

Crossroads presents

Milagro Theater's 'HUELGA'

BAKER CITY — The story of Dolores Huerta, Cesar Chavez and United Farm Workers will be presented virtually on Friday, April 23, at 7 p.m.

The Milagro Theater program “¡HUELGA!” is sponsored by Crossroads Carnegie Art Center.

This bilingual play is family friendly. To access the performance, send an RSVP to Ginger Savage, ginger@crossroads-arts.org, to request a Zoom link.

There will be an open question-and-answer discussion before and after the performance on Zoom.

The free performance was made possible in part by the support of the Oregon Arts Commission, Arts Builds Communities Program and the Ford Family Foundation.

¡HUELGA! was created by Maya Malan-Gonzalez.

The story travels back in time to 1962 and the beginning of the farmworkers' movement and continues up to the present day. Dolores Huerta co-founded the UFW with Cesar Chavez.

According to a press release, “this ‘Super Acto’ inspired by Teatro Campesino highlights the journey of Dolores, who continues to

“The great social justice changes in our country have happened when people came together, organized, and took direct action. It is this right that sustains and nurtures our democracy today.”

— Dolores Huerta

make history at the age of 90. Her innumerable successes often went uncelebrated in the past until she changed the normative ideas about women in leadership.”

In 2012, when she was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Obama, he acknowledged the fact that Dolores coined the famous phrase “Si, se puede! (Yes, we can!)”

The ensemble cast, which includes Aurora Hernandez as Dolores, Ajai Terrazas Tripathi as Bobby Kennedy and Fred Ross, Pedro Adan Dominguez as Cesar Chavez and Tricia Castaneda Guevara as The Eagle and Gloria Steinem, also play dozens of other characters in

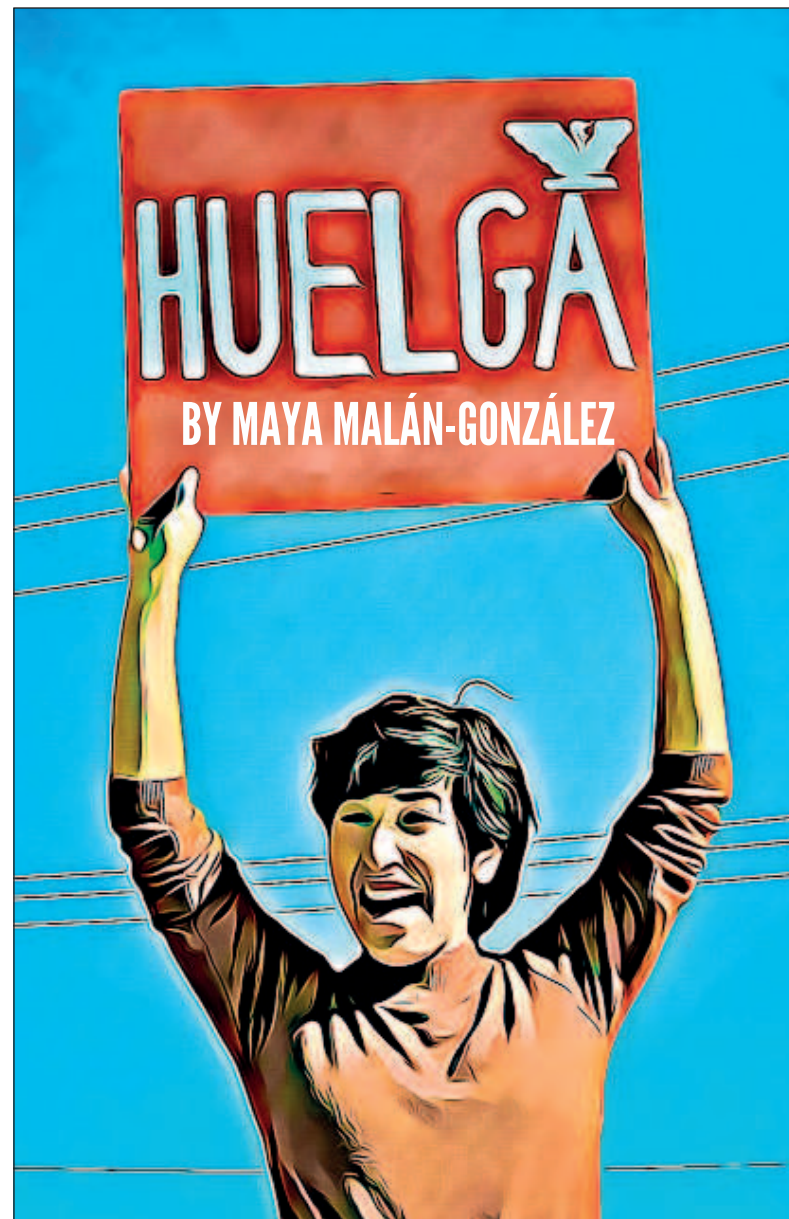
this fast-paced, sometimes irreverent retelling of the history of the UFW and its co-founders Dolores Huerta and Cesar Chavez.

Susana Jacobo joins the cast as La Musica, to provide traditional folk songs for the marches and movements.

IN THE CLASSROOM

Following Friday's performance, Milagro teaching artists will be working virtually with the language arts teachers at Baker High School to help students create their own “actos” about important issues in the community.

For more information visit the website www.milagro.org.



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MilagroTheater presents the virtual program “Huelga” April 23.

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