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## GABRIELA MISTRAL FOUNDATION **HUMANITARIAN TO THE WORLD AWARD DINNER NEW YORK ATHLETIC CLUB**

**MARCH 22, 2012** 

**AWARDEES** MICHELLE BACHELET THE WALKABOUT FOUNDATION **MARIA GRASSO** 

#### **GABRIELA MISTRAL FOUNDATION ANNUAL DINNER**

HUMANITARIANS TO THE WORLD







In New York City, on Friday, March 23, 2012, more than 150 guests gathered at the New York Athletic Club for the

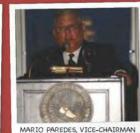
Gabriela Mistral Foundation's Annual Dinner "Humanitarians to the World." A special tribute and award was presented to President Michelle

Bachelet, Executive Director of UN Women for her leadership and humanitarian work on behalf of the women of the world. Special recognitions were presented to the Walkabout Foundation for their humanitarian work on behalf of the

people of the world with "limited mobility," and to Mrs. Maria Grasso for her generous and continued support of the Gabriela Mistral Foundation. On this occasion the Gabriela Mistral Foundation also celebrated its fifth anniversary.







## **ESSAY CONTEST COLEGIO INSULAR ROBINSON CRUSOE**

**JUAN FERNANDEZ** 

IN COLLABORATION WITH THE **ALEXANDER SELKIRK FOUNDATION** 

**MARCH 2012** 

#### **GABRIELA MISTRAL FOUNDATION FILM PRESENTATION**

COLEGIO INSULAR "ROBINSON CRUSOE" ESSAY CONTEST - MARCH 2012





LEFT: HONOREE PRESIDENT MICHELLE BACHELET, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, UN

ABOVE: HONOREES MARIA GRASSO, PRESIDENT MICHELLE BACHELET &

#### Essay Contest "Colegio Insular Robinson Crusoe"

The village of San Juan Bautista on Robinson Crusoe--the largest island of the Juan Fernandez archipelago--has a population of around 800 people and is Chile, organized an english essay the only settlement. It is also home to the only school for about 130 students from 1st to 12th grade. As a way of teaching students to find a way to express themselves through writing the was held in March 2012.

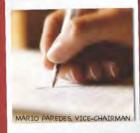
Alexander Selkirk Foundation, under the direction of the Hon. Jon Benjamin, Ambassador of the United Kingdom to contest for the students of "Colegio Insular Robinson Crusoe." The contest took place at the end of the 2011 academic year and the award ceremony

The awards were provided b the Instituto Chileno Britanico in Chile and the Gabriela Mistral Foundation donated the book "My name is Gabriela/Mi nombre es Gabriela" as part of the awards.

Ambassador Benjamin attended the award ceremony.









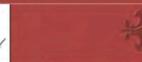
## FINDING GABRIELA POETRY CONTEST AWARD CEREMONY WASHINGTON DC

PRESENTED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE IN-SERIES

**APRIL 22, 2012** 

#### "FINDING GABRIELA DC POETRY CONTEST"







APRIL 22, 2012





WINNERS OF THE 3RD. ANNUAL "FINDING GABRIELA" DC POETRY CONTEST AWARD CEREMONY

#### FINDING GABRIELA DC POETRY AWARD CEREMONY

On Sunday, April 22, 2012, in Washington DC more than 50 guests and participants braved a cold and rainy day to attend the 3rd, Annual "Finding Gabriela". DC Poetry Contest Award Ceremony. Once inside it felt like a beautiful warm and sunny day as we enjoyed the presence and participation of the young men and women who took part in this annual event. Special guests included Nicolas Bär, Cultural Attaché of the Embassy of Chile in Washington DC. Roberto Brodsky, visiting professor at Georgetown University, Julia Ernst of the Youth Orchestra of the Americas, the judges and family members of the participants.

The annual contest is sponsored by the In Series, the Embassy of Chile in WDC, the Embassy of El Salvador in WDC, the Humanities Council of WDC, Commission on the Arts an Humanities and the Gabriela Mistral Foundation. The Gabriela Mistral Foundation Award was presented to Victoria Rios for her Joem "Riesgos de Frontera." The contest also awards: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, prize for the 3 age group categories: No. 1: ages 12-15; No. 2: ages 16-18 and No. 3: ages 19-23; and for each group a "Judges Award" and a "Collected Poems Award."

