

Opening Reception for Mexican Actor Sergio Ochoa and his one-man play, El Cuidador

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VENTANILAS De Salud of the Consulate General of Mexico in Los Angeles and Alzheimer's Greater Los Angeles (ALZGLA) hosted the opening reception for *El Cuidador*, the American debut of Sergio Ochoa's one man show about his mother, actress Leonorilda Ochoa, and their relationship, after her memories began to fade. Directed by Omar Medina, performed in Spanish and critically acclaimed during its Mexico City run, *El Cuidador* is presented by Alzheimer's Greater Los Angeles (ALZGLA) - www.alzgl.org as part of Hispanic Heritage Month activities.



Recent medical research indicates that on average, Hispanics are twice as likely to develop Alzheimer's and other cognitive impairment than white people, and nearly three times more likely than whites to develop early onset dementia (age 55-64). However, the Hispanic community is less likely to be familiar with symptoms and the availability of local resources for patient and caregiver assistance.



Adriana Argaiz, Consul for Community Affairs introduced the CEO & President of Alzheimer's Greater Los Angeles, Heather Cooper Ortner. Sergio Ochoa performed a part of El Cuidador, followed by a Q&A.

About Alzheimer's Greater Los Angeles

Alzheimer's Greater Los Angeles is the only local full-service, dementia-focused, nonprofit with 36 years of experience and 5 locations serving Greater Los Angeles and the Inland Empire. ALZGLA provides programs and services free of charge to individuals with Alzheimer's and related dementias, their families, caregivers and the community. Low cost training and education are also offered for professionals. Alzheimer's Greater Los Angeles began as an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit in 1981. 100% of all Alzheimer's Greater Los Angeles fundraising stays local, focusing on care, support, advocacy, and research across Greater Los Angeles and the Inland Empire.