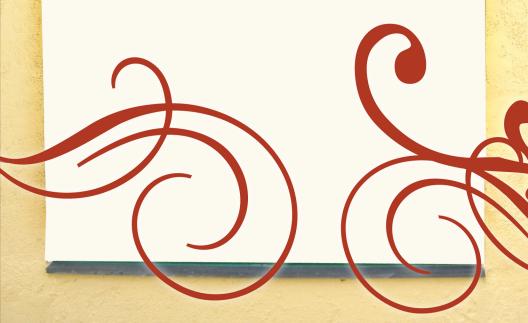


Gelebración, de Glen Echo Park

Saturday, May 16, 2009





Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture and His Excellency Jorge Dezcallar, Ambassador of Spain

Honorary Chair

Welcome you to

Celebración, de Glen, Echo Park

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Reception

Bumper Car Pavilion Flamenco Performance by Marsha Bonet-Savchenko with Bo Baumuller, Lorena Guerra, and Maya Simpkins

Dinner

Spanish Ballroom

Special Exhibitions

Jeff Kirk and Glen Echo Pottery
Spanish Ballroom Lobby and Popcorn Gallery

Master of Ceremonies

Felix Contreras, National Public Radio

Welcome

Margo Reid, President Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture

Celebratory Toast

Ambassador Jorge Dezcallar Embassy of Spain

Friend of Glen Echo Park Award

The Honorable Chris Van Hollen, U.S. House of Representatives

Organizational Achievement Award

Glen Echo Pottery Jeff Kirk, Founder and Artistic Director

Corporate Volunteer Award

Marriott International, Inc.
Chauny Dunbar, Director, Information Resources

Individual Achievement Award

Councilwoman Nancy Long, Town of Glen Echo

Special Recognition

Ranger Stan Fowler, National Park Service

Performances

Zarzuela excerpt performed by Jesús Daniel Hernandez, José Ortega, and Micaëla Oeste with pianist Andrew Crooks members of the Washington National Opera Domingo-Cafritz Young Artist Program

> Salsa Performance by Keith Givens and Latin Motion Dance Company

Music

Orquesta La Sensual

2009 Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture Honorees

Friend of Glen Echo Park Award The Honorable Chris Van Hollen, U.S. House of Representatives

Representative Chris Van Hollen was elected to Congress in 2002 in a high profile election that received national attention and he has quickly earned a reputation as an active, engaged and effective member of Congress. The Washington Post described Rep. Van Hollen as "an astute lawmaker" who has "distinguished himself as a shrewd legislative player in Congress." The Baltimore Sun and Roll Call newspapers called him a "rising star" in Congress and the Democratic Party. Rep. Van Hollen serves as Assistant to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and is Chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. He serves on the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Representing Maryland's 8th district, home to Glen Echo Park, Rep. Van Hollen has been a staunch supporter of the restoration and continuation of the Park and its diverse cultural programs. Both as a State Senator and Congressman, Rep. Van Hollen was instrumental in securing the capital funding necessary to complete the Park's restoration. He has been a tireless advocate in Congress for the Park, including ensuring that the Glen Echo Park Partnership has the resources it needs to make this unique model of public/private cooperation in park management a success. Congressman Van Hollen is a true Friend of Glen Echo Park.

Organizational Achievement Award Glen Echo Pottery Jeff Kirk. Founder and Artistic Director

Founded over 30 years ago by Jeff Kirk, Glen Echo Pottery is a vibrant, year-round pottery school offering classes for adults and teens at all skill levels. One of several major resident arts organizations at Glen Echo Park, the pottery program is, according to Jeff, "a haven for individual creativity." Housed in the Park's yurt structures, the pottery program has expanded and nurtured the artistic talent of thousands of students and produced many extraordinary potters and instructors. It all started in 1975, when Jeff established himself as an artist-in-residence at Glen Echo Park and moved the Park's fledgling pottery classes out of the old

amusement park cafeteria and into the yurts, thereby establishing a permanent home for Glen Echo Pottery. Today, Jeff oversees all aspects of Glen Echo Pottery's operations, and he also teaches beginning through advanced students, mounts gallery exhibitions at the Park, judges ceramics shows for other local organizations, and occasionally fulfills public commissions. His work has been presented in many local and national exhibitions and can be found in private collections in the United States and Europe.

