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**SELENE LUNA PHOTOS**

## **THE FACE OF A NEW REVOLUTION IN HOLLYWOOD**



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## **CELEBRATES DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH**

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*“A polished spitfire.”*  
The New York Times


Selene Luna is a Latina Little Person who is elevating representation of Little People in Hollywood. The diminutive actress is larger than life in her guest starring role as Soledad in season four of **FX**'s gripping crime drama *Mayans M.C.* The season finale airing on *Tuesday*,

*June 14th* will solidify Soledad as a force to be reckoned with. Luna is also notably known as the voice of Tía Rosita in Disney-Pixar's Academy Award & Golden Globe Awards' Winner *Coco*. Hollywood has a history of reducing Little People to dehumanizing costume roles, from Oompa Loompas to elves, we never know who is behind the mask. Selene Luna is the next major entertainment story that demands media recognition in celebration of **Disability Pride Month**. 25 years into a diverse career that includes standup, acting, voiceover, broadcast, burlesque and drag cabaret theater, Luna has had to fight every step of the way resisting Hollywood's mask. Selene Luna is a trailblazer at the helm of a new era of equity in Hollywood.

When asked about the entertainment industry's exploitation of portraying little people as leprechauns, elves, fantasy creatures or the butt of the joke, Selene says, *"Little People who want to be actors should not be limited to hiding in costumes, we should also have equal access to human roles. When you are dehumanized there is no respect for autonomy. Being nonhuman means that you are less than. I am a human being with valid points of view, passions and flaws. As an actor, I have a lot more to offer than a faceless voiceless creature. I embrace being a Little Person, in fact, every obstacle has made me a larger person. I only begrudge how society treats us. The media sets the tone for popular culture so until people see us portrayed in a dignified manner, we will never garner respect as a community."*

Selene Luna is an established presence in Hollywood with multiple roles in movies and TV shows such as *Celebrity Wife Swap*, Lionsgate's *My Bloody Valentine 3D*, and **Margaret Cho's The Cho Show**, and broke ground as a featured burlesque dancer in five national tours of the undisputed Queen of Burlesque, **Dita Von Teese**. Luna's most celebrated standup comedy credit has been opening for several of **Margaret Cho's** national tours. Luna took to Washington, DC by meeting with legislators like, **U.S. Rep. Maxine Waters**, at the 2019 Conference on Independent Living to advocate for disability rights and spoke at a rally on Capitol Hill alongside **U.S. Sen. Chuck Schumer**. In 2020, Luna pivoted during the pandemic by successfully producing *Selene Luna's Comedy Liberation*, a virtual standup comedy show spotlighting comics with disabilities to ensure equity in entertainment by providing comics with disabilities an equal platform through a virtual setting.

Selene Luna is a resilient innovative force in Hollywood and it's time to recognize her humanity.

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