

Contributors

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LASTESIS is a Chilean interdisciplinary women’s collective consisting of Daffne Valdés Vargas, Paula Cometa Stange, Lea Cáceres Díaz, and Sibila Sotomayor Van Rysseghem. The collective is focused on disseminating feminist theory and thought by means of performances. These artistic interventions leverage different approaches in the performing arts, employing sounds, choreography, graphics, and textile design. The performance “Un Violador en tu Camino,” created by LASTESIS, was reproduced by women all over the world as a form to performatively respond to and resist gender-based sexual violence.

La Reyna y La Real are: **La Real** (Yadira Pintado Lazcano) was born in the neighborhood of Jesus Maria in Havana and studied psychology. Before she decided to dedicate herself to music, she trained as a social worker. **La Reyna** (Reyna Hernández Sandoval) was born in the Havana neighborhood of Luyanó. She is a technician in Industrial Chemistry and a mother of one. The two artists

met at the rap club Club Karachi led by DJ Neuris. After collaborating on several songs and stage performances, they decided to join as a duo in 2012, making the group official in 2013. So far, the duo has published the albums *Beef con Kriño* (2015), *Miky y Repa* (2017, TumiMusic) *Mírame* (2020), and *Dale Espacio* (2021). They are considered the most well-known feminist rap group of the second generation, performing e.g. at the gala of the Jornada of the Plataforma Afrofeminista Cubana. In 2022 and 2023, La Reyna y La Real toured Europe and gave concerts in Berlin and at several Swedish venues.

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1 <https://medium.com/@victoriagonzalezrivera/why-my-nicaraguan-father-did-not-see-his-blackness-and-how-latinx-anti-black-racism-feeds-on-738249ddd100>



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