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A powerful woman addressing key issues in her life, and in the lives of her audience.

Blue Box

February 26 – March 3, 2013

February 26, 2013 – The Shumiatcher Sandbox Series 12|13 presents *Blue Box* – an exciting and passionate story told by an equally passionate woman.

An intimate and sensual story of lust and revolution set in Chile, Los Angeles and Vancouver, *Blue Box* weaves together two stories: one from Carmen's underground work in the 1980's Chilean resistance movement; the other of a passionate and complicated relationship with a charismatic Chicano actor, each exploring how to get what we want when no one wants us to get it. Funny, sexual, moving and deeply political, *Blue Box* reveals a woman committed to a cause to which she could have sacrificed her life, and committed to a man who refused to sacrifice anything for anyone. Take Carmen's charisma and vivid storytelling, add a few shots of Latin music, a salsa dance break with the audience, and you have *Blue Box*.

Carmen Aguirre is a Vancouver-based theatre artist whose plays have been seen in North and South America. She has sixty film, TV and stage acting credits. Her book *Something Fierce: Memoirs of a Revolutionary Daughter* won CBC Canada Reads 2012 and has gone on to become a national best-seller. *Blue Box* is based on the same life experiences as this celebrated memoir.

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Media Fact Sheet:

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Produced by Nightswimming (Toronto) in association with Newworld Theatre (Vancouver)

Written and performed by Carmen Aguirre

Directed by Brian Quirt

- **Blue Box** premiered at Great Canadian Theatre Company (Ottawa) in February 2012 en route to The Clutch (Vancouver), Aluna Theatre (Toronto) and Magnetic North Theatre Festival (Calgary)
- Carmen is also an instructor working with aboriginal youth, who teaches classes on Theatre of the Oppressed.
- Tickets for this production start at \$20.
- Globe Theatre acknowledges **Drs. Morris & Jacqui Shumiatcher** for their generous donation, which enables the bold, imaginative traditions of the Shumiatcher Sandbox Series to grow and develop.