



## Carl Hayden High School Falcon Robotics Team

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### **Falcon Robotics to Receive Latinos De Hoy Award**

**Hosted by the Los Angeles Times**

**What:** Carl Hayden Robotics Team will receive Education Award during Red Carpet Event

**When:** Saturday October 11, 2014

**Time:** 6:00PM – 9:00PM PST

**Location:** Chandler Auditorium – 202 W 1<sup>st</sup> Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

**Who:** Falcon Robotics Alumni featured in the film Underwater Dreams: Luis Aranda, Maria Castro and Dulce Matuz

**LOS ANGELES, CA** – Los Angeles Times is recognizing the Carl Hayden Falcon Robotics Team featured in Underwater Dreams documentary. The film details the journey of four undocumented high school teenagers that in 2004 competed against and beat M.I.T among other prestigious engineering universities in an underwater robotics competition. This movie underscores the importance of the passage of the federal DREAM Act, STEM education and the legacy it has left for students at Carl Hayden High School.

Other honorees at the Latinos de Hoy Awards are Oscar de la Hoya, Sheila E, Eugenio Derbez & Angelica Maria, among others, for the contributions to the Hispanic culture in the USA.

“I’m humbled to be receiving this award on behalf of the robotics team, I’m privileged to have participated in the program and I really hope that other schools implement STEM programs for students like me, who otherwise would not have been exposed to Science, Technology, Engineering and Math”. -Luis Aranda, Falcon Robotics Team Alumni stated.

“The Carl Hayden Falcon Robotics Team not only develops engineers, but it also develops leaders who are ready to solve the world’s problems. No matter what the issue, our coaches taught us that we need to stand up for what we want and stop at nothing to achieve our goals, even in the face of major obstacles like poverty and lack of immigration status.” -Maria Castro, Falcon Robotics Team Alumni.

“The biggest act of non-violent civil disobedience of our generation is getting an education”. Students from low income, disfranchised, underrepresented minority communities have low expectations. The Robotics team raised the bar by teaching us that we are capable of changing the world and giving opportunities to the new generation of DREAMers.” -Dulce Matuz, Falcon Robotics Team Alumni said.

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**Trailer:** <http://vimeo.com/m/89303917>  
**Website:** [www.UnderwaterDreamsFilm.com](http://www.UnderwaterDreamsFilm.com)