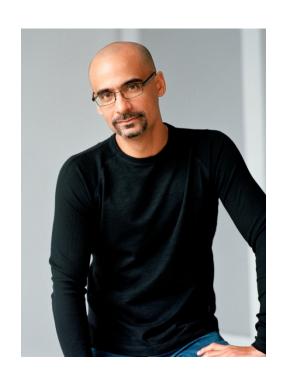
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and LA CASA AZUL BOOKSTORE WELCOME JUNOT DIAZ

Friday, September 6, 2013 6:30pm - 7:30pm, El Teatro Book signing to follow in El Café General Admission: \$10, FREE for students



NEW YORK, **August 7, 2013** - El Museo del Barrio and La Casa Azul Bookstore welcome award winning Dominican-American writer and author Junot Diaz for a reading from *This is How You Lose Her*, now available in paperback. He will open the floor to audience questions and will sign copies of this book and his other books (available for sale on-site) immediately following the program. General admission is \$10, and FREE for students (with valid ID; student tickets not available online). This program is presented in collaboration with La Casa Azul Bookstore.

Junot Díaz was born in the Dominican Republic and raised in New Jersey. He is the author of the critically acclaimed Drown; The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao, which won the 2008 Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Critics Circle Award; and This Is How You Lose Her, a New York Times bestseller and National Book Award finalist. He is the recipient of a MacArthur "Genius" Fellowship, PEN/Malamud Award, Dayton Literary Peace Prize, Guggenheim Fellowship, and PEN/O. Henry Award. A graduate of Rutgers College, Díaz is currently the fiction editor at Boston Review and the Rudge and Nancy Allen Professor of Writing at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

ABOUT EL MUSEO

El Museo del Barrio, New York's leading Latino cultural institution welcomes visitors of all backgrounds to discover the artistic landscape of Latino, Caribbean, and Latin American cultures. Their richness is represented in El Museo's wide-ranging collections and critically acclaimed exhibitions, complemented by film, literary, visual and performing arts series, cultural celebrations, and educational programs. For more information on El Museo del Barrio, please visit www.elmuseo.org.

ABOUT LA CASA AZUL BOOKSTORE

Located in the heart of El Barrio, La Casa Azul Bookstore is much more than the average retail store; it is the literature hub in the neighborhood serving as the third place, a community meeting space in the community. Events at La Casa Azul Bookstore range from book clubs, author signings, gallery shows, film screenings, writer's conferences and workshops. www.lacasaazulbookstore.com.

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