The programme, under the director of Carla Hubner, included a special performance of a selection of songs of Latin America performed brilliantly by artists of the production "Latin Heart."

The Gabariela Mistral Foundation is honoured to be a co-sponsor of this wonderful initiative.









## DONATION OF AN ORIGINAL PRINT OF GABRIELA MISTRAL BY RAUL HERMOSILLA TO SALA GABRIELA MISTRAL, PALACIO LA MONEDA, CHILE

PRESENTED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE ROSENTHAL HERMOSILLA FAMILY

**JULY 10, 2012** 









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#### DONATION TO THE SALA GABRIELA MISTRAL, PALACIO DE LA MONEDA

On July 10, 2012 at a special ceremony for the occasion, held at Palacio de La Moneda, Chile, Mrs. Gloria Garafulich-Grabois, director of the Gabriela Mistral Foundation presented a donation to the Patrimony of the Republic of Chile of a framed print of Gabriela Mistral by Chilean printmaker and poet, Carlos Hermosilla (1905-1991), and a commemoratory plaque to the First Lady of Chile Mrs. Cecilia Morel. In order to comply with the regulations, the Republic of Chile recorded and published a resolution formalizing this important donation. The print was a donation to the Foundation by Mrs. Liliana Hermosilla Rosenthal, niece of the artist, from her personal collection. In this print, the artist was able to convey Gabriela Mistral's sensibility, sorrow and at the same time her frailness and strength. This print will be exhibited permanently in the "Sala Gabriela Mistral" at Palacio de La Moneda, where it will be admired by the thousands of people who tour the "House of Chile" on a yearly basis. The plaque will be displayed at the entrance of room.

The First Lady in her remarks noted the importance and relevance of Gabriela Mistral, not only in Chile but also around the world and expressed her most sincere appreciation to the Gabriela Mistral Foundation for this generous gesture.

The donation ceremony was attended by representatives of various literary organizations in Chile, poets and writers as well as Mrs. Magdalena Krebs the Director of Libraries and Museums of Chile, Pedro Pablo Zegers, curator of the Gabriela Mistral legacy. The event included a reading of Gabriela Mistral's "Sonnets of Death" by Mr. Raul Zurita, poet and National Prize of Literature and a showing of the Gabriela Mistral Foundation's documentary "Gabriela Mistral Her Ille, her legacy."



FIRST LADY MRS. CECILIA MOREL, MAGDALENA KREBS AND GLORIA GARAFULICH-GRABOIS



PRINT & PLAQUE



POETRY READING

## DONATION TO THE CHILDREN & YOUTH ORCHESTRAS OF CHILE

## PRESENTED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE HILDEGARD BEHRENS FOUNDATION

**JULY 12, 2012** 

#### "YOUTH & CHILDREN ORCHESTRAS OF CHILE"







Gabriela Mistral

**AUGUST 15, 2012** 

LEFT: DR. GASTÓN ORMAZÁBAL PRESENTS THE "2012 HUMANITARIAN LEADERSHIP AWARD" TO MRS. CECILIA MOREL, FIRST LADY OF CHILE ON JULY 17, 2012



#### Donation to the Youth & Children Orchestras of Chile

The Hildegard Behrens Foundation presided by Dr. Gastón Ormazábal, in a joint project with the Gabriela Mistral Foundation, presented Fundación de Orquestas Juveniles e Infantiles de Chile (FOJI) the "2012 Humanitarian Leadership Award." In his remarks, Dr. Ormazábal "recognized the great humanitarian contributions of FOJI to the young people of his native Chile, and their work in helping them develop into leaders in their communities."

The award was presented by Dr. Ormazábal to Ms. Cecilia Morel, First Lady of Chile and President of FOJI and Ms. Maritza Parada, Executive Director at a special ceremony held at Palacio de La Moneda on July 17, 2012. The ceremony also included a special performance by Alonso Urrutia, a young Chilean musician.

