

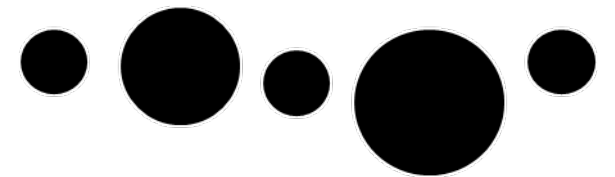
A Conversation with Poet Juan Felipe Herrera

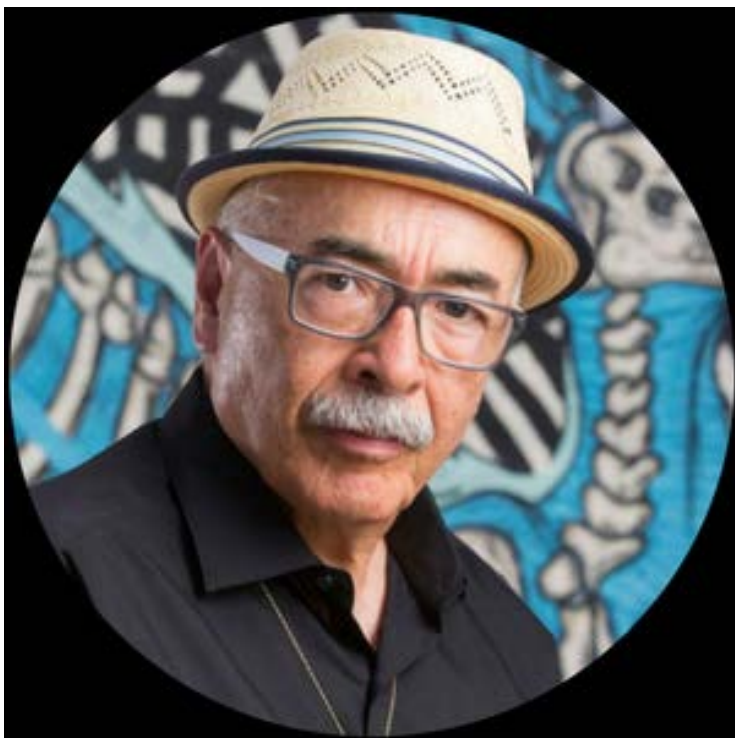


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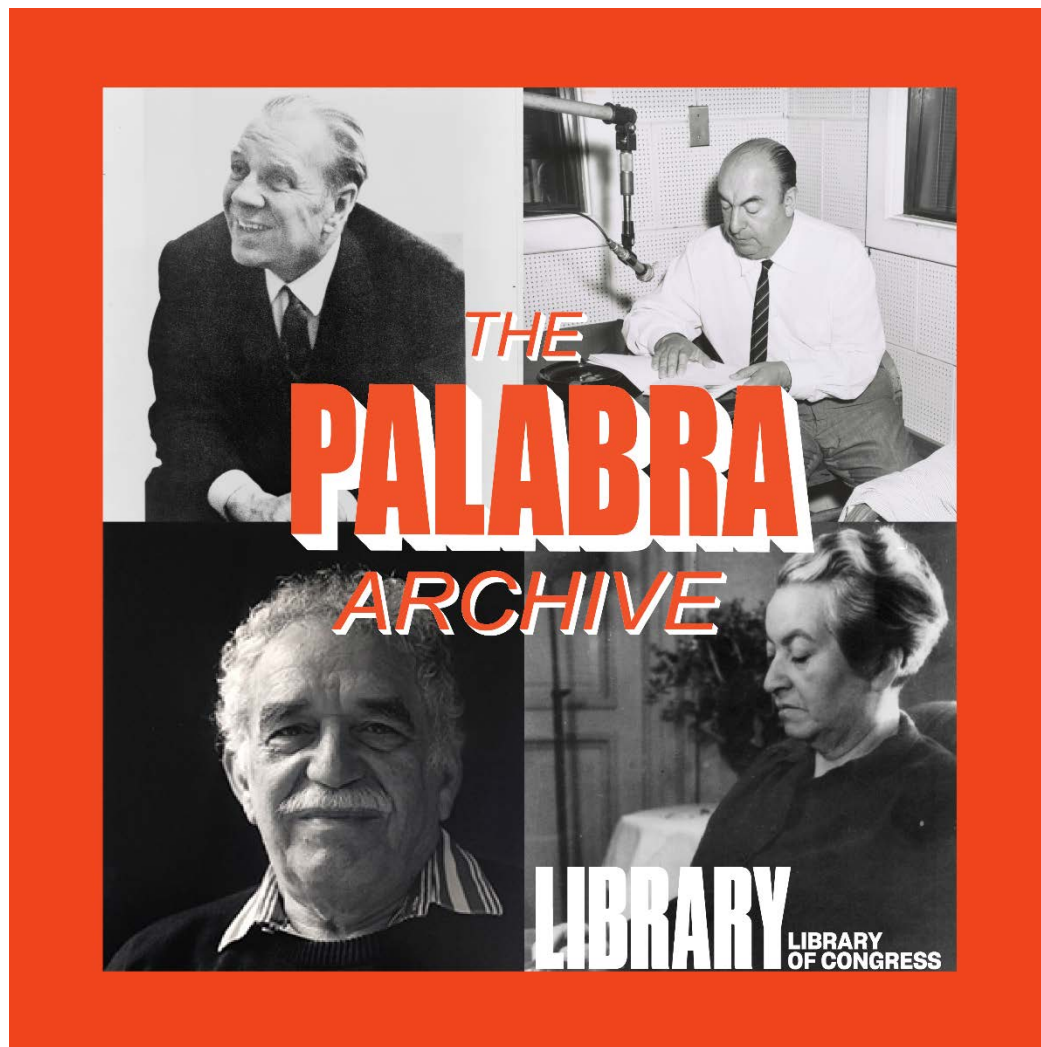




