

**Magicians Without Borders
PTW Happenings Performance
Event Program**

Welcome to our performance, this time we will do a dual language presentation, in spanish and english, so here in this program you will find the translation of the parts of the performance that are in spanish. Enjoy.

Introduction (English)

Carlos López (English)

From El Salvador: Mario (Spanish)

Hello everyone, I am Mario Sierra from El Salvador, the smallest country in the region but with people who like to get ahead, thanks to all the people who are watching this show because it has been prepared with a lot of love and passion.

I am the teacher of Magicians Without Borders in Ahuachapán, El Salvador and it has been a very incredible and beautiful challenge, it is one of the best experiences that I have experienced in the more than 9 years I've been in the world of magic.

Now I will present a beautiful classic effect, and one of my favorites, the effect is with a glass and the bottle, why a glass and a bottle? Because we have a glass and we have a bottle. The effect is curious because I have to make the glass change sides and the bottle too, but that can only be done by magic.

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Now I have to introduce a woman, a magician from my country, an eager woman who wants to get ahead in the world with the art of magic, please welcome Kimberly with a big round of applause!

From El Salvador: Kimberly (Spanish)

Hello! How are you? I hope they are super well. As you have already heard my name is Kimberly Menéndez, I've been part of magicians without borders for over a year which has opened many doors for me.

I am very excited to introduce myself to you and share with you not only a bit of magic but also the story of my journey in this wonderful world of magic. I still remember the first day I witnessed a magic show, at that time I wasn't able to think about anything else, during the show I completely forgot everything ... I was just

sitting there enjoying the show with a lot of laughter, the magician transmitted to the public a very genuine and good vibe. You could see that he really enjoyed what he was doing ... And I said: "How beautiful it must be that feeling, to make other people smile and make them forget for a moment all the problems they may be going through, that's magic!"

After the magician finished his show, he mentioned that young people would be given the opportunity to learn that talent. And I said "well this is my chance". I registered as an applicant and days later the news came that it was going to change my life completely: I was chosen along with a group of 8 young people to learn magic with the incredible magician from Ahuachapán: Mario Sierra.

I was excited! But at the same time I began to think about the fact that I would not be able to go very far because there are very few women in this art, we are very few and in fact some of them with the role of magician's assistants. Even with that in mind I decided to give my best. And every day I learned very "chiva" things. Here in El Salvador we say "chiva" to something very cool, surprising or incredible. Do you want to see something "chiva" that I learned?

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Yes! The road was not easy ... With the passage of time many challenges arise, you stop on the road and think that you cannot continue, you see all the people who do not trust you, you see that not many people support you and you get discouraged and you may even think that you really could not do it, but I learned that it is enough to just trust yourself and believe that impossible things can become possible.

I also had many fears, one of them is stage fright; who doesn't feel anxious and feel their legs shaking when they're about to go out on stage? I remember that I was super nervous and that my mind was "blank", I was also afraid of failing and of not being able to do something, for example of showing an 8 of hearts and wanting to change the number that this 8 would become a 3 or a 5 with a click but the only thing that will change is the color. That fear! But in magicians without borders I learned to face my fears, break obstacles, face challenges and above all to enjoy what I do ... Magic is incredible!

In each show, feeling that satisfaction of making many people smile is something I did not imagine achieving, and with Magicians Without Borders, I made it possible. As well as you can take a ball and disappear it, to be able to disappear for a moment the bad mood of the people and ... that it becomes laughter and happiness.

I want to thank magicians without borders worldwide, for having opened the doors and changed my life, I am grateful for everything they do so that we can get ahead

and have a voice in Latin America, thanks from El Salvador, the smallest country in the region but wanting to get ahead. Thank you very much! With all my heart.

From Costa Rica Diego Vargas: (English)

From Costa Rica Abraham: (Spanish)

Hi there my name is Abraham and I'm from Costa Rica, it is a pleasure to be doing a show for you and to be able to share a little magic with you.

Did you see that? There was something flying. Let's see what it is. Wow. This show is truly loaded with magic.

I hope you are enjoying this show as much as I am, I love doing this. I have been in Magicians Without Borders for about 3 years and this time has been a totally magical and fruitful experience for me, being in the program has helped me feel that I can make the impossible become possible. I really love with all my heart to do these things. It has helped me to not give up when I want to achieve my goals.

I want to show you a magic act that I like to do in extremely special shows, like this one.

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Well friends I hope you liked it a lot and it's time to continue with more magic! I leave you with the best magicians in Colombia.

From Colombia: Jaider (Spanish)

Hi. How's everybody? My name is Jaider Ramirez, I am 17 years old, I am from Colombia and I am part of magicians without borders. Today I am going to tell you a bit about my life and the experience I've had in magic.

A year before the magic started, I dedicated myself to playing soccer, which was very exciting for me, but one day I had a strong injury that left me three months off the field, I was very depressed, I almost did not go out. And I was losing most of my soccer friends, and my heart broke like this paper, but when I least expected it, the magic came and made my life amazing.

And this is how my little story begins with magicians without borders.

Now we are going to represent magic with this pack of cards, do not forget, I consider myself good in many things, for example, soccer, drawing and dancing, but magic follows me everywhere, because I find it in soccer, dance and drawing, it

doesn't really matter where I go or where I look, what really matters is that we add a touch of magic to everything we do.

From Colombia: Tamara (Spanish):

Hello, I am Tamara Jiménez, I hope you are very well!

Magic and its wonderful power to transform.

Several years ago Magicians Without Borders came into my life and today, as a teacher of the program in Bogotá Colombia I want to tell you that being part of this process has taught me the true meaning of love since this is where I discovered that all the dreams and goals we have can come true regardless of the circumstances, and that everything we see as impossible can become possible if we apply a little magic to it and believe in it.

The program inspired me and now I inspire my students!

Closing remarks

Open Q & A session.