

Meet Award-Winning Author Dennis Garcia: Las Madres, a Story of Inspiration and Hope

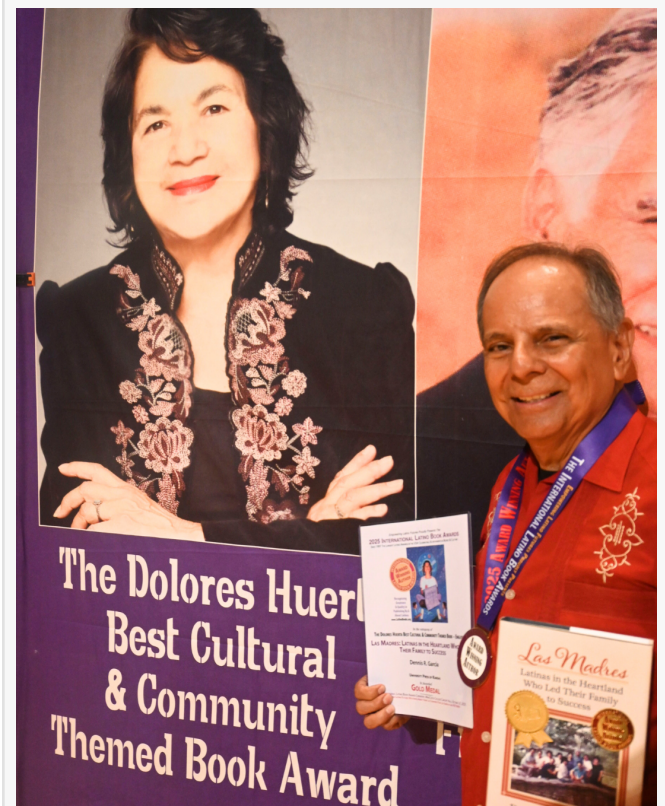
SACRAMENTO, CA, UNITED STATES, September 8, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Award-winning author Dennis Garcia will bring [Las Madres: Latinas in the Heartland Who Led Their Family to Success](#) to the Latino Book & Family Festival on October 10 at Valley High School in Sacramento. Garcia will meet readers in the festival's Authors Village, where copies of Las Madres will be available for purchase and signing throughout the day.

Las Madres is based on a true story centered on three generations of women who, despite poverty, racism, and hardship, built an extended family enriched by culture, hard work, faith, and education. The book traces their lives against a historical backdrop stretching from the Mexican Revolution to the experiences of Mexican American railroad families across the Midwest. It is an empowering story of hope and perseverance, told through everyday lives that required extraordinary character.

Las Madres [was named a 2025 Kansas Notable Book](#) by the State Library of Kansas. It also [received three International Latino Book Awards](#): the Dolores Huerta Gold Medal for Best Culture & Community Themed Book, the Mimi Lozano Gold Medal for Best Family History Book, and a Bronze Medal for Most Inspirational Nonfiction Book.

"I'm especially glad to bring Las Madres to a festival that celebrates Latino authors, readers, and families," Garcia said. "Although the book tells the story of the women in my own family, many of the experiences they faced are shared across generations of Latino and immigrant families. I look forward to meeting readers in Sacramento and hearing the family stories and connections the book brings to mind for them."

The Latino Book & Family Festival brings together authors, readers, and families for a community



Award-winning author Dennis Garcia will be on-site at the Latino Book & Family Festival in Sacramento

celebration of books, literacy, culture, and Latino voices. Garcia's appearance offers readers an opportunity to learn more about the family history behind Las Madres and the research, memories, photographs, and records that helped him preserve the experiences of the women featured in the book.

Garcia will have books available at the event for purchase and signing.

Event Details:

What: Sacramento Latino Book and Family Festival

Where: Authors Village, Valley High School, Sacramento, California

When: October 10, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Book Details

Title: Las Madres: Latinas in the Heartland Who Led Their Family to Success

Author: Dennis R. Garcia

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About the Author

Dennis Raphael Garcia, AWA, is a retired attorney, educator, and an acclaimed storyteller. With degrees from the University of New Mexico and the University of Kansas School of Law, Garcia's legal practice included civil and criminal law, and serving as a Judge Pro Tem. His writing captures the spirit of immigrant life in America, with Las Madres highlighting his family's incredible journey and paying tribute to Latina resilience.

For more information about Garcia, his books, and tour dates, visit

www.dennisraphaelgarcia.com. Garcia is available for interviews and speaking engagements.

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