

The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love



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In 1949, two young Cuban musicians, brothers Cesar and Nestor, leave Havana for New York. By day they work hard, by night they are the Mambo Kings: packing out clubs, dance halls and theatres with their sensuous, pulsing Latin music. This is the captivating story of charming, vivacious womanizer Cesar and quiet, romantic Nestor - still nursing an unrequited love for 'beautiful Maria of my soul' - and their changing fortunes as they try to make it big in America.

作者介绍:

Oscar Hijuelos (born August 24, 1951) is an American novelist. He is the first Hispanic to

win a Pulitzer Prize for Fiction.

Hijuelos was born in New York City, in Morningside Heights, Manhattan, to Cuban immigrant parents. He attended the Corpus Christi School, public schools, and later attended Bronx Community College, Lehman College, and Manhattan Community College before matriculating into and studying writing at the City College of New York (B.A., 1975; M.A. in Creative Writing, 1976). He then practiced various professions before taking up writing full time. His first novel, *Our House in the Last World*, was published in 1983 and received the 1985 Rome Prize, awarded by the American Academy in Rome. His second novel, *The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love*, received the 1990 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction. It was adapted for the film *The Mambo Kings* in 1992 and as a Broadway musical in 2005.

Hijuelos has taught at Hofstra University and is currently affiliated with Duke University, where he is a member of the faculty of the Department of English.

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