

# *La Casita* (The Little House)

written, produced, directed by Perla de Leon



starring Ashley Cabarcas Max Norat Jim Santangelli Dennis Vargas

First time filmmaker, Perla de Leon, has written a personal story that captures the struggles and human spirit of a working class community in New York City. Inspired by a personal tragedy, this short story introduces us to a traditional community where neighbors spend their free time farming and socializing in little wooden houses known as "casitas". In the summer of '97 everything changes when an accident at a job site ends the life of a close friend and neighbor. A seven year girl will turn tragedy into spiritual strength and hope for her grandpa and community.