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The **Bronx Writers Center** has announced that Charlie Vázquez — author, editor, publisher, and the New York organizer for

Puerto Rico's Festival de la Palabra literary celebration—has been named as its new director.

BWC serves the borough with workshops, consultations, book presentations, and the Bronx Recognizes Its Own (BRIO) Awards (announced each June), and is the literary department of the Bronx Council on the Arts.

“I’m thrilled to bring all of my experience to the Bronx because it inspires me more than any other place in the world—it’s where I was born and raised. I feel honored to be able to serve my people, to help launch new and serious writers of fiction and poetry,” says Vázquez.

The Bronx Writers Center supports and develops the appetite for writing and reading in the Bronx, and searches for and promotes new community voices and audiences via literary and literacy programs.

The Bronx Council on the Arts is celebrating 50 years as a private, non-profit membership organization that is the official cultural agency of Bronx County. BCA provides an array of services to 5,000 artists and more than 250 arts and community-based organizations.

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