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EL MUSEO DEL BARRIO HOSTS ANNUAL DAY OF THE DEAD FUNDRAISER

DISCO DE LOS MUERTOS Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2016 | 8:30 - 11:30 PM | DUNE STUDIOS, NYC

NEW YORK, NY (September 9, 2016)- El Museo del Barrio will host its annual **Día de Los Muertos** (Day of the Dead) arts education fundraiser on **Wednesday, October 19, 2016** from **8:30-11:30pm** at the iconic **Dune Studios'** new downtown location.

This year's event will be inspired by El Museo del Barrio's current exhibition, *ANTONIO LOPEZ: Future Funk Fashion*, on view through November 27th. The exhibition explores the life and legacy of the late famed fashion illustrator and artist, Antonio Lopez and his creative partner Juan Ramos, who worked in New York and Paris throughout the late 1960s, 70s and early 80s.

Titled **Disco de Los Muertos**, this cocktail dance party is co-chaired by Young International Circle (YIC) Leadership Council members **Camila Rachmanis** and **Patti Ruiz-Healy** and will feature an art installation by **Hector Madera**, video projections by **Lionel Cruet** and a special performance by former El Museo Artist in Residence **Ayana Evans**. Guests will enjoy culinary treats by **Tacombi**, specialty Tequila Don Julio 70 Cocktails provided by **Tequila Don Julio**, wine provided by **KIM CRAWFORD**, beer provided by **Peroni**, and make-up provided by **M·A·C Cosmetics**. **DJ Mickey Perez** will be spinning vinyl disco hits all night long under a canopy of 2,500 balloons. The after party will take place in **Happy Endings**, (302 Broome St. NYC).

DRESS CODE

Seventies glam, ruffle plisse, *Antonio Lopez* YSL inspired suits, disco inferno, wild hair, lotus flower crowns, calavera spiffy.

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS COMMITTEE

Josefina Aguayo, Sarah Arison, Emerson Barth, Ally Betker, Ian Bradley, Kelsey Breining, Timothy Briggs, Giovanna Campagna, Steve Caputo, Alejandro Carlin, Rachel Champlin, Kelly Connor, Jennifer Cuminale, Celine Cunha, Isabella Di Stefano, Amelia Diamond, Daniel Djuro-Goiricelaya, Miguel Enamorado, Savannah Engel, Samantha Fishbone, Liz Franco, Andrew Garcia, Emilie Ghilaga, Grace Givens, Michael Gleeson,



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TICKETS

Tickets are \$95 General, \$75 for El Museo members. To RSVP, visit http://www.elmuseo.org/disco-2016. For more information contact Eduardo Ayala Fuentes at 212.660.7103

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El Museo del Barrio's **DISCO DE LOS MUERTOS** benefit is sponsored by **Mexico Tourism Board | HBO |** Make-up provided by **M·A·C Cosmetics |** Specialty Tequila
Don Julio 70 Cocktails provided by **Tequila Don Julio |** Wine provided by **KIM CRAWFORD |** Beer provided by **Peroni |** Photography by **BFA |** Afterparty @ **Happy Ending** (302 Broome St. NYC)

ABOUT DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS

Día de los Muertos is a traditional Mexican celebration honoring loved ones who have passed away. Based on the belief that life continues after death, the holiday celebrates new beginnings and is now celebrated worldwide. Its most celebrated custom is the building of altars, which are stocked with food, flowers, and special remembrances of departed loved ones.

ABOUT EL MUSEO DEL BARRIO

El Museo del Barrio, New York's leading Latino cultural institution, welcomes visitors of all backgrounds to discover the artistic landscape of Latin American cultures. Their richness is represented in El Museo's wide-ranging collections and critically acclaimed exhibitions, complemented by film, literary, visual and performing arts series, cultural celebrations, and educational programs.

El Museo del Barrio is located at 1230 Fifth Avenue at 104 Street in New York City. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11am. to 6pm and Sunday, 12pm to 5pm. Admission is suggested.

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