

## 2011-12 NAHCC ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION



### **BRENNA DAVENPORT-LEIGH**

Brenna is owner of Hellbender Marketing & Media. Her roster includes the North American Tour of international artist Shawn Phillips, indie band The Floating Men, the Southern Gothic opera The Sighing Hours, and the Seattle-based Synergia NW, a project for youth orchestras. Davenport-Leigh was previously with Titley & Associates. Prior to joining that management firm, she headed the media department of RCA Records/Nashville. She is an alumnus of Leadership Music, a member of the Americana Association. She is former board member of the Comprehensive Care Center.



### **ALBA GONZALEZ NYLANDER**

Alba Gonzalez Nylander is owner of Alba Videos & majority partner in AJ Media Services of Franklin, TN. Alba is a 25 years veteran video producer of broadcast and professional media and has been active in assisting and promoting the interests of Hispanic women entrepreneurs in the state of Tennessee. Alba holds a B.A. degree in Broadcast Video, TV and Film Production from Columbia College. Alba has served as a key video technical engineer for Fox Sports, CBS, TNN, and the Spanish language television network Univision.

In 2010, Alba received the 'Hispanic Professional Achievement Award' from the Nashville Area Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Ana Maria Arias National Award by Latina Style Magazine.



### **SANTOS GONZALEZ**

A native from Puerto Rico, Santos Gonzalez is a business owner as well as Sales Manager for two Spanish language radio stations WMGC 810 AM/WKDA 900 AM. In 2008 Santos served in the NAHCC Public & Community Relations committee and contributed to civic engagement and voter registration initiatives such as Ya Es Hora TN. For his contributions to our community Santos received the NAHCC Hispanic Business Advocate Award during Hispanic Heritage Month last October 2008.



### **DR. GALEN HULL**

Dr. Hull is the founding Director of the Office of International Business Programs at Tennessee State University. He is a veteran development consultant with 40 years of experience in higher education and international development consulting with U.S. and foreign government agencies, non-governmental organizations, universities, and small businesses in over 30 African, Asian, Caribbean and Central and Eastern European countries. His areas of research and publication have included small business development, management education, and more recently globalization and international business. He is author of five books, the most recent of them *Crossing Cultures: Memoirs of a Traveling Man* (BookSurge, 2006).

Dr. received his Ph.D. and M.A. degrees in Political Science from Northwestern University in 1974; an M.A. in International Relations from American University in 1967, and a B.A. in History & Government from Texas Christian University in 1963. He has resided in Malawi, Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Sri Lanka; has completed consulting assignments in thirty countries, and traveled in over 80 countries. Dr. Hull is fluent in French. Dr. Hull is a founding member of the New Nashville Business Alliance and a member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Chinese Chamber of Commerce



### **DR. WILLIAM LUIS**

Born and raised in New York City, but did all of my post-secondary education outside of my immediate environment. I received a B.A. from the State University of New York at Binghamton, an M.A. from the University of Wisconsin at Madison, a second M.A. and Ph.D. from Cornell University. His research interests are nineteenth- and twentieth-century Latin American literature, Contemporary Spanish American, Caribbean, Afro-Hispanic, and Latino literatures.

William Luis has taught a variety of courses, including literary theory and criticism, and others co-listed with American, Afro-American, and Comparative Literature programs at Dartmouth College, the State University of New York at Binghamton, where he was director of the Latin American and Caribbean Area Studies Program, and Vanderbilt University. Dr. Luis has taught at Washington University in St. Louis, and at Yale University.



### **ANGEL ZUNIGA MARTINEZ**

Angel is managing director at the business consulting and holding company, Zunimar LLC, whose primary asset will be Fiesta Auto Insurance and Tax Prep Franchise stores. Angel holds Series 6 & 63, real estate affiliate broker, and life/health/property/casualty insurance licenses. Martinez, a fourth generation South Texas native and Marketing graduate from Texas A&M University, is a fifteen year banking veteran having worked with Norwest and NationsBank in Fort Worth, Texas, and private banking divisions for Bank of America and Fifth Third Bank in Nashville. Martinez worked most recently as a Private Banker at Regions. and is a graduate of UT's Leadership Plenty. He is one of the founders and current President of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of East Tennessee; Angel's work contributed to the Chamber earning the KAUL 2010 Minority Business of the Year Award. Angel has been active in Knoxville Urban League of Young Professionals, Downtown YMCA,

Downtown Rotary Club of Knoxville, and the Bijou Theatre board.



### **ROXANNE MORENO**

Roxanne Moreno and her husband opened Siete Mares restaurant in 1996. In 2005 she expanded her business to include Fantasy Hall, a banquet facility located in South Nashville's Antioch neighborhood. Roxanna Velasquez owner of Siete Mares Restaurant received the Nashville Area Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Hispanic Business Achievement Award in 2010