

Press Release

## Insulas extrañas – Spain's languages through poetry

Poetry in all Spain's languages and in different poetic forms will be performed at the poesiefestival berlin. With Insulas extrañas the Literaturwerkstatt Berlin, in cooperation with the Instituto Cervantes, will present on June 19, 2005, the poetry of Spain in a multimedia performance. Taking part are Catalanian Francesc Parcerisas (Barcelona), Galician Luisa Castro (Foz, Lugo), from the Basque region Kirmen Uribe (Odarroa, Vizcaya), Argentinean resident in Spain Edgardo Dobry, performers Marcel.lí Antúnez (Barcelona) and Bartolomé Ferrando (Valencia) as well as sound poet Fernando Millán (Jaén).

Different linguistic and cultural traditions come together in Spain. Only 27 of the country's 40 million inhabitants consider Castilian as their mother tongue. For the rest it is, for example, Catalan, the Basque language Euskera or Galician. Latin Americans living in Spain also bring with them their own linguistic and cultural influences. As rich as the linguistic variety is the range of poetry in Spain, from traditional lyrical poetry to visual poetry and performance. „Insulas extrañas“ gives a cross-section of this.

The poesiefestival berlin takes place from June 18 to 26, 2005, with this year's theme "The Spanish-speaking world" in cooperation with the Instituto Cervantes.

**Sunday, June 19, 2005, 8pm**

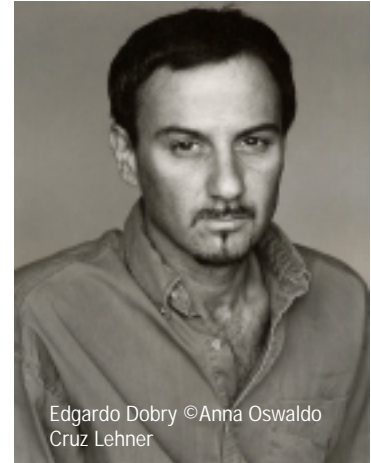
**Insulas extrañas**

**Poetry, sound and performance in the four languages of Spain**

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Marcel.lí Antúnez, Kirmen Uribe, Bartolomé  
Ferrando, Fernando Millán, Edgardo Dobry



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