-Columbian creation myth tells the story of Quetzalcoatl, one of the most important deities in ancient Mesoamerica. Also by Duncan Tonatiuh: *Separate is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez & Her Family's Fight for Desegregation* (379.263 TON).

Valladolid, Marcela. *Cocinado on Cook Street: A Collection of Mi Familia's Recipes* (641.597 VAL). Chef Marcela Valladolid's children's cookbook leads readers through the magic and legacy of her family recipes.

Vourvoulia, Sabrina. *Nuestra América: 30 Inspiring Latinas/Latinos Who Have Shaped the United States\** (920.009 VOU). From the Smithsonian Latino Center, *Nuestra América* highlights the inspiring stories of thirty Latina/o/xs throughout history and their incredible contributions to the cultural, social, and political character of the United States.

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### Libros en Español

Alarcón, Francisco X. *Family Poems for Every Day of the Week* (811 ALA).

Ak'abal, Humberto. *Aquí era el paraíso/ Here Was Paradise: selección de poemas de Humberto Ak'abal* (861 AKA).

Armengol, David. *Esto es arte: las obras que tienes que conocer para descifrar el mundo* (709 ARM).

Bertrand, Diane Gonzales. *Taco Magician and Other Poems for Kids* (811 BER).

Cívico, Irene. *Las chicas van donde quieren: 25 aventureras que cambiaron el mundo* (940.72 CIV).

Díaz, Gloria Cecilia. *Cuentos y leyendas de América Latina* (398.2 DIA) y *El árbol que arrulla y otros poemas* (811 DIA).

Espino del Castillo, Alejandra. *Mis pies tienen raíz: mujeres del mundo de habla hispana* (920.72 ESP).

Fernández, Pedro J. *Había una vez mexicanas que hicieron historia* (920.72 FER, serie).

Granero, Nono. *Tarde en el acuario* (811 GRA).

Hernández, José M. *From Farmworker to Astronaut: My Path to The Stars= De campesino a astronauta : mi viaje a las estrellas* (629.4 HER).

Martínez, Rueben. *Once Upon a Time: Traditional Latin American Tales = Había una vez: cuentos tradicionales latinoamericanos* (398.2 MAR).

Naranja, Miki. *Érase una pez: pequeños poemas para niños grandes* (811 NAR).

Oihaneder Pérez, Aizpea. *La cocina es tuya: pequeña escuela de la vida con el hematocrítico* (641.3 OIH).

Pérez-Duarte Berra, Mariana. *Familiario* (306.85 PER).

Reich, Susanna and Raúl Colón. *¡José! nacido para bailar : la historia de José LIMÓN\** (B LIMON).

Remussi, Diego. *Leyendas de los Incas, Mayas y Aztecas: contadas para niños y Leyendas de los mapuches: contadas para niños* (398.2 REM).

Ródenas, Antonia. *Érase una vez... cinco historias en papel* (861 ROD).

Santana, Gabriela. *Mitología mexicana para niños* (398.2 SAN).

### Biographies

*Path to the Stars: My Journey from Girl Scout to Rocket Scientist* (Sylvia ACEVEDO).

*The Flying Girl: How Aida de ACOSTA Learned to Soar\**.

*Island Treasures: Growing up in Cuba* (Alma Flor ADA).

*Alicia ALONSO Dances On*.

*Nacho's Nachos: The Story Behind the World's Favorite Snack* (ANAYA).

*Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura BELPRE\** and *Pura's Cuentos: How Pura BELPRE Reshaped Libraries With Her Stories*.

*Dancing Hands: How Teresa CARREÑO Played the Piano for President Lincoln\**.

*Small Room, Big Dreams: The Journey of Julián and Joaquín CASTRO\**.

*CLEMENTE!* (Roberto CLEMENTE).

*Celia CRUZ, Queen of Salsa*.

*Sing, Don't Cry* (Apolinar Navarrete DIAZ).

*ESQUIVEL! Space-Age Sound Artist\**.

*Pope FRANCIS: Builder of Bridges*.

*How to Hear the Universe: Gaby GONZÁLEZ and the Search for Einstein's Ripples in Space-Time*.

*Digging for Words: José Alberto GUTIÉRREZ and the Library He Built*.

*Danza! Amalia HERNÁNDEZ and el Ballet Folklórico de México*.

*I Got This: To Gold and Beyond* (Laurie HERNANDEZ).

*Imagine\** (Juan Felipe HERRERA).

*Dolores HUERTA: A Hero to Migrant Workers*.

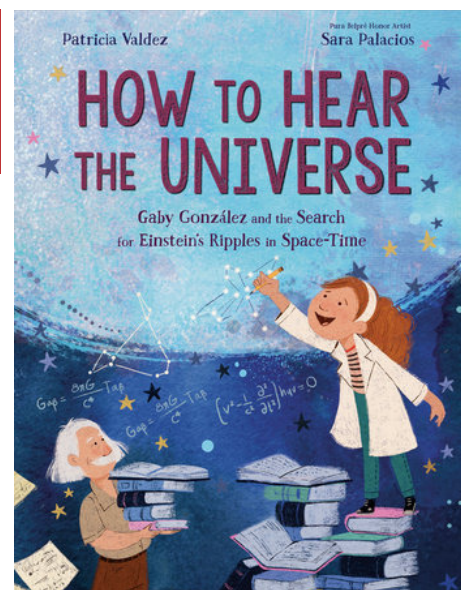
*Child of the Flower-Song People: Luz JIMÉNEZ, Daughter of the Naha*.

*Frida KAHLO and her Animalitos*.

*Becoming Maria: Love and Chaos in the South Bronx* (Sonia MANZANO).

*My Name is Gabito: The Life of Gabriel García MÁRQUEZ\**.

*MARTÍ'S Song for Freedom = Martí y sus versos por la libertad*.



*The Girl from Chime!l* (Rigoberta MENCHÚ).

*Mario and the Hole in the Sky: How a Chemist Saved our Planet* (MOLINA).

*Areli is a Dreamer: A True Story* (MORALES)\*.

*A Girl Named Rosita: The Story of Rita MORENO: Actor, Singer, Dancer, Trailblazer!\**

*Pablo NERUDA: Poet of the People*.

*Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez: Get to Know the Rising Politician*.

*Little People, Big Dreams: Pablo PICASSO*.

*Funny Bones: POSADA and His Day of the Dead Calaveras*.

*Tito PUENTE, Mambo King = Tito Puente, Rey del Mambo\**.

*Diego RIVERA: His World and Ours*.

*Soldier for Equality: José de la Luz SÁENZ and the Great War*.

*When Angels Sing: The Story of Rock Legend Carlos SANTANA*.

*SELENA: Queen of Tejano Music\* and Sing with Me: The Story of SELENA Quintanilla*.

*My Corner of the Ring: A Memoir from a Champ* (Jesselyn SILVA).

*The Beloved World of Sonia SOTOMAYOR\*, She Persisted: Sonia SOTOMAYOR, and Turning Pages: My Life Story\**.

*Sharuko: Peruvian Archaeologist Julio C. TELLO = El arqueólogo Peruano Julio C. TELLO\**.

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