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These traditions reflect the distinctive mixtures of Native American, African, and European influences that have shifted throughout the region over time. This article surveys religious, folk, and art informally, classical music through time and over the hemisphere. After a brief discussion of the uses of music in pre-conquest cultures for further treatment, see Native American music, the narrative turns to how Europeans introduced Iberian church music and began the hybridization of musical practices in both the religious and the folk realms. At the same time, imported art music practices became part of the colonial cultures and were in turn infused with local and regional flavours. By the 21st century various national musical characteristics had asserted themselves in all types of musical practice, while international trends flowed into the regional musical stream as well. Music and dance are interdependent, and to some extent dance is part of the music story, especially in the sacred and secular folk realm. As folk dances transformed into social and ballroom dances current around the world in the 21st century, and as popular music traveled with emigrants, Latin American music and dance have become important in other places, especially the United States. Current Hispanic popular music and dance are beyond the scope of this article. These are discussed in Latin American dance as well as individual articles such as merengue, rumba, salsa, and tango. These cultures ranged from isolated and technologically primitive peoples to highly organized societies with advanced technological knowledge. Little is known about the musical activities or systems of these precolonial civilizations, but available sources do afford glimpses into the roles of music in the most-advanced cultures. These sources include surviving musical instruments, dictionaries of Indian languages compiled by early European missionaries, chronicles written by Europeans of the 16th century, and, for Mesoamerica, a substantial number of pre-Columbian Mexican codices. A codex is a manuscript in book form. Some scholars have studied the musical cultures of isolated indigenous communities of the 20th century as a means to understanding the past; although such an approach may be somewhat useful, it is not wise to assume that traditions are continuous and uninfluenced over centuries. The type of ancient Mesoamerican music that is best-documented is the ritual music of the courts primarily Aztec and Mayan. Music performance often allied with dance is depicted as a large-ensemble activity, in which numerous participants variously play instruments, sing, or dance. The 8th-century murals of the Bonampak temple, for example, show a procession with trumpets, drums, and rattles. To an extent that is remarkable in light of their numerous differences in other artistic and cultural realms, the different cultures from at least the 8th century to the early 16th century used similar instruments. Drums and wind instruments, primarily flutes, are commonly described in texts and found in artifacts. The *teponaztli*, a two-key slit drum played with a mallet, and the *huehuetl*, a single-headed cylindrical upright drum played with bare hands, occupied a special position in Aztec rituals and were considered sacred instruments. Many of the archaeological examples of these drums carry elaborate carvings with glyphs and drawings that reveal symbolically their ritual uses and functions. Comparable instruments served essential functions for the Maya. Reconstructed Mayan fresco from Bonampak in what is now Chiapas state, Mex. Among the Aztec they were known generically as *tlapizalli*. An especially intriguing type of flute found near the Gulf of Mexico coast consists of two, three, or four tubes sounded from a single mouthpiece. Such instruments prove the existence of harmonic possibilities, up to four notes simultaneously, but it is not known how they were used. Ancient Mesoamericans did not develop musical notation, and the Spanish did not transcribe music they heard. Surviving instruments provide some indication of sound quality and pitch but not any precise way of determining scales or melodies. In the Inca empire, extant evidence also documents the use of music in religious ritual contexts. As was the case for Mesoamerica, in the Andean region instrumental music seems to have predominated, with large ensembles performing on flutes and panpipes, accompanied by drums, including the characteristic small, double-headed *tinya* of the Inca. The end-notched vertical flute known in

