



## Closing the Gap: Diversity in the Video Game and Tech Industries

Join us on Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> as we recognize the winners of the Entertainment Software Association (ESA) – Leaders On Fast Track (LOFT) Video Game Innovation Fellowship, and honor Congressional leadership in Innovation and STEM fields across the U.S.

Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015  
House Visitors Center Room 215  
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Innovation and developments in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) are crucial to our nation's international competitiveness.

Our panel will speak to the booming gaming industry, STEM careers and how they can be honed to advance grassroots campaigns for social good. Today's youth have the ingenuity and creativity to best communicate with their peers on challenges they face with bullying, poverty, health, civil rights and more.

Moderator: **Antonio Tijerino**, CEO & President of the Hispanic Heritage Foundation (HHF)

Opening remarks: **Rich Taylor**, Senior Vice President, the Entertainment Software Association

Panelists:

- o **Ana Roca Castro**, Founder of Latinos in Tech Innovation and Social Media (LATISM)
- o **Marco Davis**, Deputy Director of the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics
- o **Michael Echols**, Director, Cyber Joint Program Management Office at US Department of Homeland Security
- o **Marilu Duque**, 2014 ESA LOFT Fellow, Polytechnic School of Engineering major at New York University

Special remarks by: Rep. Ruben Gallego (AZ-7), Rep. Ben Ray Lujan (NM-3), and Rep. Marc Veasey (TX-33)

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