

## "I Was the Voice of Democracy"



"I Was the Voice of Democracy: A True Story in 4 Acts." Free and open to the public today, Feb. 17, this autobiographical, solo performance — by parts comedic and contemplative — is by Brian Herrera, actor, writer and assistant professor of theatre at the University of New Mexico. Herrera recounts the story of, at the age of 17, being briefly thrust into a peculiar kind of fame when a speech he wrote on a whim ended up winning a national contest. Delivered in a style that has been compared to David Sedaris and Spalding Gray, this show asks whether we ever really stop being the person we once were. Co-sponsored by the UCLA Office of Residential Life, the Cesar E. Chavez Center Department for Chicana/o Studies, and the Chicano Studies Research Center. Northwest Campus Auditorium, 7 p.m.; doors open at 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Tramaine Austin-Dillon at (310) 206-3861 or [tadillon@orl.ucla.edu](mailto:tadillon@orl.ucla.edu).