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EL MUSEO DEL BARRIO PRESENTS THE SPRING SEASON OF 'COQUI CLUB'

Early childhood museum education program

New York, NY, January 24, 2019- Learn, play, and explore during El Museo's monthly bilingual program for our tiniest visitors, Coquí Club. In its 4th year, the program, recommended for children ages 1-4 and their caregivers, provides visitors new ways of interacting with art and each other in a collaborative environment. With time for play, storytelling, gallery activities and art making, Coquí Club provides a fun and active way to explore El Museo and enjoy creative themes together. The free program is held the first Wednesday and Saturday of each month.

COQUÍ CLUB: Afrodances

Saturday, February 2 and Wednesday, February 6 9:30–10:30am + 11am-12pm | Free. Space is limited.

Join us as we celebrate our Afro-Caribbean heritage with music and dance led by percussionist Yuriana Sobrino and a reading from Maya Angelou's poem *Life Doesn't Frighten Me at All*. The celebration continues with an art-making workshop, inviting families to create their own instruments.

COQUÍ CLUB: Coquí Cumpleaños!

Saturday, March 2 and Wednesday, March 6

9:30-10:30am + 11am-12pm | Free. Space is limited.

It's Coquí Club's birthday! Together, we will explore counting as we read Barbara Barbieri McGrath's *Birthday Counting*, followed by a 'delicious' art-making workshop, where kids can decorate their own 'slice of cake.'

COQUÍ CLUB: A Carnaval of Colors

Wednesday, April 3 and Saturday, April 6

9:30-10:30am + 11am-12pm | Free. Space is limited.

Learn more about primary colors - red, blue and yellow - with Hervé Tullet's storybook *The Game of Red, Yellow and Blue*. We will look at art in Las Galerías and explore color mixing and painting during an art-making workshop.

COQUÍ CLUB: Colombia

Wednesday, May 1 and Saturday, May 4

9:30-10:30am + 11am-12pm | Free. Space is limited.

Coquí travels! Join us on an adventure as we explore the culture and art of Colombia. We will venture to the Andes' mountains with Alpha and Beto, two donkeys that visit villages to bring books and stories to children in Jeannette Winter's *Waiting for the*



Biblioburro. Finally, inspired by a Medellin, Colombia's *Festival de las flores* (Festival of Flowers), we will create our own flowers and add them to a float design.

ABOUT EL MUSEO DEL BARRIO

El Museo del Barrio, founded by a coalition of Puerto Rican parents, educators, artists, and activists, is the nation's leading Latino and Latin American cultural institution. The Museum welcomes visitors of all backgrounds to discover the artistic landscape of these communities through its extensive Permanent Collection, varied exhibitions and publications, bilingual public programs, educational activities, festivals, and special events.

The Museum is located at 1230 Fifth Avenue at 104th Street in New York City, and open Wednesday to Saturday from 11:00am – 6:00pm, and Sunday from 12:00 to 5:00pm. Admission is Suggested.

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