Quechua as the quena was held sacred. Early examples had four finger holes, but many later flutes had five or six; some scholars have drawn conclusions about scale possibilities from the number and placement of finger holes. Another group of Andean vertical flutes was called pincollos or pincullus. The panpipes antaras of the Nazca, adopted by the Inca, had from 3 to 15 pipes and could produce microtonal music. Trumpets commonly appear throughout the region. The large conch trumpet was an instrument of war. The Bonampak murals of the Maya show long, straight trumpets that may have been made of wood or gourds. Incan trumpets, ququepas, could be made of conch shell, clay, or metal. Many aspects of music were standardized, such as the appropriate use of particular instruments or functions of particular songs. For the Inca, Quechua language dictionaries reveal certain ideals and practices. Specific terms distinguished between correct and incorrect singing and between low and high voice. Taki, a term designating dance, song, or both, could be used to describe a song of lament memorializing the life of an emperor or a local chief. Exactly how the songs were performed is unclear, but the mestizo half Spanish, half Incan historian Garcilaso de la Vega mentions in his *Comentarios reales* written within a century of the conquest of the Inca that each song text had its own unique melody. The reconstruction and evocation of the pre-Columbian musical past in Mesoamerica and the Andes remain speculative. Significantly, Spanish chroniclers active in Mexico in the 16th century noted that there was some affinity between the Spanish and the Indians with regard to the emotional tone of music. In particular, a song that was considered sad by the Indians apparently had the same sense for Spaniards who did not understand the text. Such an affinity might at least in part explain the ease with which the Indians assimilated the European musical system. Like the Mesoamerican and Andean peoples, the Caribbean Indians used music in ritual observances. Any possibility of musical continuity from pre-Columbian times into the colonial period in the Caribbean islands was lost with the rapid decimation of Indian populations caused by the spread of European diseases, the conditions of forced labour, intertribal wars, and mass suicide.

Colonial period – Early European influences The Spanish and Portuguese brought their Roman Catholic religious music to the colonies. They built modest churches in the mission towns and sumptuous cathedrals in the main urban centres, and they performed and taught the official music of the Roman Catholic rites. Gregorian chant and Spanish sacred polyphony entered the repertory early on. Popular religious music also began to be cultivated very early and exerted strong influence on subsequent folk music. The whole Christian calendar of feasts was introduced and combined with native celebrations. The Indians had a strong ritual musical tradition and adapted Christian religious music very readily. Patron saints and their commemorative days became especially important, and the community fiesta emerged as an essential event through Latin America. Numerous Catholic devotional songs were translated into Indian languages, and the Iberian medieval church theatre, with its affiliated dances, was introduced to the native populations. For example, Iberian dances of Christians and Moors *danzas de Moros y Cristianos*, representing stories of the medieval Crusades, were incorporated into similar dances in Latin America, where the Moors were transformed into native infidels. These were combined with preexisting Indian dances and songs. These dances continue to incorporate both indigenous and Christian religious elements. The Spaniards and the Portuguese also brought numerous genres and styles of secular music from their homelands. Song and dance genres abounded for the main types of life-cycle celebratory observance as well as for all sorts of work and social occasions. European art music as cultivated in the cathedrals and palaces of Spain and Portugal was introduced in the colonies as early as the 16th century. By the end of the 16th century the Spaniards had established cathedrals in the major cities. They had also founded universities and set up printing presses in the Viceroyalty of New Spain with Mexico City as the centre and the Viceroyalty of Peru with Lima as the centre. The cathedrals became the most important sites of music performance and training. Cathedral chapelmasters composed not only Latin works for church rituals but also Spanish or Portuguese works for celebrations; for example, the polyphonic villancico a Christmas song genre became a significant part of their output in some areas. In Mexico City the first 16th-century composer of polyphony was the Spanish-born Hernando Franco, who wrote a Magnificat that reveals control of both the technical and the expressive aspects of contemporary Spanish polyphony. By the middle of the 18th century, subsequent chapelmasters in Mexico City had enlarged the cathedral orchestra and introduced elements of the current, more homophonic style. The extant colonial repertory of secular music includes Operas and other

dramatic representations, as well as instrumental music, were cultivated, but few examples survive. From Mexico, three examples of tablature remain one for organ, one for vihuela, and one a cittern instruction book. From Valladolid present-day Morelia, Mexico, there are several pieces of 18th-century instrumental music, including two overtures sinfonias for small orchestra, attributed to Antonio Rodil and Antonio Sarrier. In Brazil most of the colonial repertory that remains is sacred music of the 18th century; an exception is the oldest known music manuscript from the region, which consists of a recitative and aria in Portuguese for soprano, two violins, and continuo, written at Bahia in and attributed to the local chapelmaster Caetano de Mello Jesus. Early influences on folk music

