

2017 DIA DE LOS MUERTOS ALTAR CONTEST



Presented by:
Mesa Arts Center
in collaboration with
The Consulate
General of Mexico
in Phoenix
and the
Mesa Association
of Hispanic Citizens

OCT 28, 10AM - 5PM | OCT 29, 12PM - 5PM

CONTEST RULES & GUIDELINES

This invitation is open to the general public until Fri, Sept 29 at 5PM (due to limited space only 16 altar applications will be accepted)

- The contest is limited to **one altar per family or organization**.
- Participants will decorate their creations with various materials and elements that embody the theme of death and include a brief description of what their altar represents with the theme of the altar, and the names of participants.
 - The following materials are **not** permitted in the contest: burning candles, sound/amplification, unwrapped foods or open drinks/containers. Nails, staples, thumb tacks and tape are not allowed on walls.
 - Altars should measure a maximum of 8 ft long by 2½ ft wide and should have no more than three levels or "steps" (from table top). A table and black table cloth will be provided.
- All set-up will take place on Thurs, Oct 26 beginning at 10AM and must be completed by 8PM.** Spaces are limited and will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. **All tear-down will take place on Mon, Oct 30 beginning at 8AM and must be completed by 8PM.**
- Altars will be displayed at:
**Mesa Arts Center - Farnsworth Studio Theater
One E. Main St. Mesa, AZ 85201**
- The costs of materials, transportation, set up and removal are the responsibility of participants.
- The judging panel is composed of committee members affiliated with the Hispanic cultural community in the City of Mesa.
- The judges will consider the following criteria:
 - Traditional Approach or Contemporary Approach
 - Written dedication and meaning
 - Creativity and artistic design
- The judge's decisions cannot be appealed and any matter not outlined in this invitation remains under the arbitration of the Dia de los Muertos event committee.
- The altar reception and awards ceremony will take place on Sat, Oct 28 at 8:30AM in the Farnsworth Theater and Lobby.

AWARDS

1st Place:

- 8 tickets to a performance at the Mesa Arts Center
- 8 admissions to the i.d.e.a. Museum and Arizona Museum of Natural History
- Mesa Arts Center Education Classroom gift certificate valued at \$100

2nd Place:

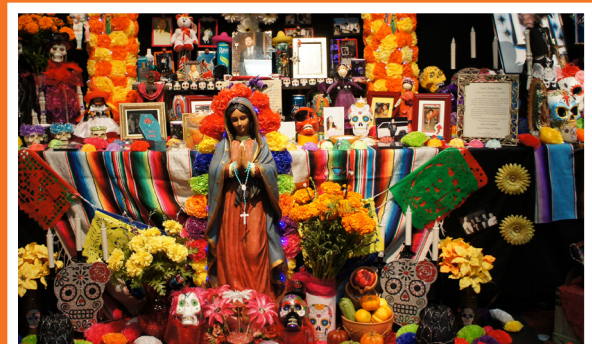
- 6 tickets to a performance at the Mesa Arts Center
- 6 admissions to the i.d.e.a. Museum and Arizona Museum of Natural History
- Mesa Arts Center Education Classroom gift certificate valued at \$75

3rd Place:

- 4 tickets to a performance at the Mesa Arts Center
- 4 admissions to the i.d.e.a. Museum and Arizona Museum of Natural History
- Mesa Arts Center Education Classroom gift certificate valued at \$50

ADDITIONAL SURPRISE PRIZES!

Certificates awarded to all participants.



Send completed application
before Sept 29, 2017 to:

Mesa Arts Center MS-7710
2017 Dia de los Muertos
Festival Altar Contest
P.O. Box 1466
Mesa, AZ 85211

Or email completed application to:
Shawn.Lawson@mesaartscenter.com

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BRIEF SUMMARY