

## **For Immediate Release**

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ROCO, Inprint, Lawndale Art Center, Musiqa and The Mexican Consulate Present a Musical and Literary Ofrenda in Celebration of Dia de los Muertos, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 6-7:30pm

Join River Oaks Chamber Orchestra ("ROCO"), Musiqa, Inprint and Lawndale Art Center for a joyful evening of celebration and remembrance, Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-7:30, at the Lawndale Art Center, at 4912 Main Street, 77002.

During *Día de los Muertos,* families create ofrendas or altars to remember and honor the memory of their ancestors. During this evening of remembrance, <u>ROCO</u> and <u>Musiqa</u> will present short original contemporary, classic compositions as musical ofrendas. Between musical pieces, <u>Inprint</u> writers will present original readings written in the tradition of making an offering during the *Día de los Muertos* celebrations. This performance, along with other Día de los Muertos programs and exhibitions at Lawndale Art Center, promotes cultural awareness of Mexican folk art practices associated with this celebration of family, life and community.

Admission is free, and families are welcome.

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## **About ROCO**

The River Oaks Chamber Orchestra is a professional chamber orchestra of 40 all-star musicians, distinguished conductors, and famous composers, who come together from all over the world to present unexpected classics, original compositions, and delightful performances that dissolve the barriers between audience and orchestra. Founded in 2005 by principal oboist, Alecia Lawyer, ROCO is "creating personal relationships through the language of music." <a href="https://www.rocohouston.org">www.rocohouston.org</a>