The new musical cultures that emerged gradually during the colonial period grew from elements drawn from the cultures of indigenous peoples, Spanish or Portuguese Europeans, and sub-Saharan Africans. The various encounters and mixtures of all of these created an extraordinarily complex hybrid culture that reflected a social class system made up of Europeans mostly Spaniards, with Portuguese in Brazil, criollos European descendants born in the colonies, mestizos mixtures of Indian with European or of black African with European or Indian, Indians, and those of African descent. Throughout Latin America and the Caribbean, the foundation of mestizo folk music is overwhelmingly European, as a result of both the successful missionary work and the subsequent hegemony of the Europeans and their descendants. The missionaries, particularly the Jesuits until they were expelled in the mid-17th century, introduced European music and dance as aids to conversion and frequently adapted native songs and dances for Christian uses. Thus, they both precipitated and facilitated the creolization process of the 17th and early 18th centuries. Even as Christianity was adopted, native religious beliefs were never completely abandoned. Religious syncretism among the Indian and the African-derived communities reflected their accommodation to colonization and slavery. As a strong marker of community identity, native religions and their corresponding musics survived to a much greater degree than has been generally acknowledged. That religious chants and dancing of Indians and enslaved Africans flourished under a colonial regime testifies to the power and resilience of music and religion. The teaching of Catholic religious music throughout the period left a permanent imprint on Indian, Hispanic American, and Luso-Brazilian folk music. Gregorian chant strongly influenced several folk song repertoires, especially in the use of the church modes scales and in melodic and rhythmic approaches to sung recitation. Otherwise, the strong European foundation in these folk music traditions is evident in their instrumentation, their tonal harmonic system, and their approaches to ensembles. For example, imitative polyphony, including the canon, was incorporated into certain Indian songs. Among some Indian groups, such as the Tzotzil Maya-speaking Indians of southern Mexico, three-part harmonic singing accompanied by harps, violins, and guitars became the norm. Art music in the national period

present The 19th century Throughout Latin America, 19th-century art music was dominated by opera and lighter musical theatre, songs, and piano music, as was a large part of the musical life of Europe. During the first half of the century, most countries made an effort to encourage artistic activity. National music institutions, conservatories, opera theatres, and concert halls were established. Consequently, symphonic and chamber music became part of the culture, as did virtuoso performers, especially pianists. By the last decades of the century, musical nationalism had developed, as it had in Europe; its main expression was through the use of genres that were associated with national folk and popular characteristics. A large number of Latin American pianist-composers cultivated salon music genres and European-style Romantic piano music. The last two especially cultivated the danza or contradanza mexicana, which followed the model established by the Cuban composers Manuel Saumell and Ignacio Cervantes. The contradanza stressed for the first time the typical syncopated rhythmic patterns of Afro-Caribbean dance music. Grand opera and Romantic nationalism flourished in Argentina and Brazil. Although opera had been produced in Buenos Aires during the 18th century, Argentinian opera and piano music were not extensively performed until the last decades of the 19th century. Francisco Hargreaves, for example, wrote the Aires nacionales c.

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*However, the restoration of the theatre's original function as socially purgative and didactic is not the most significant aspect of contemporary Latin American popular theatre. It is true that some playwrights have assumed the traditional role of seer and conscience of their people and, in such capacity, embark on a crusade-like task of exposing the weaknesses and imbalances in the social milieu while implicitly suggesting correctives and alternate ideological paths to follow.*

