



# La Vida es Sueño (Life is a Dream)



One of the essential works of Spanish Golden Age theater, this timeless play explores free will, fate, and tyranny.

Pedro Calderón de la Barca's best-known play, *La Vida es Sueño* (*Life is a Dream*), tells the story of Segismundo, heir to the throne, who is locked away in a dungeon for fear of a prophecy foretelling that he will be a tyrant who brings disaster to the country and death to the king.

Do we choose who we are or are we merely marionettes in the hands of a greater power? Is what we see real or an altered illusion? Nando Lopez's new adaptation reflects on these universal truths.

The play is in Spanish with English surtitles.

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Thu, September 12–  
Sun, October 13, 2019

## Venue

GALA Theatre, 3333 14th St NW  
Washington, DC 20010

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## Admission

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## Credits

Written by Pedro Calderón de la Barca,  
adapted by Nando López, and directed by  
Hugo Medrano. Presented by GALA  
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