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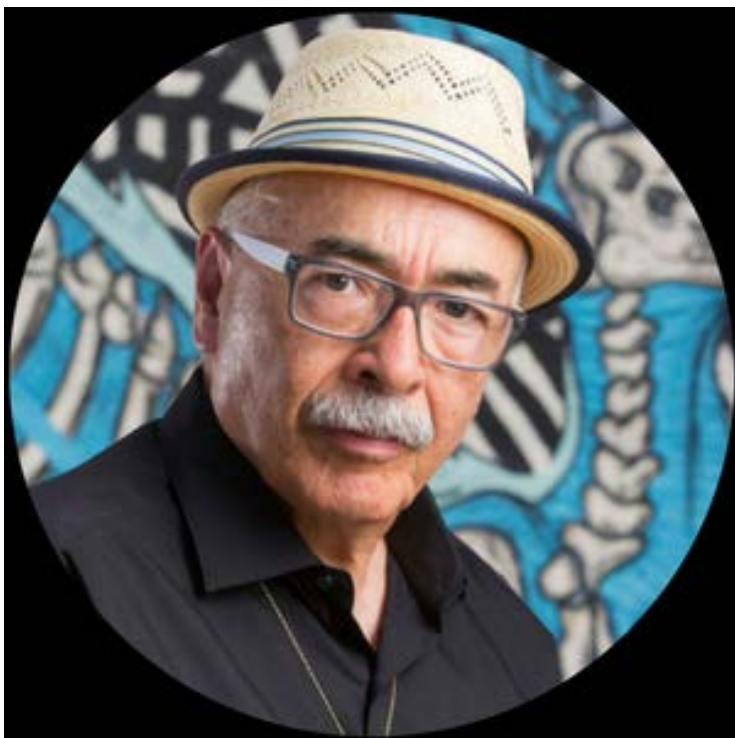
Accessing the PALABRA Archive

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with the Library of Congress logo and a search bar. Below the navigation, the page title is "The PALABRA Archive". There are two tabs: "About this Collection" (selected) and "Collection Items". Under "Featured Content", there is a carousel of five featured authors with their names and a brief description of their work. Below the carousel, there is a section titled "About this Collection" with a sub-section "Listen to this page".

The PALABRA Archive Online Feature contains a portion of the archive available for online streaming.

The PALABRA Archive Research Guide provides reference to the complete archive.

The screenshot shows the "RESEARCH GUIDES" section of the website. The main heading is "The PALABRA Archive at the Library of Congress". Below the heading, there is an "Introduction" section with a text block and a photograph of a man reading. To the left of the main text, there is a sidebar with a list of categories: "Recorded Authors", "South America - Recordings", "Central America - Recordings", "North America - Recordings", "The Caribbean - Recordings", "Europe - Recordings", "Africa - Recordings", "Spotlight on U.S./Hispanic Writers", "La Biblioteca Podcast", and "Hispanic Reading Room". At the bottom of the sidebar, there is a "Caribbean, Iberian & Latin American Studies" section with an "Ask a Librarian" button. The main text block contains an "Introduction" section with a text block and a photograph of a man reading. Below the text block, there is a "FEATURED RECORDING" section with a video player showing a recording of Gabriel García Márquez reading from his work.



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Juan Felipe Herrera
21st Poet Laureate Consultant
in Poetry

Poem: “[Let Us Gather
in a Flourishing Way]”



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[Let Us Gather in a Flourishing Way]

BY [JUAN FELIPE HERRERA](#)

Let us gather in a flourishing way
with sunluz grains abriendo los cantos
que cargamos cada día
en el young pasto nuestro cuerpo
para regalar y dar feliz perlas pearls
of corn flowing árboles de vida en las cuatro esquinas
let us gather in a flourishing way
contentos llenos de fuerza to vida
giving nacimientos to fragrant ríos
dulces frescos verdes turquoise strong
carne de nuestros hijos rainbows
let us gather in a flourishing way
en la luz y en la carne of our heart to toil
tranquilos in fields of blossoms
juntos to stretch los brazos
tranquilos with the rain en la mañana
temprana estrella on our forehead
cielo de calor and wisdom to meet us
where we toil siempre
in the garden of our struggle and joy
let us offer our hearts a saludar our águila rising
freedom



Pablo Neruda

Chilean Poet

1971 Nobel Laureate—
Literature

Poem: selection from
“The Heights of Machu Picchu”



Octavio Paz

Mexican Poet and Essayist

1990 Nobel Laureate—Literature

Poem: “Proverbs”

Thank you!

Questions? Post them in the chat box!

