

José E. Piñero Bou
“Sonny”
1933—2014

There are people whose impact on our lives is cumulative. They appear subtly, peacefully, with no fanfare. And over time they become part of the fabric of our daily lives. They become a vital part of who we are without our even noticing.



In the year 2002, José E. Piñero Bou, together with his sister Haydeé, arrived at the Universidad del Este to share with the academic community, and, through us, the people of Puerto Rico, part of the legacy of their father, Governor Jesús T. Piñero. This past September 13 José Emilio, “Sonny”, left us. After a long struggle with a series of physical ailments, he ended his mission. In this last stage he never lost his smile. He never stopped dreaming and never ceased sharing and encouraging others.

For the Piñero Collection, “Sonny” was a faithful collaborator, a tireless partner, and more than anything, a true friend. Innumerable times we would answer the phone and hear him say, “I have an idea.” He would then begin to elaborate a plan for a new project, a community activity, suggesting people to visit or phone calls to make. He would often arrive at the Piñero Reading Room carrying books or some of his father’s memorabilia. One very warm June afternoon, we received a phone call: “I have some boxes here at the house that contain some of my father’s films. Do you want them?” And thus began the Piñero Film Collection. With Sonny communication was always direct and his will never changed course. Without a doubt we will miss his visits and phone calls, his dreams and ideas.



José Piñero cuts the ribbon at the opening ceremony for the Piñero Reading Room at UNE. (April 15, 2010)

José was an active member of the Fundraising Committee for the Jesús T. Piñero Library. And even though he was the ex Governor’s son he never sought to impose his views. He listened, discussed, offered ideas and was also eager to look for more collaborators. He dreamt of a library that would do justice to his father’s name and would, above all, enrich the lives of lives of his fellow countrymen, especially young people.

We are committed to fulfilling José Emilio’s dream. The new library will be not only a monument to his father but also a reminder of the vision and generous commitment of the son who, like Jesús Piñero, dreamt of a new and vibrant Puerto Rico.

To Sonny, our enduring gratitude.

Our Second Season



The second season of “Utopística” continues in October with a series of interviews on topics that are vital to the present and future of Puerto Rico. We invite our friends to watch these interviews on our pages in Facebook and YouTube

Thursday, October 2:

“History, geography and culture of Eastern Puerto Rico”

with Professors Félix R. Huertas,
Alexander Cancio and José Orlando Sued

Thursday, October 9:

“Sustainability and Green Architecture”

with Dr. Fernando Abruña

Thursday, October 16:

“A Different Vision of Puerto Rican Culture”

with Roberto Ramos Perea

Thursday, October 23:

“The Future of Film in Puerto Rico”

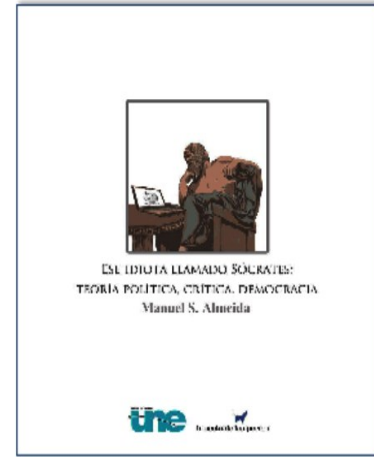
with Luis J. Cruz

Thursday, October 30:

“Puerto Rican Literature Today”

with José Muratti (PEN Club of Puerto Rico)

The recordings of our first two seasons are available as **podcasts** on our web page, www.utopistica.com. View the interviews on [YouTube](#) and share your ideas and suggestions with us on [Facebook](#).



Presentación del libro
Ese idiota llamado Sócrates:
teoría política, crítica, democracia
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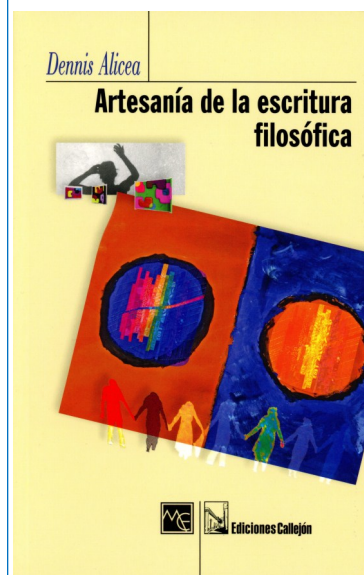
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El autor del libro, Dr. Manuel S. Almeida, Catedrático Asociado y Profesor Investigador de la Escuela de Ciencias Sociales y Humanas de la Universidad del Este y Director de *Ámbito de Encuentros*, estará presente para reaccionar y conversar.

jueves, 23 de octubre de 2014, 11:30 a.m.

