



Austin Latino Theater Alliance
"LA PASTORELA" 2008

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WHO: Austin Latino Theater Alliance (ALTA), www.lapastorela.org

WHAT: "La Pastorela" 2008

WHEN: December 4 through December 20, Thurs. through Sat., 8 p.m.

WHERE: Mexican American Cultural Center, 600 River Street, Austin, Texas 78701

ADMISSION: \$15 Adults/ \$8 Senior and Child Admission, Thursdays, Pay What You Wish

TICKETS: Austix, 512-474-TIXS (8497), www.austix.com or at the door before show.

Austin, TX- The 11th Anniversary Production of "La Pastorela" in Austin will be produced by the Austin Latino Theater Alliance. This year's show will be directed by Luis Ordaz of Proyecto Teatro, Austin's only all-Spanish theater company and consequently, "La Pastorela" goes all-Spanish.

"When I learned of the opportunity to direct this wonderful play, I jumped at the chance to bring an all-Spanish script I have been wanting to use for this production", said Ordaz, "I was part of last year's bilingual show and I can assure the audience that this version will be just as magical and for the non Spanish speakers, we will have subtitles for you but I doubt you will even need them".

"La Pastorela" is a comedy which tells the story of a group of shepherds trying to reach Bethlehem while they fend off the obstacles placed before them by the savvy devils.

"La Pastorela" opens on Thursday, December 4th and runs through Saturday, December 20th with performances from Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m. Thursdays is pay-what-you-wish nights. The December 12th presentation will be preceded by LUPE Arte's annual event, Virgen de Guadalupe Art Festival. This year LUPE Arte will host a Posada followed by the presentations and exhibits of the art created by the students of their *Niños y Arte* program during the Fall Semester and as always, a traditional Mexican holiday meal will be served. The Free Festival is open to the public at 6 p.m.

ALTA is a coalition of theater groups, arts organizations and individual artists dedicated to preserving Austin's premiere Yuletide production, "La Pastorela." ALTA members include LUPE Arte, Proyecto Teatro, and numerous individual artists.

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