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Library to Host Film Series and Bilingual Book Discussion And Scrapbooking Series Entitled “Historias!” *Events to Focus on Latino and Spanish-Speaking Community*

SAN DIEGO – The City of San Diego Public Library and the Media Arts Center San Diego announced today that they will work together to present a special series of events focusing on the Latino and Spanish-speaking communities. Titled *Historias!*, this ongoing partnership will consist of year-round book discussions, film screenings and youth digital story workshops in celebration of the “Latino Experience.”

The goals of project: are:

- Encourage local Latino and Spanish-speaking community members to produce and tell their own stories.
- Encourage local community members to read and view stories about the Latino Experience.
- Encourage community members to support and actively engage in activities at the City of San Diego Public Library and at the annual San Diego Latino Film Festival.

Historias! is made possible by funding from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

Established in 1882, the City of San Diego Public Library today consists of a Central Library, 34 branches, an adult literacy office (READ/San Diego) and a special outlet facility (Environmental Library). Approximately 6.5 million people visit the San Diego Public Library each year.

The Media Arts Center San Diego produces the annual San Diego Latino Film Festival, which will be held this year from March 10-20.

For more information about *Historias!*, visit the Library on the City’s Web site at <http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/> or call the Central Library at 619-236-5800.

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