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Hispanic Arts, Culture Festival



Jenna Rohrbacher and Dominic Bridge bring the passion and burning intensity of the tango to life. The dancers will be part of the Hispanic Heritage lineup on Friday, Sept. 17 at the Miracle Theatre, 525 S.E. Stark St.

Beginning Friday, Sept. 17, and continuing through Oct. 2, Miracle Theatre Group presents "La Luna Nueva", a festival of Hispanic arts and culture from around the world celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month.

Like the new moon emerging from the shadows, "La Luna Nueva" shines its light on new artists and new work across a variety of disciplines. The festival will feature 22 performances over 16 days at the Milagro Theatre, 525 S.E. Stark St.

The lineup includes spirited flamenco, passionate tango, Cuban jazz and intimate boleros, bilingual poetry and songs from local authors and musicians, storytelling for families, open mic nights and staged readings of four new plays, including this season's world premiere of Boomcracklefly.

Admission prices vary with many of the events for free. Visit milago.org for a complete schedule. Tickets can also be obtained through the PDX Ticket Network box office at the Hollywood Theater.

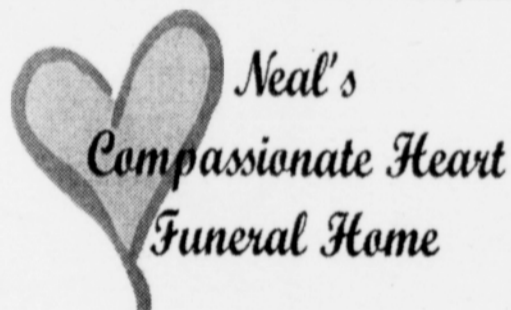
Agenda Set for Latino Summit

"One United Voice—Una Voz Unida" is the theme for an historic two day summit slated for Oct. 17 and 18 in Salem, convening Latino leadership from throughout the state to catalyze and coordinate statewide efforts promoting the social and economic well-being, political capacity, and civic leadership of the Latino community in Oregon.

"Our Latino community in Oregon is at the tipping point with a new, collaborative ethos for presenting a united front for effective strategies for change, and that is why we are organizing this historic statewide, explains Consuelo Saragoza of the Oregon Latino Agenda for Action group.

Focusing on the main issues of economic conditions, health, immigration, employment, and social and cultural development, participants from urban, suburban, rural, and coastal areas of Oregon will discuss, deliberate and decide in an open, non-partisan, and participatory model of regional engagement.

Summit details, registration info, and a survey to help prioritize the issues and suggest strategies for public policies and proposed legislation, can be found on olaaction.org.



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