



DAY OF THE DEAD COMMUNITY EVENTS

MUSIC, FOOD,
MÚSICA, COMIDA,
ART ACTIVITIES
ACTIVIDADES ARTÍSTICAS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH 2017
1 PM – 7 PM

Nebraska History Museum *

131 Centennial Mall North
Lincoln, NE 68508
(402) 471-4754

history.nebraska.gov

Nebraska History Museum in partnership with the Mexican American Historical Society of the Midlands and Lux Center for the Arts.

- Community Ofrenda
- Art Making project led by Nebraska Latino/a artists
- Live mariachi music and baile folklórico (folkloric dance) performances 3rd floor.

1:00 – 4:30 pm

LUX Center for the Arts

2601 N 48th St | Lincoln, NE 68504
(402) 466-8692

luxcenter.org

Nebraska Folklife Network

920 O St, Suite 102, Lincoln, NE 68508
(402) 420-5442

nebraskafolklife.org

Lincoln Children's Museum *

1420 P St | Lincoln, NE 68508
(402) 477-4000

lincolnchildrensmuseum.org

- Dance Performances (every half hour)
- Face Painting

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Mourning Hope

4919 Baldwin Ave | Lincoln, NE 68504
(402) 488-8989

mourninghope.org

- Art Activities
- Letter Writing

Downtown Lincoln Association

206 S 13th Street | Lincoln, NE 68508
(402) 434-6900

downtownlincoln.org

* Indicates where community activities will be held.

Bennett Martin Public Library *

136 S. 14th St
Lincoln, NE 68508
(402) 441-8500

lincolnlibraries.org

- Family Storytime at 2 pm & 4 pm
- Decorate your own calavera (skull crafts)
- View our ofrenda

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Mexican American Student Association *

UNL Union Centennial Room

- Refreshments
- Live Music
- Prize Drawing

5:00 – 7:00 pm

El Centro de las Américas

210 O St | Lincoln, NE 68508
(402) 474-3950

elcentrodelasamericas.org

Lincoln Commission on Human Rights

555 S 10th St | Lincoln, NE 68508
(402) 441-7624

humanrights.lincoln.ne.gov

Latino-American Commission *

1445 K St # 64 | Lincoln, NE 68508
(402) 471-2791

latinoac.nebraska.gov

- Mayor's Proclamation 1 pm
- Dia de los Muertos inspired artwork by local artists
- Public ofrendas (exhibit at the Capitol Building, first floor, around the Information Desk)

1:00 – 5:00 pm

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FUN FACTS

1. Marigold flowers are known as flor de muerto in Spanish or "flower of the dead" and are used in ofrendas and decorations throughout Day of the Dead. Its use in the holiday goes back centuries where it is known as cempasúchil from the indigenous Nahuatl word for the flower cempohualxochitl.
2. Jose Guadalupe Posada (1852-1913) was a Mexican illustrator and printmaker who created the visuals of skulls and skeletons representing everyday people and activities, including the most famous skeleton, La Catrina, that are now associated with the holiday. His illustrations modernized Day of the Dead and most of the holiday's imagery can be credited to him.
3. La Catrina, or "Elegant Skeleton" is the image of a female skeleton wearing upper class European clothing. She was created by illustrator Jose Guadalupe Posada between 1910-1913 as a satirical statement of the wealthy society of the time. Since her debut, La Catrina has come to represent Day of the Dead in several ways: as an image showing that death comes to everyone including the wealthy, and as a way to find humor in death.
4. Pan de muerto, or "bread of the dead" is special light, fluffy bread that has the shapes of bones on top or the figure of a person with crossed arms. This bread is offered to deceased loved ones on ofrendas or at gravesites for spirits.
5. An ofrenda is an altar that you can place in your home, school or business to honor deceased loved ones, friends and leaders. It serves as an invitation for their spirit to return.
6. Salt is considered a purifying element and is a must-have for festivities and ofrendas.
7. A common saying or grito used during Day of the Dead is ¡Viva la Vida! or "Long live life!"
8. Monarch butterflies represent the return of spirits on Day of the Dead as well as birth and new life.
9. In 1947, muralist Diego Rivera featured Jose Guadalupe Posada's stylized "Catrina" skeleton front and center in his mural "Dream of a Sunday Afternoon in Alameda Park."
10. In 2008, UNESCO recognized the importance of Día de los Muertos by adding the holiday to its list of "Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity".

TURN IN YOUR COMPLETED PASSPORTS FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A PRIZE.

*(Passports must be completed in full in
order to be eligible for the prize drawing.)*

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email: _____



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