## 150-word bio

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His award-winning plays include *Luchadora!*, *On The Wings of a Mariposa*, and *Carmela Full of Wishes*. Other plays include *Piggsville*, *The Day the Music Came Back*, and *Like a Jet-Fueled Mariposa*.

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