The center will soon become a major venue, not just for local productions, but also for traveling stage productions from Latin America and Spain. The Teatro attracts not only actors but stage technicians and directors from Southwest cities. It will soon be staging dramas, comedies and variety shows featuring such talents as Juan B. The Teatro Carmen will be the home of Spanish-language productions until By , there will be five major theater houses thriving in Los Angeles with many other smaller venues operating as well. The rise in the Spanish language is a direct result of the immigration to the United States of large numbers of Mexicans fleeing to the unrest of the Mexican Revolution during the previous decade. Within a short time she will develop as one of the most popular of Spanish language vaudeville comedians. In later years, he will continue to use his theatrical productions to lobby for Puerto Rican independence. The play, written by Garnet Holme, is based on the novel by crusading human rights activist and author Helen Hunt Jackson. It is another important venue for stage productions in Spanish. The pelado is a character with origins in the carpa tent shows of the period who, while poor and clownish, makes insightful jabs at established societal norms. The theater venue will present plays featuring Mexican and Latino actors until It is estimated that in the years between and more than , people will be deported, many of them American citizens of Mexican descent for whom Mexico is a foreign country. Its only major outreach to the Latino community in the United States is to collaborate with the Centro Austriano of Tampa, Florida, in the staging of Spanish Zarzuelas, local revistas. During its tenure, the Federal Theater Project will be responsible for staging forty-two productions at the Centro Austuriano. The theater house will feature Spanish-language productions, geared to the diversity of national Latino origins in New York well into the s. The play, directed by Roberto Rodriguez, captures quintessentially the Puerto Rican migrant experience to New York and soon becomes an enormously successful play in New York and in Puerto Rico. The group stages dramatic productions at the Teatro Arena in midtown Manhattan, New York throughout the fifties and early sixties. Coming from upper and middle class backgrounds, the expatriates create theater companies which, in addition to standard works of the Latin American repertory also feature plays hearkening to memories of pre-revolutionary Cuba and attacking the regime of Fidel Castro. Within a short time, El Teatro Campesino will a spur a national movement of Chicano theater companies. The march takes 25 days to travel miles. This first victory will set the stage for future union contracts. Within a short time he becomes an indispensable part of El Teatro Campesino. The film receives wide distribution throughout the Southwest and helps propel the Chicano Movement. Reaching out to the large Puerto Rican community of New York, the plays alternate productions in Spanish and in English. The two groups find surprising similarities in their stage imagery skeletons and content political struggle of the underdog. This meeting will set the stage for future collaborations including the television film production of Somos Uno We Are One. An outgrowth of exiled members of the Cuban Los Mascarone Sociedad Pro Arte, the group will soon specialize in staging classic works of Spanish language stage as well as contemporary dramatic works from Latin America. The company continues to tour throughout the United States to the present, working out of its home at the Gramercy Arts Theater. In the next three years the group will expand and will come to include: Many newly formed Chicano theater companies attend. The play, jointly written by members of El Teatro Campesino, depicts the Mexican immigrant experience in the United States and combines music performances with stylized stage performances. It will have a profound effect in inspiring Chicano theater companies in the years to come. The program is broadcast nationally garnering one of the highest audience ratings at the time. They create El Teatro de D. Chicanos for the first time are found on the school board, city council, the fire department, police force and as local judges. El Teatro Estudiantil is

founded. The Chicano theater company, Su Teatro, under the direction of Alfredo Sandoval, is enlisted to perform as part of the production. The play, directed by Anthony J. It incorporates new members: It will continue to The play will soon become a break-out hit in Latino communities. The play, about the Ludlow, Colorado miners strike of and subsequent massacre of innocent men, woman and children, featured Teatro members Debra Gallegos and Yolanda Ortega. It is an instant hit, bringing Mexican American audiences to the theater that had never attended before. The play explores Latina identity as a Chicana struggles with her identity as she confronts women immigrants originating from different Latin American countries. Paul, Minneapolis, the Teatro Latino de Minnesota is created. It will continue producing bilingual plays until the present. The anthology includes studies on Mexican American theater as well as interviews with theater directors. Among the productions featured is *Voz de la Mujer*, a mixture of poetry, music and dance performed by five women active in the Teatro movmeent: The group will become one of the leading and long standing of Latino comedy groups. With music by the Chicano rock group Los Lobos, the film soon becomes the most successful Latino music film in history. The book includes three plays by the author of the hit play *El Super The Super*. The book contains three ful length plays focusing on the experiences of working class Puerto Ricans in New York City. The pilot is produced but never aired. Thirty shows will be taped and broadcast over two seasons, showcasing a new generation of Latino comedians. *Culture Clash Invades Miami*. The book, edited by Laura E.

