



A CELEBRATION OF SOULS: DAY OF THE DEAD IN SOUTHERN MEXICO

Each November 1 and 2, families in villages across Mexico gather to welcome home the visiting spirits of departed relatives on the *Día de los Muertos* (Day of the Dead). Families prepare for the celebration weeks in advance by planning lively reunions, decorating burial plots, and preparing special foods. Participants honor the deceased with home altars that include skeleton models, elaborate wreaths and crosses, votive lights, and fresh seasonal flowers. **Encounter the colorful traditions of this luminous holiday with 26 stunning color photographs that capture Day of the Dead celebrations in and around Oaxaca, Mexico.** Join villagers immersed in all aspects of the celebration—preparing centuries-old recipes for the departed, scattering trails of marigolds to guide the dead home, and offering chocolate and *pan de muerto* (“bread of the dead”) at community gatherings. Through gorgeous photographs and engaging panels in English and Spanish, *A Celebration of Souls* brings the vibrant Day of the Dead traditions to communities around the world.





Exhibition Details

CONTENTS:

26 framed color photographs, 12 content panels, 1 title panel, 26 photograph labels on disk; insurance included

SIZE:

At least 100 linear ft. (30.48 m.)

ENVIRONMENT:

5-10 foot candle capability required; no natural light in gallery; temperature and humidity controls preferred but not strictly required if works will be protected from extreme variance in conditions.

RENTAL FEE:

\$5,000 for 3 months, plus shipping

LANGUAGE:

All text in English and Spanish; language may be converted by international host venues

AUDIENCE:

Adults, families, and school groups

APPROPRIATE FOR:

Natural history museums, art museums, history museums, cultural centers

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