The **Hildegard Behrens Foundation** was founded in honour of the great German dramatic soprano and it was launched in August 2010 by Dr. Ormazábal, a long time friend of the legendary opera singer. The Foundation makes financial contributions to institutions that promote music, the arts and humanitarian causes in commemoration of Ms. Behrens' artistic legacy: perfect architecture of the musical phrase, complete classical training in the historical context of Western civilization, and deep humanity.

The Gabriela Mistral Foundation is grateful to Dr. Ormazábal and the Hildegard Behrens Foundation for their invitation to participate in this important project.





DR. ORMAZÁBAL, GLORIA GARAFULICH-GRABOIS AND THE FIRST LADY



MARITZA PARADA, DR. GASTÓN ORMAZÁBAL AND THE FIRST LADY



ALONSO URRUTIA, VIOLONCELLO

## MUSIC TRANSFORMING LIVES **2012 CHILE TOUR OF THE YOUTH ORCHESTRA OF THE AMERICAS**

PRESENTED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE YOUTH ORCHESTRA OF THE **AMERICAS** 

**JULY 2012** 

#### YOUTH ORCHESTRA OF THE AMERICAS - 2012 CHILE TOUR







**AUGUST 4, 2012** 





PERFORMS IN LA SERENA

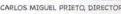
#### 2012 Chile Tour "Music Transforming Lives"

The Gabriela Mistral Foundation is proud and honoured to have been the only Chilean organization in the United States to sponsor the Youth Orchestra of the America's 2012 Chile Tour. A donation made by the Foundation, made it possible to sponsor close to a thousand guests --children and seniors in need-- to attend concerts throughout Chile during the month of July. Concerts were held in Vicuña, La Serena, Valparaíso, Santiago, Temuco, Concepción and Frutillar. The concerts were performed after a two week residency in the northern city of La Serena where the orchestra honoured lorge Peña Hen, and worked with Chilean composer Juan Orrego Salas. Founded in 2001, the Youth Orchestra of the Americas-guided by Artistic Advisor Plácido Domingo and Musical Director Carlos Miguel Prieto-- is a multicultural, world-class symphony orchestra of 85 gifted young musicians, ages 18-30 from more than 20 countries. In Chile they were joined by 10 musicians, Mrs. Gloria Garafulich-Grabois, Director of the Gabriela Mistral Foundation travelled to Chile to attend part of the concert series. She reports that in "La Serena over 2,500 guests packed the Coliseum and the applause and roar of the people was deafening, moving and brought tears of joy. The same reaction was repeated in the 3 subsequent concerts I attended. It was moving to see the guests listening to the orchestra perform pieces by Shostakovich, Bach, Orrego Salas, Sibelius and others . . . for most of the people this was their first concert ever, but one that will likely be remembered always ... an experience of pure joy and for some young students inspiration and encouragement to pursue music!"

The Gabriela Mistral Foundation is grateful to Ms. Hilda Ochoa-Brillembourg, Chairman of the Youth Orchestra of the Americas and the Board of Directors, specially Dr. Gaston Ormazábal for inviting us to participate as a sponsor of this wonderful









# THE GABRIELA MISTRAL FOUNDATION SPONSORS CHILEAN SOPRANO, ELISA CORDOVA AT THE 2012 INTERNATIONAL VOCAL COMPETITION NEW YORK

**OCTOBER 2012** 







OCTOBER 22, 2012

#### The **Gabriela Mistral Foundation** sponsors Chilean Soprano Elisa Cordova 2012 International Vocal Competition



ELISA CORDOVA



The Gabriela Mistral Foundation is honored to have sponsored Chilean Soprano, Elisa Cordova in the 2012 International Vocal Competition organized by New Tang Dynasty Television, a non profit media organization serving Chinese speakers all over the world by providing quality cultural programming, high-quality news and entertainment via satellite broadcast to over 100 million viewers.

