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4th ANNUAL NOCHE LATINA AT UNIVERSITY OF SAINT JOSEPH **ART AND MUSIC CELEBRATION**



Daniel Salazar

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. (September 26, 2014) – The University of Saint Joseph will celebrate Latino culture with its fourth annual Noche Latina — a celebration featuring music by Daniel Salazar and his ensemble and an art exhibition by Venezuelan artist Corina AlvarezdeLugo. Both events take place in the Bruyette Athenaeum located on the University's main campus: 1678 Asylum Avenue, West Hartford.

Noche Latina music and dance presentation

Hoffman Auditorium

Friday, October 17, 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are free of charge (\$5.00 suggested adult donation) and available through the Frances Driscoll Box Office: 860.231.5555 or www.usj.edu/arts

Acclaimed guitarist Daniel Salazar will perform an exciting program of Latin music with his ensemble of international musicians and guest dancers. The concert will feature selections from Salazar's highly popular repertoire of original music combining the Spanish Classical guitar with Latin and world rhythms, as well as unique arrangements of music from Mexico, Argentina, Venezuela, Cuba and other Latin countries. Highlights of the program will also include alluring dance selections

Art Exhibition *Remendando mi Patria (Mending my Country)*

September 29- October 19, 2014

Bruyette Athenaeum Reception Room — Free

Remendando mi Patria will include mixed media pieces created from AlvarezdeLugo's personal memorabilia. The international sculptor and painter said, "'Mi patria' means 'my country' in Spanish and 'remendando' comes from the Spanish verb 'Remendar,' which means to mend or patch a piece of clothing. Using this analogy, *Remendando mi Patria* is my visual expression, which evolved from delving deeply into the disturbing political reality of Venezuela, my birth country."

Noche Latina was formed in 2010 and is a popular celebration of Latino culture. "Noche Latina has quickly become a meaningful event — for both the University and the greater Hartford community," said Assistant Professor of Social Work Nelly Rojas Schwan, Ph.D. "It complements the University's Institute for Latino Community Practice, which prepares undergraduate and graduate students for culturally and linguistically competent leadership in their professions."

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