

DAPHNE RUBIN-VEGA is a two-time **Tony** and **Drama Desk** nominee (1996/2004) and recipient of the **Theater World**, **Obie** (1996) and **Blockbuster** (1998) awards. She has been a member of the **Labyrinth Theater Company** since 1992.

Ms. Rubin-Vega is perhaps best known for the roles she originated, including **Mimi ("RENT")** and **Conchita ("Anna in the Tropics")**, both Pulitzer Prize winning Broadway shows for which she was nominated for the Tony award. She also originated the role of **Rahmi ("Gum")**, **Sofia (Nilo Cruz' "Two Sisters and a Piano")**, **Canary Mary (Suzan-Lori Parks' "Fucking A") (Lucille Lortel nominations)** and **Lucy ("Jack Goes Boating")** at the Public Theater, as well as starred in the Broadway revivals of **"The Rocky Horror Picture Show" (Magenta)** and **"Les Miserables" (Fantine)**. Film credits include detective **Gloria Perez** in **"Wild Things"**, starring Kevin Bacon and Matt Dillon (**Blockbuster Award for Best Supporting Actress**), **Tia ("Flawless"**, opposite Robert De Niro), and most recently, reprising the role of **Lucy** in the film version of **"Jack Goes Boating"**, Phillip Seymour Hoffman's film directorial debut. Other films include, **"Justice"**, **"Skeleton Woman" (New York Independent Film award)**, **"Virgin"**, **"Sex and the City"**, and **"I Like It Like That"**. **Daphne Rubin-Vega** is recognized for her singing as much as her acting. She was a member of the girl group **Pajama Party** whose single **"Yo No Se"** was number one on the Billboard dance charts. They made two albums on **Atlantic Records** before Daphne began writing and recording solo singles for the indie dance label **Maxi**. In 1997, Rubin-Vega cut her first album of original music, **"Souvenirs"** on the subsequently defunct **Mercury** label and in 2006; she produced, performed, and primarily wrote **"Redemption Songs" (Sh-K-Boom)**. Daphne has contributed to various musical projects, including her notorious version of **"Feliz Navidad"** for Broadway Cares and her club smash cover of **"Rocketman"**.

In 2005, she received an Honorary Doctorate in Humane Letters from Kean University. "Dr." Rubin-Vega was born in Panama and raised in New York City where she lives with her husband and son.