**The Cartographer. Warsaw, 1: 400,000**” – text and direction Juan Mayorga.

**A moving Spanish play about the lost map of the Warsaw Ghetto. It will be staged for the first time in the city it talks about. In one of the two main roles Blanca Portillo, actress known from the movies of Pedro Almodóvar.**

**Juan Mayorga**, outstanding Spanish playwright and director, philosopher and mathematician, member of the prestigious Spanish Royal Academy. In 2008 he came to Warsaw and by accident visited the Nożyk synagogue, where an exhibition of photos from the Warsaw ghetto was being presented. He decided to track down the places and streets immortalized in the pictures. Hence the idea to write a play about the ghetto map. Mayorga created the character of an old cartographer trying to draw a map that would convey the realities of life in this horrifying space where people kill each other for a sachet of sugar. The cast includes two outstanding Spanish actors: **Blanca Portillo Martínez de Velasco** (known in Poland from Pedro Almodóvar's Broken Embraces and Volver) who came to Poland three years ago to visit the places Mayorga talks about, and **José Luis García-Pérez**. The drama is narrated from two perspectives - war - through the story of an old cartographer and his granddaughter living in the Warsaw ghetto, and the contemporary one - around the personal tragedy of Raul, a diplomat who came to Warsaw to take up a post, and his wife Blanka.

The play is staged in Spanish with translation into Polish by **Marta Jordan.**

The Cartographer is one of the many theatrical events to which the organizers of the **15th Jewish Culture Festival - Singer's Warsaw** invite you. The festival runs from August 24 till September 1. Polish and European theatres, performances for adults, children and entire families. Small and large theatrical forms. Plays that ask the most difficult existential questions and spectacles full of music and songs.

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