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5th ANNUAL NOCHE LATINA CELEBRATION AT UNIVERSITY OF SAINT JOSEPH ART AND MUSIC CELEBRATION ON OCTOBER 9



Lorena Garay and Surcari

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. (September 17, 2015) – The University of Saint Joseph will honor Hispanic Heritage month and celebrate Latino culture with its fifth annual Noche Latina – Viva Latin America! Join us for an evening of bilingual storytelling, digital images, folkloric dance, and traditional music from Latin America by Lorena Garay and the band Surcari. View the University of Saint Joseph Art Gallery’s exhibition *Pan American Modernism: Avant-Garde Art in Latin America and the United States*, the only Northeast venue for this traveling exhibition. Both events take place in the Bruyette Athenaeum on the University’s main campus located at 1678 Asylum Avenue, West Hartford, Conn.

Noche Latina Music and Dance

Hoffman Auditorium

Friday, October 9, 7:00 p.m.

Tickets, which are \$5.00 for adults and free for students and children, are available through the Frances Driscoll Box Office: 860.231.5555 or www.usj.edu/arts

Acclaimed guitarist Lorena Garay and her Latin American ensemble, Surcari, will perform a blend of traditional and original Latin American music on a wide variety of instruments. Surcari's extensive repertoire is drawn from the group's artistic influences, which include classical, folk, afro, Latin jazz, world, and flamenco. Their colorful performances engage audiences of all ages as they are introduced to irresistible instrumental and vocal music from the Andes, the Spanish Caribbean, South America, Spain, and Mexico!

Art Exhibition *Pan American Modernism – Latin American and U.S. Art*

September 24 – December 20, 2015

Bruyette Athenaeum, Art Gallery at USJ – Free

Developed by the Lowe Art Museum at the University of Miami (Fla), the exhibition includes paintings, sculpture, works on paper, photography, and mixed media works — many shown for the first time outside of the Lowe — that tell stories of travel and migration, cross-cultural exchange, and the influence of literary and political movements. More than 70 works by 60+ artists (from 12 countries) highlight artistic exchanges between 1919 and 1979, revealing modernism to have been an international phenomenon across the Americas. *Pan American Modernism* demonstrates that Caribbean, Central, and South American artists were important contributors to the experimental and innovative nature of modernism.

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