## 3: Latin American drama - Drama Online

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You can help by adding to it. June Main article: Guatemala has 22 departments or divisions , each of which has very different food varieties. For example, Antigua Guatemala is well known for its candy which makes use of many local ingredients fruits, seeds and nuts along with honey, condensed milk and other traditional sweeteners. Many traditional foods are based on Maya cuisine and prominently feature corn, chiles and beans as key ingredients. Various dishes may have the same name as a dish from a neighboring country, but may in fact be quite different for example the enchilada or quesadilla , which are nothing like their Mexican counterparts. Towns also have wind and percussion bands -week processions, as well as on other occasions. The Garifuna people of Afro-Caribbean descent, who are spread thinly on the northeastern Caribbean coast , have their own distinct varieties of popular and folk music. Cumbia , from the Colombian variety, is also very popular especially among the lower classes. Dozens of Rock bands have emerged in the last two decades, making rock music quite popular among young people. Guatemala also has an almost five-century-old tradition of art music, spanning from the first liturgical chant and polyphony introduced in to contemporary art music. Much of the music composed in Guatemala from the 16th century to the 19th century has only recently been unearthed by scholars and is being revived by performers. Guatemalan literature Guatemalan literature is famous around the world whether in the indigenous languages present in the country or in Spanish. Though there was likely literature in Guatemala before the arrival of the Spanish, all the texts that exist today were written after their arrival. It is a compendium of Mayan stories and legends, aimed to preserve Mayan traditions. Due to its combination of historical, mythical, and religious elements, it has been called the Mayan Bible. It is a vital document for understanding the culture of pre-Columbian America. The 16th century saw the first native-born Guatemalan writers that wrote in Spanish. He was forced into exile by Carlos III. He traveled to Mexico and later to Italy, where he did. He originally wrote his *Rusticatio Mexicana* and his poems praising the bishop Figueredo y Victoria in Latin. Roman Catholicism combined with the indigenous Maya religion are the unique syncretic religion which prevailed throughout the country and still does in the rural regions. Beginning from negligible roots prior to , however, Protestant Pentecostalism has grown to become the predominant religion of Guatemala City and other urban centers and down to mid-sized towns. Always depicted in black, he wears a black hat and sits on a chair, often with a cigar placed in his mouth and a gun in his hand, with offerings of tobacco, alcohol and Coca-Cola at his feet. The locals know him as San Simon of Guatemala. Culture of Nicaragua Celebrating the annual "Alegria por la vida" Carnival in Managua , Nicaragua Nicaraguan culture has several distinct strands. The Pacific coast has strong folklore, music and religious traditions, deeply influenced by European culture but enriched with Amerindian sounds and flavors. The Pacific coast of the country was colonized by Spain and has a similar culture to other Spanish-speaking Latin American countries. The Caribbean coast of the country, on the other hand, was once a British protectorate. English is still predominant in this region and spoken domestically along with Spanish and indigenous languages. Its culture is similar to that of Caribbean nations that were or are British possessions, such as Jamaica , Belize , The Cayman Islands , etc. Nicaraguan music is a mixture of indigenous and European, especially Spanish and to a lesser extent German, influences. The latter was a result of the German migration to the central-north regions of Las Segovias where Germans settled and brought with them polka music which influenced and evolved into Nicaraguan mazurka, polka and waltz. The Germans that migrated to Nicaragua are speculated to have been from the regions of Germany which were annexed to present-day Poland following the Second World War; hence the genres of mazurka, polka in addition to the waltz. One of the more famous composers of classical music and Nicaraguan waltz was Jose de la Cruz Mena who was actually not from the northern regions of Nicaragua but rather from the city of Leon in Nicaragua. More nationally identified however, are musical instruments such as the marimba which is also common across Central America. The marimba of Nicaragua is uniquely played by a sitting performer holding the instrument

