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**Bronx Council on the Arts presents *Maria Montez Queen of Technicolor*  
A One-Woman Show Written and Performed by Dalia Davi  
7:00pm, Monday, October 3, 2011 at Pregones Theater**

(Bronx, NY – September 15, 2011) The Bronx Council on the Arts and Pregones Theater present *Maria Montez Queen of Technicolor*, a one woman show written and performed by Dalia Davi and directed by Padraic Lillis. The 7:00pm performance will take place at Pregones Theater (571-575 Walton Avenue, off the Grand Concourse at 149th Street). Admission: \$10 suggested donation. All are welcome. Pregones is wheelchair accessible.

***Maria Montez Queen of Technicolor*** is Dalia Davi's one-woman multi-media show about an "unnamed" South Bronx actress who becomes possessed by the spirit of film star Maria Montez, the first Dominican leading lady to conquer 1940s Hollywood. Davi alternates between story-telling, two short films and photo projections. There will be an after-the performance talkback.

***Maria Montez*** was a Dominican-born motion picture actress who gained fame and popularity in the 1940s as an exotic beauty. Her screen image was that of a hot-blooded Latin seductress, dressed in fanciful costumes and sparkling jewels. She became so identified with these adventure epics that she became known as "The Queen of Technicolor," appearing in 26 films throughout her career.

**Dalia Davi** is an award-winning Hispanic-American actress, writer, producer and community activist from the South Bronx. She is committed to performing and producing theater and films to raise social awareness, inspire educational growth within her community, and continue to evolve her artistic identity. Dalia can currently be seen in the Spanish TV mini-series "El Don" for Telemicro International. Dalia Davi received two Hola Awards, an Ace Award nominee for "Best Upcoming Actress" was awarded an individual artist grant for her one-woman show, from the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs Greater New York Fund and Bronx Council on the Arts. This production was developed with support from Pregones Theater, a Bronx-based ensemble, and its ASAP/Artist Space at Pregones, funded by Time Warner Inc. For more on Dalia Davi, visit [www.daliadavi.com](http://www.daliadavi.com) and [www.facebook.com/pretendingtobe](http://www.facebook.com/pretendingtobe).

**Directions:** Pregones Theater is located at 571-575 Walton Avenue, Bronx, NY 10451. By Subway, take the #2, 4 or 5 IRT trains to 149th Street and Grand Concourse. By Bus, Take the BX1 or BX19 to 149th Street and Grand Concourse. Walk 1 short block west on 149th street to Walton Avenue. Turn right on Walton Avenue. Theater is on Walton Avenue between 149th & 150th Streets. **Pregones Information:** 718-585-1202 or [www.pregones.org](http://www.pregones.org).

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