Sala Jesús T. Piñero, Universidad del Este, Carolina

Auspician: Colección Jesús T. Piñero, Instituto de Investigación Transdisciplinaria, la Escuela de Ciencias Sociales y Humanas, y la revista *Ámbito de Encuentros*.



The Piñero Collection invites the public to the presentation of

Artesanía de la escritura filosófica

by Dr. Dennis Alicea

Thursday, October 30
11:30 a.m.

Piñero Reading Room
Universidad del Este

Presentation by
Dr. Manuel S. Almeida

Piñero House Museum

Creative Writing Workshops

October 4, 11 and 18
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Film Editing Workshop

October 18
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Workshop on Film Makeup

October 25
1:00 p.m. a 4:00 p.m.

For more information call: 787-876-0562



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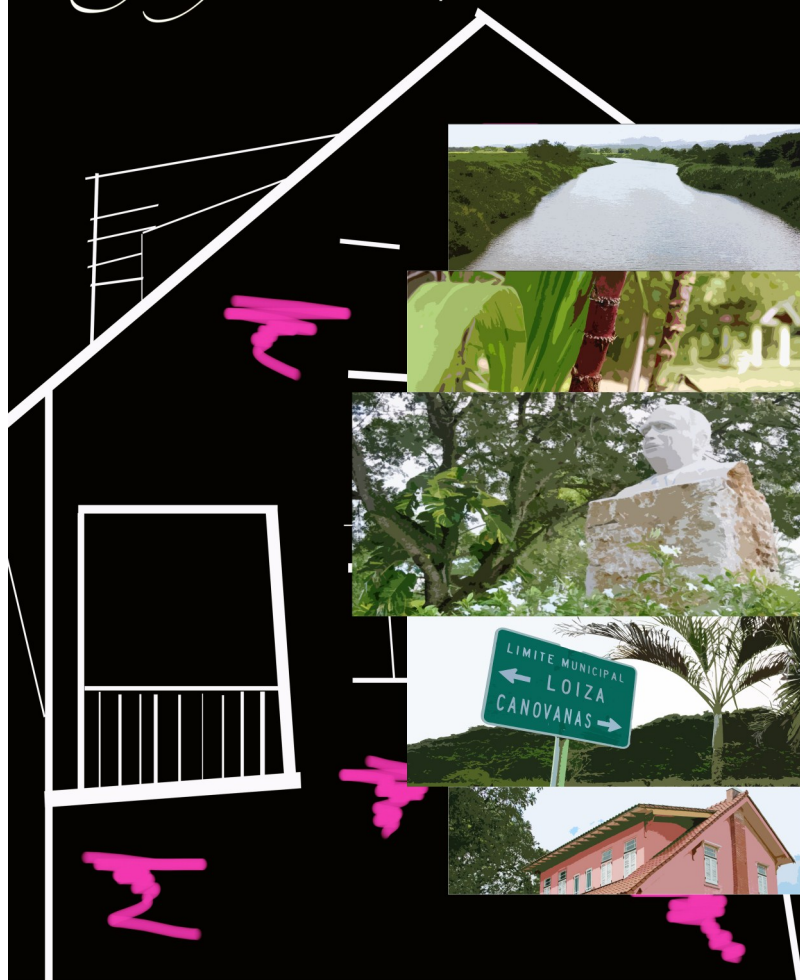
Monday thru Friday
7:00 am to 5:00 p.m.

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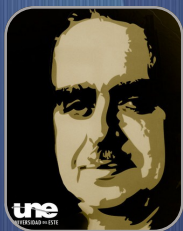
Canóvanas en tiempos de don Jesús



José Orlando Sued y Alexander Cancio, directores
Dr. Jaime Partsch, investigador principal

14 de octubre de 2014, Salones 207-209 (ISHCA) - 2:30 p.m.

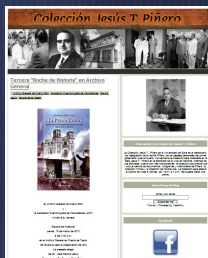
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