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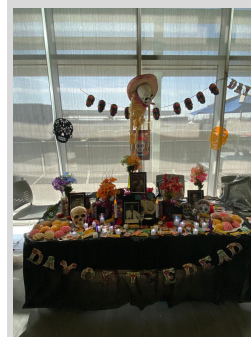
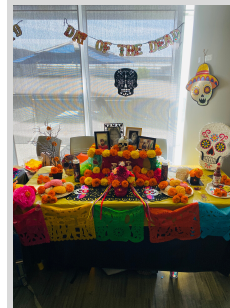


Día de Los Muertos

Día de los Muertos is a time when families gather to honor and remember deceased loved ones. Very different to Halloween, Día 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

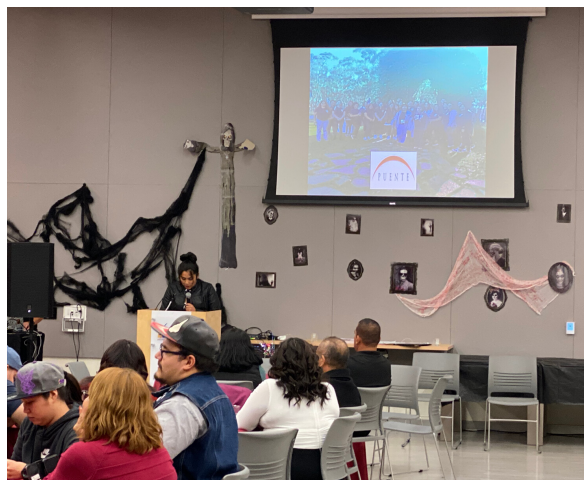
2019-2020 PUENTISTAS

*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
 Hemma 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*





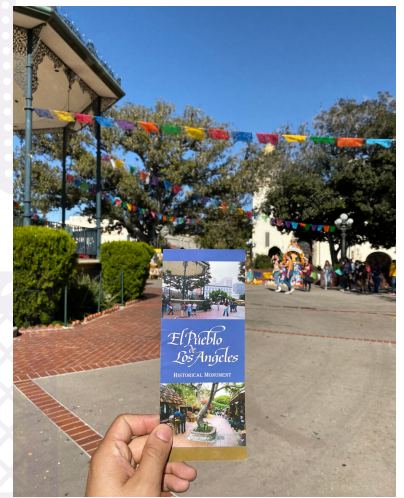
Dia de Los Muertos on Olvera Street

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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