



¡Ven al **Día del Libro!**

**A Day of Books, Roses, Poetry, Cinema, Jazz, Dance, Gifts,
Spanish Food & Wine... and lots of fun!**

Instituto Cervantes. 19 de abril de 2008. From 10 am to midnight
Admission is Free!

Books Gone Wild at Instituto Cervantes!

It's a mad, mad day on April 19 as Instituto Cervantes lets out the books at the Día Internacional del Libro (International Book Day) celebrations. From 10 am to 12 midnight, bibliophiles can get their hands on a wide selection of books – children and young adult titles, dictionaries, novels, and non-fiction titles – at the Día del Libro book fair!

Brand new books are available at even madder prices, going for as low as Php20.00. And to make the deal even sweeter, Instituto Cervantes gives a red rose with every purchase.

Also get a chance to mingle with your favorite authors as they grace this event, signing copies of their latest works. Anvil Publishing, A Different Bookstore, and Powerbooks are also there, offering books at a huge 20% discount!

In addition to all these, get to taste the rich Spanish culture with film showings, and a dance concert featuring renowned choreographer and dance master, Myra Beltran. Free Spanish lessons and guided tours await visitors during this whole day event. Spanish language courses are also offered at a 15% discount (valid for certain schedules; limited slots only) for both old and new students.

Día del Libro also features the *Cadena de poemas*, a 2-hour non-stop poetry reading that starts at 3:30 pm. Anyone can take part in this poetic chain; just bring a poem of your choice, in any language, and read it out loud. Participants in the Cadena de poemas will receive a gift from Instituto Cervantes.

And in the evening, Instituto Cervantes transforms into party central as fabulous dance performances, overflowing Spanish food, and festive Latin music cap off Día del Libro. It's going to be nothing but fun, fun, fun as we go all out with books, roses, food, wine, music, and dance!

All this is in celebration of Día Internacional del Libro (International Book Day), an event that aims to promote the love for reading and the written word. Regularly observed on the 23rd of April, International Book Day was inspired by a tradition from Barcelona, Spain that celebrates St. George's Day, where men and women exchange a rose for the gift of a book.

Día del Libro is presented by Instituto Cervantes, in collaboration with the Embassy of Spain, Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha, Fundación Miguel Hernández and Manila's leading bookstores and Spanish restaurants. Catch the festivities on April 19, 2008, from 10 am until midnight at 855 T.M. Kalaw St., Ermita, Manila. For more information, please call Instituto Cervantes at 526.1482 or log on to manila.cervantes.es.