

CALL FOR ART

Día de los Muertos / Day of the Dead

Our High Desert Community is invited to participate in making altars that honor and remember loved ones who have passed away.

Why do we make altars?

Día de los Muertos is the Mexican celebration of the dead in which loved ones are commemorated. It originated from and mixed the indigenous Aztec and Spanish cultures and religions. Día de los Muertos is not Halloween, although both are related to Catholicism and All Saints' Day (November 1) and All Souls' Day (November 2).

Traditionally, altars are created in homes for loved ones who have passed away. Decorated with food, drinks, candles, incense, flowers sugar skulls, and photos, the altars lead the departed back to their loved ones, who remember and honor them.

This event is produced in conjunction with students from the Art Department at Copper Mountain College. Students and staff will be present to assist in setting up altars.

Venue:

29 Palms Public Cemetery
5350 Encelia Ave, Twentynine Palms, CA 92277

Creation of Altars:

October 30, 2-5pm

Open to Public:

October 30, 6-9pm
October 31, Noon-3pm

Breakdown of Altars:

Oct. 31, 3-4pm

Altars will be constructed in and around the cemetery community room. The Cemetery will provide tables and white linens for altars. Please bring your own boxes for height.

What to bring for your altar:

Colorful cloth, **battery operated candles**, photos, food, drink, flowers, incense, sugar skulls, mementos of the person's life (books, music, favorite items, etc.)

For more information, please call or text or email:

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