

CASA CUPULA SIGNS CYNTHIA LEE FONTAINE TO HEADLINE ITS QUINCEAÑERA

'Cucu' to perform at Puerto Vallarta luxury LGBT hotel's 15th anniversary bash on January 19

New York, November 9th, 2017: Cynthia Lee Fontaine, undisputed Miss Congeniality of hit reality TV show "RuPaul's Drag Race," has been selected by the team at legendary Puerto Vallarta boutique hotel Casa Cupula to headline the property's highly anticipated *quinceañera* — or 15th anniversary —celebration, to take place January 19, 2018. Tickets start at 300 pesos (approximately US\$16) per person (visit www.casacupula.com/cucu).

Cynthia, better known as "Cucu," appeared in the popular U.S.-based drag reality competition in Seasons 8 and 9, and is known for her mixture on Latin and camp performance. At Casa Cupula, she will perform Jan. 19 and will also host Casa Cupula's new "Adam & Steve" party on Saturday January 20. This event takes place in the property's new Pool Club (www.casacupula.com/poolclub), where Cucu will host a challenge to find a "Steve" for Adam that afternoon.

"Cynthia Lee Fontaine's brand of performance is the perfect match to our celebration and a *quinceañera*'s natural campiness," said Casa Cupula founder Don Pickens. "RuPaul's Drag Race has completely revolutionized the way the world sees the [drag] art form, and Cucu is one of the queens at the forefront of this second coming of RuPaul's world domination. We are excited to have such an internationally celebrated personality join us."

Casa Cupula, Puerto Vallarta's legendary LGBT resort, is celebrating its 15th birthday throughout the season, starting with a party featuring the Desperate Princesses of Puerto Vallarta on Friday, November 24 at 9pm. A *quinceañera* is one of the most important Mexican celebrations, presenting a birthday girl to society at the age of 15 (http://www.casacupula.com/15-year-anniversary).

Casa Cupula opened as Mexico's first high-end LGBTQ property in 2002. In the years since, the 5 bedroom guesthouse and oasis for gay travelers has grown into an 18-room full resort. It has played an integral role in elevating Puerto Vallarta's reputation as Mexico's gay vacation mecca, by catering to sophisticated LGBT travelers.

"We have been part of a great movement to modernize the image of Puerto Vallarta by showcasing the contemporary and luxurious offerings found in our Romantic Zone, Puerto Vallarta's 'gayborhood,"" Pickens added. "Today, Vallarta is proud to be one of the most important international gay destinations, and Casa Cupula is consistently rated among the top hotels of any kind in Vallarta."

During the property's 15-year run, it has continuously updated its offerings adding Pump Gym & Spa, Taste Restaurant (featuring creative Mexican cuisine at www.taste.com.mx) and the new Pool Club this month. Also this month, the property opens its new "Frida Suite," honoring the style of the iconic, early 20th century Mexican artist Frida Kahlo. Designed to reflect Kahlo's love for Mexican traditions and culture, the suite will be easily accessible for those with different abilities.

Casa Cupula invites past and new guests to join in on the celebration, enjoying a fourth night free on stays from Nov. 27 to Dec.19. For more information and to book, please visit <u>www.casacupula.com</u>. For photos, <u>please click here</u>.