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**Latino Cultural Center
Celebrates Mexico's Bicentennial
During September's Target Second Saturday
September 11, 2010
11:00 a.m.-6:30 p.m.**

August 25, 2010 -- Dallas families are invited to visit the Latino Cultural Center on Saturday, September 11 for a day of activities that celebrate the 200th Anniversary of Mexico's Independence and the 100th Anniversary of the Mexican Revolution. The programs include a special presentation of a play inspired in the life of one of the heroines of the independence movement and the opening of two exhibitions that showcase the work of Mexican artists. Thanks to the generous support of Target, all activities during Target Second Saturday are free to the public.

The day's schedule is as follows:

- 11:00 a.m.** Preview of the exhibition *El Ojo Fino / The Exquisite Eye* and *Morelos: Estampas de la Independencia*
- 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.** Play *Leona Vicario* by Teatro Dallas
During the 18th and 19th centuries, women stayed at home, but Leona Vicario conspired against the Spanish Crown! Directed by Cora Cardona.
- 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.** *Juegos y Rondas* with Ollimpaxqui Ballet Folklorico
Traditional movement and rhymes games for children that the whole family can enjoy.
- 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.** *Papel Picado* workshop
A traditional Mexican folk art in which elaborate designs are cut into tissue paper. Workshop is free but advanced registration is required at (214) 671-0045.
- 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.** *Bailes de la Revolución* Dance Class with Ollimpaxqui Ballet Folklorico
Learn traditional Mexican folk dances that date back to the days of the Mexican Revolution in this informal, fun class for people ages 4 and up.
- 2:00 p.m.** Screening of *The Hunt for Pancho Villa*
This one-hour film tells the story of the Mexican revolutionary Pancho Villa and the dramatic efforts of the U.S. government to bring him to justice -- events that brought the U.S. and Mexico to the brink of war in the early years of the 20th century. Produced by Hector Galan and Paul Espinosa.

5:00 to 6:30 p.m. Public Opening for *Morelos: Estampas de la Independencia* and *El Ojo Fino / The Exquisite Eye*

The LCC presents two exhibitions that showcase the work of modern and contemporary Mexican artists; both exhibitions will be on view from September 11 through November 24.

Morelos: Estampas de la Independencia: This exhibition features 20 original engravings by Mizraim Cárdenas, an artist from Michoacán, México. Cárdenas reinterprets environments and scenes from the beginning of the Mexican independence movement, centered on one of the heroes of the independence, José María Morelos y Pavón.

El Ojo Fino / The Exquisite Eye: Three generations of Mexican women photographers – mentors, artists, colleagues – whose lyrical photographs capture the people, land and customs of Mexico.

The screening of *The Hunt for Pancho Villa* is made possible through a partnership of the Latino Cultural Center and Texas Folklife.

Morelos: Estampas de la Independencia is presented at the Latino Cultural Center thanks to the support of the State of Michoacán, México (Secretaría del Migrante y Secretaría de Cultura) and the Federación of Clubes Michoacanos en Texas.

El Ojo Fino / The Exquisite Eye is organized by the Wittliff Collections at Texas State University-San Marcos, drawing from their extensive collection of Mexican and Southwestern photography.

About the Latino Cultural Center

The Latino Cultural Center is a division of the City of Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs. Our mission is to serve as a regional catalyst for the preservation, development, and promotion of Latino and Hispanic arts and culture. Our 27,000 sq. ft. facility was designed by renowned Mexican architect Ricardo Legorreta and features a 300-seat theater; two visual arts galleries; and an outdoor plaza. It's signature purple tower serves as a beacon to guide visitors to our East Dallas / Deep Ellum location, immediately east of downtown Dallas.

The Latino Cultural Center is located at 2600 Live Oak, Dallas, Texas 75204 (two blocks north of the DART Deep Ellum Station). The Center is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and in the evenings when performing arts events are scheduled. For additional information, call (214) 671-0045 or visit www.dallasculture.org/latinocc.

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