on his knees. It is usually accompanied by a bass fiddle , guitar and guitarrilla a small guitar like a mandolin. This music is played at social functions as a sort of background music. The marimba is made with hardwood plates, placed over bamboo or metal tubes of varying lengths. It is played with two or four hammers. The Caribbean coast of Nicaragua is known for a lively, sensual form of dance music called Palo de Mayo. It is especially loud and celebrated during the Palo de Mayo festival in May The Garifuna community exists in Nicaragua and is known for its popular music called Punta. Literature of Nicaragua can be traced to pre-Columbian times with the myths and oral literature that formed the cosmogonic view of the world that indigenous people had. Some of these stories are still know in Nicaragua. Like many Latin American countries, the Spanish conquerors have had the most effect on both the culture and the literature.

## 4: Project MUSE - Latin American Theatre Review

*Founded in as the Latin American Art Group, the group undergoes a name change to the International Arts Relations (INTAR) and, under the direction of Max Ferra, the company offers plays in Spanish and English and workshops to develop new Latino writing talent.*

I "Roots of the Popular historical background. The text offers an historical survey of National Front. Williams considers the Colombian novel as the three centuries prior to nationhood and the decades of just another product of such ideological dialogue, greatly transnational cultural production that followed the Cuban influenced by the geographical location and ethnic distribution Revolution. The authors understand "national" theatres to be of each region. In his opinion, this has led to the creation of the result of traditional, appropriated, and imposed elements. In Part II, "Novel and A "national" theatre is not necessarily contained within the Its Region," the author studies seventeen novels, divided boundaries of a given country, since the make-up of residual according to the four regions in which they were written: The and traditional cultures at times transcend such borders. Part I identifies the three main cultural influences in the In his aim to provide a classification of the Colombian novel, dramatic traditions of Latin America: Great emphasis is given to the synchronically considered, exhibits considerable diversity in resulting acculturations, transculturations and syncretisms. Orality and Literacy, a text whose terminology Williams It also blended with late European medieval drama, with its promises but fails to clarify. It goes without saying that an were used to establish an ecclesiastical hegemony in the attempt to study a national literature based on one single colonies. In Part I, the authors consider two manifestations of popular The author should have studied each text according to its own theatre: Since a geographical fictional entity "speaks" or "tells a story," but he seldom and socioeconomic division separates a primarily literate examines the content of that narration. On the other hand, culture from its predominantly oral, illiterate popular Williams studies the multiple manifestations, purposes, and counterpart, and since both groups participate in the production of popular theatre, a hegemonic pursuit soon materializes. Dramatic characters are used to promote modernity and postmodernity he uses to study Latin America a particular vision of national identity, and to affirm Americanism and its literature. Part III studies the emergence of a new popular theatre, which springs from the social and political developments that boosted popular culture on an international scale in the s and s. The term "popular" is now more closely connected to economically or socially marginalized sectors in a class or Latin American Popular Theatre: The First Five caste-determined society, subordinated, in its turn, to an Centuries. This new theatre still seeks to University of New Mexico Press, ISBN , the existing hegemony as well. In other words, the ultimate goal of grass-root theatre and its professional counterpart is ISBN The importance of this volume lies in the scope of the Judith A. Risk Latin American popular theatre from every imaginable collaborated in this ground-breaking project about the origins perspective. The inclusion of an exhaustive bibliography and practices of popular theatre in Latin America. It consists enhances the value of their pioneer effort even further.

## 5: Spanish American Theatre - Out of the Wings

*The importance of this volume lies in the scope of the Judith A. Weiss with Leslie Damascene Donald Frischmann, interdisciplinary approach used by the authors, who study Claudia Kaiser-Lenoir, Marina Pianca and Beatriz J. Risk Latin American popular theatre from every imaginable collaborated in this ground-breaking project about the origins perspective.*

