



COMITÉ NOVIEMBRE
MES DE LA HERENCIA PUERTORRIQUEÑA

**CORDIALLY INVITES YOU &
A GUEST TO ATTEND ITS**

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

**PUERTO RICAN HERITAGE MONTH
KICK-OFF CELEBRATION**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2011

EL MUSEO DEL BARRIO
1230 FIFTH AVENUE
(AT 104TH STREET)
NEW YORK CITY

6PM – 9PM

**“LO MEJOR DE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD”
AWARDS PRESENTATION**

CN SCHOLARS RECOGNITION

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE RICHIE PEREZ
SCHOLARSHIP FOR PEACE & JUSTICE
RECIPIENTS**

**PLEASE RSVP BY
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2011 TO
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MISSION

CN's mission is to commemorate and acknowledge all aspects of Puerto Rican life from the social and cultural to the educational, economic and political. The charge of CN is to create an awareness of the rich culture, language and heritage of the Puerto Rican community and to acknowledge its numerous contributions to this city, state and nation.

Established in 1987, Comité Noviembre...mes de la herencia puertorriqueña, is the only collaboration of its kind in the United States. It brings together the collective talents and resources of the oldest and most prestigious Puerto Rican organizations:

Institute for the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Elderly,
ASPIRA of New York,
El Centro de Estudios Puertorriqueños – Hunter College
El Museo del Barrio
El Puente
Eugenio María de Hostos Community College
Latino Justice – PRLDEF
National Institute for Latino Policy
National Congress for Puerto Rican Rights – Justice Committee
Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration

This coordinating body plans and promotes
CN's annual programs and events.

LO MEJOR DE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD AWARD

Each year, through Lo Mejor de Nuestra Comunidad Award, CN recognizes outstanding individuals who are the unsung heroes of our community.

This award honors Puerto Ricans whose pride in their heritage and strength of character have empowered themselves and inspired others to make a significant impact on our community.

The recipients are chosen by members of CN by nominations that were submitted by the community.

CN Scholarship Awards Program

Since its inception, CN has placed special focus on educational excellence and youth leadership development with the goal of encouraging Puerto Rican youth to pursue a college education as a key to better the future of the Puerto Rican community. In 1996 the CN Scholarship Awards Program was established. To date, the Program has awarded 190 scholarships to exceptional Puerto Rican youth who are making a difference in their community through volunteerism and community involvement.

The Richie Perez Scholarship for Peace & Justice

In 2004, the Puerto Rican community lost an advocate and community leader. Richie Pérez was a beloved activist in the fight for social justice and human rights. He brought integrity, zeal and unity to many causes including the struggle for racial justice and against police brutality, Puerto Rican independence and universal human rights.

In his memory, CN established the Richie Pérez Scholarship for Peace and Justice.