

# PUENTE PROJECT NEWSLETTER



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## Dia de Los Muertos

Dia de los Muertos is a time when families gather to honor and remember deceased loved ones. Very different to Halloween, Dia de Los Muertos translated as the Day of the Dead that is traditionally celebrated on November 2.

However, since November 2 fell during the weekend, on Wednesday, October 30 The Puente Project hosted Día De los Muertos by showcasing their beautiful ofrendas (altars) to the campus community. Puentistas commemorated famous Latino figures including artists, musicians, advocates, actors like Cesar Chavez, Selena, Celia Cruz, Frida, and Diego Rivera. The altars included Papel Picado (pieced papers), skulls, photos and Pan de Muerto (bread of the dead) which is a typical sweet bread (pan dulce). Puentistas worked hard to create their altars as well as taking the time to research the Latino figures and learn about their life.

Thank you to those who took the time to attend this event and view the altars the Puentistas created.



# Noche de Familia

Noche de familia (Family Night), was held Wednesday, October 30 in the Student Union - Multi-Purpose Room. One of the biggest Puente events of the year, it is a night to honor and thank the parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and advocates who support and guide the Puentistas.

The ceremony began with a warm welcome from Professor Carrillo and Mr. Cedillos. Next, Puentistas introduced themselves by stating their names, major, the university they will be transferring and thanking the person who provides them support. Dinner was provided and the presentation of the Puente Project followed. After the presentation, entertainment from Puentistas began.

Stephanie Razo started it off by signing "Yo te Extranare" by Tercer Cielo followed by Guillermo Rodriguez who read a poem called "Mi Familia" by Jose Fercho Zam. Afterwards, Ashley del Angel gave a motivational speech. All through the ceremony Fernando Aguilar played tunes on his turntable. Last but not least Citlali Niebla performed "Vivir mi Vida" by Marc Anthony.

The night was unforgettable, and the Puentistas enjoyed every part of it. They were responsible for coordinating and planning this event including the agenda, decorations, the welcome and the flyer.

Photos of the Noche de Familia event on the next page.



THE PUENTE PROJECT CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO  
**NOCHE DE FAMILIA**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2019



LOS ANGELES HARBOR COLLEGE  
 1111 FIGUEROA PL.  
 WILMINGTON, CA 90744  
 - STUDENT UNION MPR -



6:00 - 8:00 PM | PARKING IS COVERED

**2019-2020 PUENTISTAS**

*Jasmine Adame  
 Rosalba Castellanos  
 Samantha Dinang  
 Christina Lopez  
 Citlalli Niebla  
 Keileen Rivas  
 Brianna Ruiz  
 Alyssa Solorio  
 Michelle Delgado*

*Fernando Aguilar  
 Crystal Cruz  
 Jessie Escobar  
 Frankie Mendoza  
 Stephanie Razo  
 Marisa Rivas  
 Henna Ruiz  
 Makayla Tillett  
 Sienna Marin*

*Nathan Armijo  
 Ashley Del Angel  
 Ximena Fernandez  
 Ana Molina  
 Jose Rea  
 Guillermo Rodriguez  
 Yaritza Rosales  
 Alejandra Sanchez  
 Yesenia Vargas*

*Stephanie Carranza  
 Maria Del Rio  
 Arlette Iracabal  
 Bianca Rios  
 Alejandra Romero  
 Gaby Solis  
 Nestor Ventura  
 Carolina Vera*





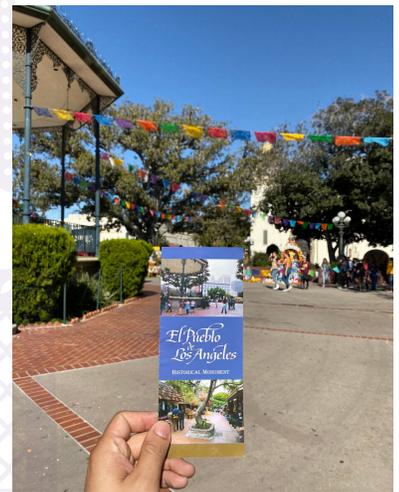
## Dia de Los Muertos on Olvera Street

On Friday, November 1 the Puentistas and Mr. Cedillos continued the annual Puente tradition by visiting Olvera Street for Dia de los muertos. Puentistas journeyed to Olvera Street from L.A Harbor College on a 10:30 a.m. Silverline bus.

For over 30 years, Olvera Street has celebrated Dia de los muertos. A celebration included the pre-Columbian, Aztec and Mayan rituals that honor the deceased.

Upon arriving, Puentistas viewed all the beautiful altars being displayed in El Pueblo. Afterwards, Puentistas visited the shops, art galleries, and the church.

The trip concluded with Puentistas enjoying a delicious lunch while listening to a live Mariachi band performance.





**On Sunday, November 3 a few Puentistas participated in an Altar Contest at the L.A Harbor College Swap-meet. Congratulations to Stephanie, Alejandra, and Crystal for winning 1st place!**



**The Puente Project thanks you for your continued support**

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