

# In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, “Many Backgrounds, Many Stories...One American Spirit”

The U.S. Department of State’s Hispanic Employees Council of Foreign Affairs Agencies (HECFAA), the Office of Civil Rights, and the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs invite you to join us for a conversation with

## MARÍA ELENA SALINAS from Univision



### “I Am My Father’s Daughter”

**Date:**  
Wednesday, September 21, 2011

**Time:**  
12:30 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.

**Location:**  
**DEAN ACHESON AUDITORIUM**  
U.S. Department of State  
2201 C Street, NW  
(23<sup>rd</sup> Street Entrance – Between C and D Streets)

Non-State employees must RSVP to [JordanDA3@State.Gov](mailto:JordanDA3@State.Gov) by 3 p.m. on September 19, with the following information: 1) full name, 2) date of birth, 3) drivers license number, and 4) state of issuance. Seating will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis.



Univision Network Anchor María Elena Salinas is the most recognized Hispanic female journalist in the United States. Called by The New York Times, “the voice of Hispanic America”, Salinas has informed millions of Hispanics in the United States and 18 countries in Latin America for 3 decades. As co-anchor of the highly rated “Noticiero Univision” and the primetime news magazine “Aqui y Ahora” (Here and Now), Salinas has handled some of the most challenging assignments in modern day journalism. Salinas’ work has earned her several journalistic awards including four Emmys. She was also part of the Univision news team that received the Edward R. Murrow Award for the network’s coverage of the Atlanta Olympic Park bombings. She has interviewed every U.S. President since Jimmy Carter and has been face to face with dozens of Latin American heads of state, rebel leaders, and dictators. In 2007 Salinas made history co-hosting the first ever Democratic and Republican presidential candidate Forums in Spanish on the Univision Network. In 2006, her memoir entitled “I Am My Father’s Daughter: Living A Life Without Secrets” was published, receiving critical acclaim and making the best seller lists for Spanish-language books on several occasions.