Nick Hern Books Type: A brutal conflict has come to an end, with the ruling class victorious and the military in firm control. In a country village women await news of the dozens of men taken captive by the army, supposedly for being involved in the rebellion or for holding dissident views. But the only sign of the lost is a corpse that floats down the river one day. Decomposing and disfigured by torture, the faceless man is claimed by Sofia Fuentes, a grandmother who has lost a father, husband and two sons to the violence. He burns it in secret. Latin America, or Spanish America if Portuguese-speaking Brazil is excluded, consists of some twenty different countries and is, in every sense, a continent of enormous fascination. Geographically, it enjoys a diversity which ranges from the great mountain chain of the Andes to the vast pampas of Argentina and the tropical jungles of the Amazon. And in political terms, of course, Latin America has always been a place of huge ferment, ever associated in the foreign imagination with revolutions, military coups, and oppressive dictatorships. It is a context in which, not surprisingly, the arts have flourished. Subsequently, under the influence of the new arrivals and the Catholic Church, a religious drama flourished, and then a more secular theatre which owed much to the traditions of seventeenth-century Spanish writers. A huge influx of European immigrants into Argentina and Buenos Aires in particular inspired, for example, the so-called urban sainete, a theatrical form marked by its emphasis on local colour and realistic language. In addition, the early part of the century saw the emergence of plays in which rural life, embodied in the character of the gaucho, was seen to be threatened by increasing urbanisation. A vigorous drama began to develop in relation to issues which were specifically Latin American. The end of the First World War has had as profound an effect in Latin American countries as elsewhere, not least with regard to the search for new forms of theatrical expression. Influenced by the European avant-garde, new experimental groups began to appear, such as Teatro de Ulises in Mexico in 1919, and Teatro de la Cueva in Cuba, all of them rejecting outdated forms of theatre, developing new spaces, and seeking innovative styles of acting and design. Furthermore, if these new ideas were at first applied to the work of European dramatists in translation, it was not long before Latin American dramatists attempted to break away from that tradition. Between 1910 and the trend described above acquired added impetus. In the light of such developments, it was inevitable that new dramatists should emerge. In Mexico, Rodolfo Usigli, an admirer of European theatre and especially of George Bernard Shaw, wrote plays which satirised contemporary political life and revealed the tensions within middle-class families. The most productive period in Latin American theatre has, however, been the last forty years. The 1950s and 60s saw political upheavals in many countries: Quite clearly, events of this kind were bound to stimulate theatrical activity in one way or another. The work of the Argentinian dramatist, Griselda Gambaro, revealed the violence that had and would characterise the various military regimes and led to her exile to Spain in 1976. Its purpose was to provide an alternative to bourgeois theatre, rejecting in the process the notion of an individual author, encouraging collective work in relation to all aspects of performance, and inviting audience participation. The devised play flourished in this environment and was enthusiastically taken up in other Latin American countries, notably in Cuba and in the work of the Brazilian and Nicaraguan dramatists, Augusto Boal and Alan Bolt. On the other hand, collective theatre has been criticised by many writers who consider that, precisely because of its emphasis on group participation and non-textual elements, it diminishes the importance of the spoken word and the individual dramatist. Since the 1980s military dictatorships have, with the exception of Cuba, given way to largely democratic regimes, even though the Peruvian example of recent years suggests that old political habits die hard. This general shift of political emphasis has meant, in consequence, that the concerns of dramatists have moved from the political and the social to the personal, and that in many cases writers have become more interested in such matters as sexuality, gender and identity, and the power of the imagination.

For all the variety and richness of Latin American culture and history, theatre in this great continent has always had its problems. The commercial theatre exists even today only in the large cities such as Buenos Aires and Mexico City, and even there on a smaller scale than in London and other major European cities. Runs also tend to be short, which means that dramatists can earn more and be more secure either by writing for television or by moving to other countries.

### 6: Latin American Theatre Review

*This study traces the emergence of the collaborative popular theatre movement in Latin America, as the teatro de concientizaci3n espoused by Freire and Boal revolutionized the content and structure of the Latin American performance text. Few attempts have been made to define this dramatic form and to accord it the recognition it so well.*

### 7: Collaborative Latin American Popular Theatre : Elena De Costa :

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### 9: The Greatest Latin American Plays of all time | Latino Life

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