The Latin American Studies Center and the Department of Spanish and Portuguese

“THE MARIA GUARDADO STORY”

AWARDS
2002 VOCES CONTRA EL SILENCIO DOCUMENTARY FILM FESTIVAL, MEXICO CITY
2002 CAMBRIDGE LATINO FILM FESTIVAL
2002 NEW YORK LATINO FILM FESTIVAL
2004 LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION AWARD OF MERIT IN FILM

Special Appearance by: Randy Vasquez and Maria Guardado

A Film By Randy Vasquez
Best known for his role in the CBS hit series, JAG, as Gunnery Sergeant Victor Galindez

This documentary recounts the story of Maria Guardado, a Salvadoran political activist. Ms. Guardado was kidnapped and brutally tortured by CIA-assisted death squads. She is in her late 60s and currently lives in Los Angeles. This documentary also records her first return to El Salvador in twenty years where she confronts her past and draws her inspiration for her tireless struggle for social justice.