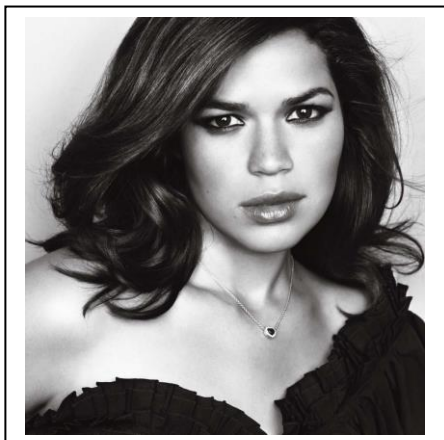


Emmy Award-Winning Actress America Ferrera To Be Keynote Speaker For The Women's Foundation of Colorado 21st Annual Denver Luncheon

DENVER, Colo. (May 31, 2013) – The Women's Foundation of Colorado announces America Ferrera will be the keynote speaker for its 21st Annual Denver Luncheon to be held October 24, 2013 at the Colorado Convention Center in Denver.

America Ferrera is best known for her fearless portrayal as 'Betty Suarez' on ABC's hit comedy *Ugly Betty*. This breakthrough role has earned Ferrera an Emmy®, Golden Globe® and Screen Actors Guild Award along with other awards.



She may currently be seen in the film *It's a Disaster* and will next star in the film *Chavez* which centers on the civil rights activist and labor organizer Cesar Chavez. Ferrera is currently starring in and producing the independent film called *X/Y* opposite Amber Tamblyn. Past films include *End of Watch*, *Real Women Have Curves*, *The Dry Land*, *How to Train Your Dragon* and *Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants 1 and 2*. On the West End, Ferrera starred in the musical *Chicago* and off-Broadway in *BETHANY*.

Ferrera appeared in PBS's *Half the Sky*, served as an artist ambassador for Save The Children, and recently visited Honduras on behalf of the organization ONE in support of women facing the challenges of extreme poverty. She also served as an ambassador on a campaign called "America4America" joining Voto Latino, the leading non-partisan national youth empowerment organization.

"We are thrilled to host America Ferrera as our Denver Luncheon's keynote speaker and the first Latina speaker in our event's history," said Louise Atkinson, President and CEO of The Women's Foundation of Colorado. "America will bring wonderful energy and a dynamic message of inspiration for women of all ages and backgrounds."

Who: The Women's Foundation of Colorado
What: 21st Annual Denver Luncheon with Keynote Speaker America Ferrera
When: Thursday, October 24, 2013 / 11:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.
Where: Colorado Convention Center – Denver, CO

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