

Pat Mora



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“**M**y life just wouldn't be *my* life without books. I wouldn't be *me*. The possibility of bringing others bookjoy is a thrill.”

—Pat Mora

Pat Mora is the author of the Pura Belpré Author Honor Book *Doña Flor*, and *Tomás and the Library Lady*, an IRA Teachers' Choice and a Texas Bluebonnet Master List Selection.

About the Author

Pat is a popular national speaker shaped by the U.S.-Mexico border where she was born and spent much of her life. She speaks often at conferences, universities, and schools about the writing process, family literacy, and leadership.

In Fall 2006, she will receive an Honorary Doctorate in Letters from Buffalo State College (SUNY). Among her other honors are the 2006 National Hispanic Cultural Center Literary Award, The University of Texas at El Paso's Distinguished Alumna for 2004, and a Civitella Ranieri Fellowship to write in Italy. Pat was also a Visiting Carruthers Chair at the University of New Mexico. She has

been recipient and judge of the Poetry Fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts and a recipient and advisor of the Kellogg National Leadership Fellowships. An administrator and museum director at her alma mater, UT El Paso, she has taught English at all levels.

The mother of three adult children, she enjoys family/friend time, reading, gardening, cooking, museums, and the wonder of the natural world when she travels and when she returns to her home in beautiful Santa Fe, NM.

Praise for:

DOÑA FLOR

"Economical, poetic text with vivid, fanciful touches. . . .

A winning read-aloud, particularly for children who can recognize the intermittent Spanish phrases."—*Booklist*

A LIBRARY FOR JUANA

"This lovingly produced picture-book biography of Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz features a fresh subject and introduces young American audiences to an important figure in Mexico's literary history."

—*The Horn Book*

TOMÁS AND THE LIBRARY LADY

"A gentle text and innovative artwork depict a pivotal summer in a boy's life when he and his family leave their Texas home for farmwork in Iowa.

. . . Spanish words slip in naturally and unobtrusively throughout Mora's text as she focuses on the snug library and the books that fire Tomás' imagination, and on his friendship with the librarian."

—*Publishers Weekly*

Book List



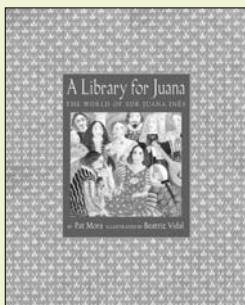
DOÑA FLOR

Illustrated by Raul Colón
Ages 4–8 • Alfred A. Knopf
978-0-375-82337-4 (0-375-82337-9)
GLB: 978-0-375-92337-1 (0-375-92337-3)
• A Pura Belpré Illustrator Award Winner
• A Pura Belpré Author Honor Book
• An ALA Notable Children's Book

Spanish edition:

DOÑA FLOR

Dragonfly Books
978-0-440-41768-2 (0-440-41768-6)
GLB: 978-0-679-98002-5 (0-679-98002-4)



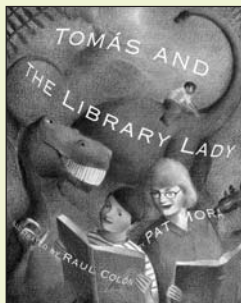
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Illustrated by Beatriz Vidal
Ages 5–8 • Alfred A. Knopf
978-0-375-80643-8 (0-375-80643-1)
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• A Tomás Rivera Mexican American Children's Book Award Winner

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