

CELEBRATION SLAM POEM

TEAM: The Roasted Crabs

Group set up on stage. MICHAEL stands in the audience waiting for his ques. DARIUS stands on Downstage left. JOSE stands on Downstage right. DARIUS enters from Upstage Right and JOSE enters from Upstage Left.

DARIUS and JOSE walk slowly to the microphones.with an inspirational look .

JOSE: I remember when I was younger I had all these great memories

DARIUS: Watching kid shows

MICHAEL: Playing with Toy cars

JOSE: Playing hide and seek

MICHAEL: Those good old days seem to come by

DARIUS: As we get older things start to change

JOSE: And with age comes

JOSE: Challenges

DARIUS: Pressure

DARIUS,JOSE,MICHAEL: Maturity

DARIUS: Love

JOSE: I keep moving from place to place but I want to stay in one place and that's here

DARIUS: Am I supposed to do what everyone tells me to do?

JOSE: Why did you have to leave me and go back to your hometown and not come back. Can't you come back so we can be happy again. When you did come back you were not the same.

MICHAEL: *I only see my goals, I don't believe in failure
'Cause I know the smallest voices, they can make it major
I got my boys with me, at least those in favor
And if we don't meet before I leave, I hope I'll see you later

DARIUS : Later?

MICHAEL: *I always had that dream, like my daddy before me
So I started writing songs, I started writing stories
Something about that glory just always seemed to bore me
'Cause only those I really love will ever really know me*

MICHAEL: Songs, the form of art that can really touch people. I remember when singing used to be a freetime hobby. Now it just seems like a chore. Performances here and there every week. It feels like something I have to do in order to deserve a chance.

MICHAEL: It was a big big world, but we thought we were bigger
Pushing each other to the limits, we were learning quicker

JOSE: Family is the most proud thing you have in you life, but when you you lose one everyone is sad. Like a dog you love that thing to death you go out with it you, play fetch with it but when that day comes everyone is sad. And you have make sure it is safe where it belongs.

DARIUS: *Go on now go, walk out the door just turn around now cuz your not welcome anymore.*

JOSE: I*quick pause* not welcome in my birth country!?

MICHAEL: Shouldn't everyone be able to live where they please?

DARIUS: Yes,everyone need live where they must.

JOSE,MICHAEL,DARIUS:Just because they look different doesn't mean we should treat them different.