Boricua Béisbol at the Long Center

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Nothing brings family, cultural pride and a love of sports together in Puerto Rico like baseball. This holiday season, Austinites will get a peek into Puerto Rico’s rich heritage and history with the bilingual musical comedy, Boricua Béisbol.

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Each year, the Puerto Rican Folkloric Dance presents original musicals as part of a series called Sembrando Herencia or planting heritage that brings to the forefront often-forgotten parts of Puerto Rico’s history. "It’s important for us to share our traditions with all of Central Texas, but also to hand it down to younger generations," Maynard said.

Sembrando Herencia 2011—Boricua Béisbol
Sunday, December 4 at 3pm
Long Center for the Performing Arts, Rollins Studio Theatre
General admission $12 adults (advance)/$14 (door), $7 children (12 & under), free for children 2 and under
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