

## "B/C" presented by Beah Richards and Carmen Zapata

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"B/C," an epic drama of two women whose destinies are entwisted in a space-time journey engulfing three continents and 2,000 years of history will be presented at 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, in the Mandeville Auditorium of the University of California, San Diego.

The play, featuring Beah Richards and Carmen Zapata, was produced by the Inner City Cultural Center of Los Angeles. It is one of five ensemble productions selected by the California Arts Council to tour educational and social institutions and community centers to encourage creative endeavors throughout the state.

Richards and Zapata, in "B/C," recount the history of Black and Spanish surnamed Americans through events in the lives of two women from separate cultures bound together by a common past. The drama has been called the "story of a world turned upside down."

Beah Richards received an Oscar nomination for her portrayal of the mother in "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" and has been acclaimed for her performances on Broadway ("A Raisin in the Sun," "The Miracle Worker" and "Little Foxes") as well as on the Los Angeles stage ("The Amen Corner," "One is a crowd" and "A Black Woman Speaks").

Carmen Zapata was star of her own television series, "Viva Valdez" and has appeared in the films "Pete and Tillie" and "I Will! --For Now." and on Broadway in "Oklahoma!" and "Bloomer Girl."

Tickets for the UC San Diego performance are \$1 and may be purchased at the UCSD Theatre Ticket Office, 452-4574, from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, or at the door.

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