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### **Día de Muertos- Downtown Nacogdoches**

(Nacogdoches, TX) – This year’s Día de Muertos Fiesta will be celebrated on Saturday, November 3rd from 4:00-8:00 pm in downtown Nacogdoches. Events include performances by Jeana Paul-Ureña and Juan Carlos Ureña, the Chikawa Aztec Dancers, folklorico dance troupes, and more. There will also be several children’s activities, food and craft vendors, a costume contest, and poetry readings.

Día de Muertos is a holiday that is celebrated in most parts of Mexico and some parts of Latin America to remember and honor the dead. Different regions of Mexico have different traditions, but most common are the building of ofrendas (altars), visiting cemeteries, reciting calaveras (short rhyming poems that mock death), and making foods enjoyed by the deceased. The Nacogdoches celebration combines many of these traditions.

Space is still available for anyone who wants to display an altar or a Calavera Poem. Anyone wishing more information on participating in the event may call the

Nacogdoches Public Library staff at 936-559-2970 or visit the website at

[www.ci.nacogdoches.tx.us/library](http://www.ci.nacogdoches.tx.us/library).