

ASU Book Group



Wed., **Sep. 28**, 2016 @ 12-1 p.m.

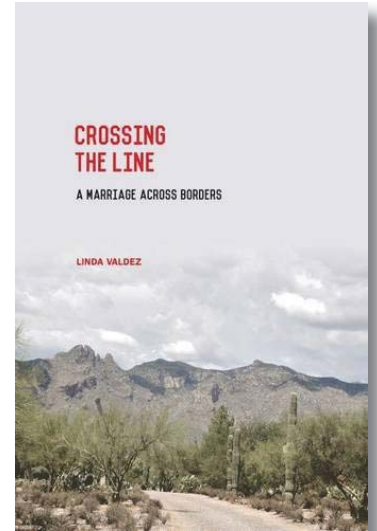
Piper Writers House (PWH)

Arizona State University, Tempe campus

discussing

Crossing the Line: A Marriage across Borders

by **Linda Valdez**



Not a typical immigration story, *Crossing the Line* is told by a middle-class American woman who falls in love with the son of an impoverished family from rural Mexico—a man who crosses the border illegally to be with her.

Married in 1988, Linda and Sixto Valdez learn to love each other's very different families and cultures, raising their child to walk proudly in both worlds. *Crossing the Line* cuts through the fears and preconceptions that fuel the continuing political turmoil over immigration.

The book is available at amazon.com

A finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for editorial writing in 2003, **Linda Valdez** is a columnist and editorial writer at the *Arizona Republic/azcentral.com*. She has written extensively about immigration and border issues. Her commentary opposing Arizona's infamous anti-immigration laws earned her the Scripps Howard Walker Stone Award for editorial writing in 2011.

**open to all
in the ASU
community**

**meet the
author!**

The ASU Book Group meets monthly from 12 Noon –1 p.m. in the Piper Writers House on ASU's Tempe campus. **Authors are always present.** Meetings and selections for 2016-2017 include **Sep. 28** (Linda Valdez: *Crossing the Line: A Marriage across Borders*); **Oct. 26** (Matt Bell: *Scrapper*); **Nov. 30** (Betty E. Hammer Joy: *Angela Hutchinson Hammer: Arizona's Pioneer Newspaperwoman*); **Jan. 25** (Michael Smith: *At Home with the Aztecs: An Archaeologist Uncovers Their Daily Life*); **Feb. 22** (Tara Ison: *Ball*); **Mar. 29** (Martin Beck Matušík: *Out of Silence: Repair across Generations*); and **Apr. 26** (Melissa Pritchard: *A Solemn Pleasure: To Imagine, Witness, and Write*). Additional selections TBD.

The ASU Book Group is sponsored by the **Department of English** and organized in partnership with the Virginia G. Piper Center for Creative Writing as a community outreach initiative. More information: jps@asu.edu

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