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The Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center Presents:

Día de Los Muertos

The Emma S. Barrientos Mexican-American Cultural Center will host its annual Día de Los Muertos (Day of the Dead) celebration on Saturday, November 2nd from 4:00 – 9:00pm. This event coincides with an exhibition of altars in collaboration with the [Austin Veterans Arts Festival](#).

This lively event will include activities such as sugar skull decorating and face painting for all ages. Live music and dance performances highlight Mexican traditions. There will be on-site food trucks, a vendor market, and plenty of entertainment for guests of all ages. Come in your Day of the Dead costume to honor this celebration of life and death.

Altars or *ofrendas* in the Community Gallery will commemorating Veterans. The Veteran's altar exhibit opens to the public on October 18th and there is currently an open call for anyone to create an altar for the exhibition. Another collection of altars in the Zócalo plaza will be open to local community groups and families. There will be a collective community altar where guests attending the festival on Nov. 2nd can add their objects and pay respect to their loved ones who have passed on.

The ESB-MACC is also proud to host the National Guild for Community Art Education conference. Participants at this conference which takes place at the JW Marriot from Oct 31- Nov 2 will have the opportunity to visit the ESB-MACC on November 2nd to learn about how we celebrate this important tradition. They will have a tour of the facility and presentations by the ESB-MACC Education department, and then they will stay to participate in the festival in the evening.

HONOR OUR FALLEN LATINO COMRADES

The ESB Mexican American Cultural Center and Austin Veteran Arts Festival invite you to build a Day of the Dead altar in memory of Latino Service Members and Veterans who are deceased, MIA, KIA, or POW.

Altars will be set up in partitioned spaces in the Community Gallery. Space is limited. For more information, including deadlines, altar dimensions, and submission form, visit:
<https://www.avafest.org/altars>



Austin Veteran Arts Festival is a project of the Veteran Suicide Prevention Channel, whose mission is to unify veterans and their communities through art.

