

BorderAid “Amor Sin Fronteras” Mother’s Day Concert

A soulful Mother's Day web-concert tribute celebrating the strength, courage, wisdom and infinite love of mothers everywhere, especially those separated from their families by deportation, being held in detention centers around the U.S. or being forced to stay in Mexico, putting their lives at grave risk. Donations received will benefit frontline humanitarian & legal aid organizations working on immigration and border issues.

The one-hour show features poetry, a wide variety of music genres, from salsa and mariachi, to ballads and world beat and community leaders speaking in these arenas. Highlights include Austin Music Award winning songwriter, Patricia Vonne, the debut of “Esperanza” by the Texicana Mamas, poetry by Berkeley Poet Laureate, Rafael Jesus Gonzalez, Mariachi songstress Cecilia Flores, Texas Poet Laureate, Carmen Tafolla, international music festival legend, Fantuzzi, Maria D’Luz, David and Maximino Manzanares, Nosotros, Consuelo Luz, LET THEM ROAR, and many others.

Amor Sin Fronteras - Lineup

Song: “Esperanza” - Texicana Mamas, San Antonio/Austin, TX & Nashville, TN

www.texicanamamas.com

A collaborative effort between three of the state's most celebrated Latina musicians, Tish Hinajosa, Stephanie Urbina Jones and Patricia Vonne, the Texicana Mamas have performed at Latinpalooza, Nashville's Bluebird Cafe, and have a forthcoming album. All three women are San Antonio natives with deep roots in the Latino/Anglo culture of South Texas.

Song: “Amor Sin Fronteras” - written by Alberto Kreimerman; sung by Maria D’Luz, McAllen, TX

•• See lyrics to this song below ••

www.youtube.com/watch?v=L8gBe5mHH1k

www.mariadluz.com

www.facebook.com/alberto.kreimerman

Maria D’Luz, a Mexican-American award winning singer-songwriter, with over 18 years of experience, has performed on countless stages including the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., Houston’s House of Blues, Miami’s legendary Van Dykes, Sabado Gigante, and the Hard Rock Cafe in San Antonio to name a few.

Poem: “Feeding You” - Carmen Tafolla, San Antonio, TX

www.carmenafolla.net

Long considered one of the madrinan of Chicana Literature and a master of bilingual code-switching, Tafolla is the author of more than twenty books and the recipient of the Americas Award, two Tomas Rivera Book Awards, and the Art of Peace Award for writing which furthers peace, justice, and human understanding.

Song: “Cancion Para El Dia De Las Madres” - Cecilia Flores, Atlanta, GA

www.facebook.com/Cecilia-Flores-1413955842188273

Song: "Amor Enterno" - written by Juan Gabriel, performed by The Tierra Girls, Austin, TX
www.tiarragirls.com

The fierce sisterhood of Tiffany, Tori, and Sophia Baltierra make up the Tierra Girls. They are three-time Austin Music Award winners and Ann Richards School alumni. The power trio delivers an eclectic sound and anthemic lyrics celebrating a message of unity and empowerment.

Speaker: Marcela Diaz, Executive Director, Somos Un Pueblo Unido, Santa Fe, NM
www.somosunpueblounido.org

Somos Un Pueblo Unido works to build a community that does not discriminate against people based on their national origin, that institutes humane migration policies, and that protects the human rights of everyone irrespective of where they are born or what documents they carry.

Song: "Voces Latinas" - Myrna & The Bulldog, New York, NY
www.myrnaandthebulldog.com/photos

The award winning, husband wife, singing-songwriting duo's shows can be described as theatrical giving you a glimpse of two performers who aren't afraid to bare their souls emotionally and lyrically.

Song: "Mama Tierra, Paz y Amor" - Nosotros, Santa Fe, NM
www.nosotrosmusic.net

www.nosotrosmusic.net/videos
www.youtube.com/watch?v=I0CdvIRROUc&feature=youtu.be

This 9-piece Latin music powerhouse, seamlessly combines Latin rhythms with elements of rock, salsa, jazz, and cumbia, creating an original sound that is unmistakably Nosotros! But M.W. Schenck of Hyperactive Music Magazine may have interpreted their sound best by saying "Nosotros' music is not to be explained, it is to be felt in the pit of our souls."

Song: "Border Song" - Fantuzzi, Pahoia, HI
www.fantuzzimusic.com

Of Puerto-Rican parents and born into Spanish Harlem in the '50s, Fantuzzi's music is "Mystic Latin, Reggae, Afro-Funk" - infused with the energies and rhythms of Afro-Caribbean Nyabinghi, Latin Salsa, Merengue, African drums, Devotional Kirtan, giving voice to unique chants, soul-rich songs and electrifying sensual dance. Fantuzzi's best selling CDs include 2014's eclectic *Ease & Grace*, (labelled "Good Medicine" by Emanuel Lieberfreund, extraordinary Australian musician), the celebratory *Tribal Revival* and the uniquely ethereal "soul butter" of *Divine Inspiration*.

