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CALPULLI MEXICAN DANCE PERFORMS AT QUEENS THEATRE

Company Returns to Queens Theatre in the Park for Sixth Year
After Multiple Sold out Seasons

NEW YORK – July 28th, 2009 – Calpulli Mexican Dance returns to Queens Theatre in the Park for the sixth year to dazzle audiences with an inspired program based on its vibrant, maturing repertoire. The spectacle will feature more than 20 dancers and musicians in glorious costuming. The first of two debuts explores the Andean-influenced dances from Guerrero and neighboring states, and the second is a new experimental piece named "Dance for a Dollar," a dance theater work-in-progress with contemporary Mexican music and dance.

Calpulli Mexican Dance is celebrating their sixth consecutive performance season at Queens Theatre in the Park. The organization was founded in 2003 by a group of Mexican and Mexican-American artists living in New York City who shared a vision to share the rich diversity of Mexican traditional dance.

"Let's stop a while, look at our past and breathe. Let's find the heart of what we know as traditional and let it beat inside us. Then, only then, we can understand the choices we make today and recognize that tradition is forever in motion. We honor our past, our present and our passions using both folk and contemporary forms of expression."

▪ Daniel Jáquez, Artistic Director

Queens Theatre in the Park
Flushing Meadows Corona Park
Tickets and Information: www.queenstheatre.org
Box Office: 718-760-0064 • Regular \$26, Senior \$24, Student \$13

Saturday, September 19th, 2009 at 8:00PM
Sunday, September 20th, 2009 at 3:00PM



Sponsors

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About Calpulli Mexican Dance

Calpulli Mexican Dance Company (also known as *Calpulli Danza Mexicana*) is a 501(c) 3 organization based in New York City. Its mission is to teach and produce dance-based programming incorporating music and theatre to promote the rich diversity of Mexican cultural heritage. To this end, the company produces professional performances, arts education programming, and community outreach activities including its award-winning, donation-based children's dance program. The artistic staff include Daniel Jáquez, Co-founder and Artistic Director, Martha Nora Zárate, Associate Artistic Director; Alberto Lopez, Co-founder and Artistic Associate; Noemy Hernandez, Artistic Associate; and musical direction by Sinuhé Padilla. For additional information about the artists, please visit www.calpullidance.org.

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