



"An Intimate Evening with Jessica Pimentel"

Star of Orange Is The New Black

SATURDAY, JULY 29TH

7:00 - 9:30 P.M.



Toivo's is proud to present an intimate evening with Orange Is The New Black star, Jessica Pimentel. In her talk, Jessica will share her story of growing up in NYC, finding punk rock/hardcore music and the affect that had on her formative years, as well as finding Buddhism/Dharma and how that continues to play an integral role in her overall wellbeing. She will also lead attendees in very basic and accessible meditation instruction, talk about her career as an actress on Orange Is The New Black (and other shows), the importance of working with our youth in various capacities to help encourage the expression of their creative passions, hold a Q&A with the audience, and much more.

Jessica's Bio: Jessica Pimentel, best known for her role as Maria Ruiz on the Netflix original series *Orange Is the New Black*, returns to Season 5. The Brooklyn born and raised native is the daughter of Dominican immigrants. Her heritage also includes Taino Indian and African. Blessed with gorgeous looks and extreme talent on-screen, many would be surprised to learn the Latina goddess is also the front woman for the metal band, Alekhine's Gun, as well as a trained classical violinist.

Pimentel has taken the performance route of most New York Natives, spending much of her early career performing on stage in the city. She was recently seen in the American Stage production of the Pulitzer Prize winning play *Anna in the Tropics* and Shakespeare Theater's production of *A Very Old Man With Enormous Wings* adapted by Nilo Cruz. Additionally, she recently filmed *Pride and Glory* with Colin Farrell (directed by Gavin O'Connor) and *Illegal Tender* directed by Franc Reyes and produced by John Singleton. Her next role is the movie *A Bread Factory* from directors Patrick Wang and Vanishing Angle and currently filming *Orange is the New Black Season 6*.

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TICKETS:

\$25, Early Bird Registration - Must be received by July 15th

\$30, At the Door - Must RSVP by July 25th

Sorry, NO credit cards accepted/Checks or Cash ONLY (Please, do not mail cash)

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