Speaker: Joshua Whinston, Rabbi, Temple Beth Emeth, Ann Arbor, MI
www.templebethemeth.org

Rabbi Josh Whinston serves as spiritual leader at Temple Beth Emeth in Ann Arbor, Michigan. After partnering with Immigrant Families Together and helping reunite a mother who had been separated from her children in the summer of 2018, Rabbi Whinston's life changed forever. He helped organize a rally outside the child detention center in Tornillo, Texas in November 2018 and continues to work on migrant justice issues locally and nationally.

Speaker: Linda Rivas, Exec. Director, Las Americas Immigrant Advocacy Center, El Paso, TX
www.las-americas.org

Las Americas provides free and low-cost legal services to immigrants and refugees in West Texas and New Mexico. They have served 30,000 people from over 80 countries since 1987.

Song: "Con Vos" - Isaac & Nora with Nicolas, France
www.facebook.com/Isaac-et-Nora-831785520544394
www.youtube.com/channel/UCWHft6H90iAkeDB_deJOAEg

Poem: "Las Cobijas / The Blankets" - Rafael Jesús González, Berkeley, CA
www.rjgonzalez.blogspot.com

Born in the bicultural/bilingual setting of El Paso, Texas/Juárez, Chihuahua, attended the University of Texas El Paso, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, & the University of Oregon. Professor Emeritus of Creative Writing & Literature, taught at the University of Oregon, Western State College of Colorado, Central Washington State University, the University of Texas El Paso, and Laney College, Oakland where he founded the Mexican and Latin American Studies Dept.

Song: "Soy - El Dia de las Madres" - melody composed by The Gipsy Kings, lyrics written, arranged & performed by David & Maximino Manzanares, Abiquiu, NM
www.themaxpack.com
www.manzband.com
www.facebook.com/manzanaresysol

In this father/son duo, David, known for his hot Spanish guitar and soulful vocals sings with his son Maximino, a quickly rising star in his own right for his renditions of big band era classics and recipient of the 2017 Mayor's Arts Award in Santa Fe, NM.

Song: "Madre de Perla" - Patricia Vonne, Austin, TX
www.patriciavonne.com
www.patriciavonne.com/gallery
www.patriciavonne.com/videos

Three time Austin Music Award winner Patricia Vonne wrote this song that celebrates the spirit and amor sin fronteras of her own mother. Hailed as a "Renaissance woman of Austin, Texas" by the *New York Times*, Patricia Vonne has claimed many titles in her illustrious career: singer, songwriter, actress, activist and most recently, award winning filmmaker.

Song: "Sweet Mother" - Consuelo Luz, Santa Fe, NM
www.consueloluz.com

Consuelo Luz, vocal alchemist, singer/songwriter, activist, award-winning recording and performance artist, known worldwide for her soulful interpretations, has performed internationally, produced and recorded eight albums and her works are included in many international music compilations such as the popular Buddha Bar and Putumayo series. Raised in Greece, the Philippines, Spain, Italy and Peru by Chilean/Cuban parents, after seven years of classical piano training Consuelo switched to guitar at age fourteen in order to learn legendary Peruvian songwriter Chabuca Granda's folk songs which, together with beloved South American love ballads and the protest songs of the sixties.

Song: "I See My Light" - LET THEM ROAR, Carbondale, Colorado
www.letthemroar.com

"I See My Light," the title of this band's newest single, is a song inspired by women who've taken Sanctuary in Colorado. LET THEM ROAR believes in the power of music to Connect, to Heal, and Inspire. They are a band in service to this power in a way that builds bridges not walls, with a desire to cultivate meaningful community. They're currently raising money for immigrant justice.

Song: "Love Bless America" - Isaac Aragon & The Healing, Albuquerque, NM
www.youtube.com/watch?v=kaMJYji2vOM
www.isaacaragon.com

Like sugarcane honeysuckle licorice root nourishment for the soul, Isaac Aragon & The Healing is a potent seven-piece Soul band based in Albuquerque, NM. Hell-bent on inspiring movement of the body and soul, their socially charged music promotes love, healing and social justice.

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"Amor Sin Fronteras" - music & lyrics by Alberto Kreimerman

*In search of a dream I left my little town
I was very young I wanted to succeed
Everyone told me "over there on the other side
The thing is easier, you can do it."*

*And I went north I met its people
And in this new land I formed my home
My children were born, I loved two flags
And I continued fighting to progress.*

*Love without borders without fear without hatred
We are good people do not love me bad
God made us equal and gave us rights
That no one on earth can take from us.*

*Love without borders let us progress together
You need me as I do you
I respect you and demand the same
Love without borders, love is peace.*

*I do not hide my origin, I am Mexican
I cleaned your floors, I took care of your garden
I cooked your food, I painted your house
I built roads, I was your driver.*

*Like many others I planted your land
Took care of your children, fixed your home
You called me if you had problems
Do not say now that I am illegal.*

*Love without borders without fear without hatred
We are good people, do not love me ba
God made us equal and gave us rights
Than no one on earth can take from us.*

*Love without borders let us progress together
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What is missing is love.