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**The Latino Cultural Center presents
Los Méxicos de Mariana Yampolsky: Ritos y Regocijos
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The Latino Cultural Center has the privilege to present **Los Méxicos de Mariana Yampolsky: Ritos y Regocijos** (“Mariana Yampolsky’s Mexicos: Rites and Rejoicings”), a photographic collection from Fundación Cultural Mariana Yampolsky, A.C. in collaboration with Secretaria de Relaciones Exteriores de México, Consulado General de México in Dallas, Instituto Cultural de México in San Antonio and the Friends of the Latino Cultural Center.

Upon her arrival in Mexico in 1945, Mariana Yampolsky began studying painting and sculpture at La Esmeralda. At about the same time, she became the first female member of the Taller de Gráfica Popular (Popular Graphics Workshop). There she was in charge of all the exhibitions the famous Workshop carried out abroad and helped renowned printmaker Leopoldo Méndez with the publications of the Fondo Editorial de la Plástica Mexicana featuring Mexican mural art, José Guadalupe Posada, and folk art. This experience prepared her for her curatorial work on Memoria del Tiempo (Memory of Time) the magnificent exhibition celebrating 150 years of Mexican photography.

Throughout her life as a photographer, Yampolsky made photographs of the most remote sites in Mexico. Her photographic collection consists of over sixty thousand negatives of Mexico’s countryside and during her life she had more than 300 individual exhibits around the world, from Stockholm to Tokio, Zurich to Tenerife, and Toronto to Shanghai. Mariana Yampolsky, whose work developed into a school, is definitively one of Mexico’s greatest photographers.

Born in Chicago to a family of artists and intellectuals, Mariana Yampolsky was drawn to Mexico’s vibrant post-revolutionary art world. She came to Mexico in 1944, became a Mexican citizen in 1954, and spent the remainder of her life in the country as a passionate interpreter of its culture.

The Latino Cultural Center is a division of the City of Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs. The mission of the Latino Cultural Center is to serve as a catalyst for the preservation, development and promotion of Latino and Hispanic arts and culture in Dallas. The Center is located at 2600 Live Oak, Dallas, Texas 75204 and is open Tuesday – Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For additional information please call 214-671-0045 or visit our web site at, www.dallasculture.org/latinocc.

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