The Vocal Competition is one of a series nine different competitions to promote cultural understanding between the East and the West. The aim of this competition is to promote traditional vocal arts of pure authenticity, pure goodness and pure beauty as well as providing a world-class arena for all vocalists to showcase their talents. This is the first year that the Vocal Competition is open to non-Chinese vocalists. Opera singers from around the world, will have to perform, not only the greatest operatic works in Italian. French or German, but also sing a classical Chinese song.

Ms. Cordova, a Chilean born soprano residing in New York, has been described by London critics as "sensational, sweet voiced and ebullient." She is making her mark both in the U.S. and abroad. She trained at the Eastman School of Music, Tri-Cities Opera. She has performed among others: Norina in Don Pasquale; Antonia in Les Contes d'Hoffman: Despina in Cosi fan tutte; Monica in The Medium; Mabel in The Pirates of Penzance and Adele in Die Fledermaus as well as Zarzuelas and off-Broadway "Play/Opera." The Music Teacher. Ms. Cordova went on to make her London West End debut, perforning the role of Maria in the European tour of West Side Story to great critical acclaim.

Ms. Cordova was interviewed by NTDTV before the preliminaries.

The Gabriela Mistral Foundation congratulates Ms. Cordova for representing Chile and our foundation during this competition and for placing in among 19 semi-finalists of an initial group of over 600 participants.

Ms. Lili Zhang and Mr.Tang Li met with Mrs. Gloria Garafulich-Grabois at NTD Television studios to go over the competition sponsorship





## DONATION OF MISTRALIAN CORNERS FOR PUBLIC

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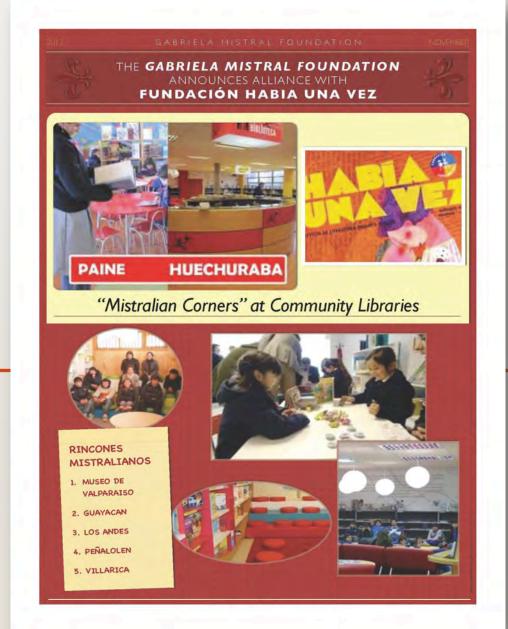
3-LOS ANDES

4-PEÑALOLÉN

5-VILLARRICA

IN COLLABORATION WITH FUNDACION HABIA UNA VEZ

**NOVEMBER 2012** 





### DONATION OF READING GLASSES FOR INTERNS IN CHILEAN JAILS

IN COLLABORATION WITH FUNDACION HABIA UNA VEZ

**NOVEMBER 2012** 









DECEMBER 2012





#### The Gabriela Mistral Foundation donates Reading Glasses to Chile

Continuing with our mission to promote reading in Chile, in cooperation with the NJLERC of Lions International and in response to a great need and a request received from Fundacion Habia Una Vez in Chile, the Gabriela Mistral Foundation is donating 225 reading glasses of different strengths to Chile.

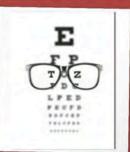
These reading glasses will be distributed to people in rural areas who greatly needed and, in a pilot program of Fundacion Habia Una Vez through which they have opened the first 3 libraries in penal facilities, some of these glasses will be distributed to inmates who are able to read but cannot read because they do not see. These pilot program was established as part of the rehabilitation program and its goal is to encourage inmates to read and better their opportunities for when they leave these facilities.

We are grateful to Fundacion Habia Una Vez for having brought this need to our attention and to NJLERC for their generosity and willingness to help us accomplish this project.

This Christmas Season we are happy to be able to give the gift of sight to 225 people in Chile.

We encourage you to continue to support our work which will allow us to continue to make a difference in the lives of those who need our help.











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