Corporate Volunteer Award Marriott International, Inc. Chauny Dunbar, Director, Information Resources

Named one of "America's Most Admired Companies" by Fortune magazine, Marriott International, Inc. has a tradition of community service. Glen Echo Park has been the grateful recipient of this spirit of volunteerism for more than ten years. Each year, as part of their Spirit to Serve Our Communities program, over 100 employees work at Glen Echo Park on beautification projects, including planting flowers and trees, laying sod, and painting buildings; restoration projects, including rehabilitating the Bumper Car Pavilion; and assisting with Park programs and events, such as helping to install performance tents for the annual Washington Folk Festival and building the stage floor for Adventure Theatre when it moved temporarily to the Spanish Ballroom. The pride and teamwork of Marriott's employees shine through in every project. They accomplish a great deal—working together and in good spirit on behalf of the public. We are so fortunate to have Marriott International as a corporate partner at the Park.

Individual Achievement Award Councilwoman Nancy Long, Town of Glen Echo

Nancy Long envisioned and led the effort to save Glen Echo Park's historic Dentzel carousel. In 1969, the carousel was slated to be sold along with other Glen Echo Park rides after the amusement park closed. With the support of Mayor Frank Corder and the town council of Glen Echo as well as Congressman Gilbert Gude, Nancy recruited volunteers and raised \$80,000 in one month to purchase the carousel. The carousel was then given to the National Park Service with the stipulation that it remain in perpetuity in Glen Echo Park and be kept open to the public to ride and enjoy. In addition, Nancy has been the driving force behind the Park's Labor Day Art Show since its inception in 1971—recruiting artists

and volunteers and currently curating the exhibitions. Given her interest in historic preservation and land use, Nancy was named the first chairman of the C&O Canal National Historical Park Commission; she was sworn in to a five-year term by Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas in 1971. She currently represents Montgomery County on this commission. An elected councilmember for the Town of Glen Echo for 40 years, Nancy continues to be a vital part of both the Park and Town communities.

Special Recognition Ranger Stan Fowler, National Park Service

Stan Fowler, also known as the "Dancing Ranger," has been an integral part of the dance programs at Glen Echo Park since 1976. Stan's commitment to the program and the dance venues at the Park-the Spanish Ballroom and Bumper Car Pavilion—has been extraordinary. He began running the program in 1980, when the structure and facilities of the Ballroom were still in a state of disrepair—but the dances thrived. In 1993, when engineers announced that the Ballroom would have to close for six months for repairs, Stan and a group of volunteers worked hard to stabilize the floor supports, saving both time and money and enabling the dance program to continue. Two years later, Stan led volunteers in a major effort to restore the Bumper Car Pavilion that included replacing floorboards and stabilizing the building. In addition, through his own love of dance, Stan has encouraged countless visitors to experience the joy of social dancing in the Park's unique setting. Everyone involved in the dance program at Glen Echo Park has enormous gratitude for Stan's undiminished dedication to the Park.

Master of Ceremonies Felix Contreras, National Public Radio

Felix Contreras is a reporter and producer for NPR's Arts and Information Unit. He specializes in coverage of jazz, world music, and Latino arts and culture. Mr. Contreras also covers a wide variety of arts and media industry related subjects, including the growth and regulation of digital downloading and media issues before the Federal Communications Commission. Mr. Contreras is a former television journalist who has covered national and international news for NBC and Univision. His extensive background in the arts includes directing a Latin jazz festival in Fresno, university lecturing on Latino arts and culture, and producing live performance programs for PBS. Mr. Contreras is a percussionist with a 7-piece Latin jazz group, and he has performed at Glen Echo Park in the past.

Honorary Chair His Excellency Jorge Dezcallar, Ambassador of Spain

Ambassador Dezcallar has served as Spain's Ambassador to the United States since 2008. The Ambassador has had a distinguished career in government and business, serving as General-Secretary of the International Strategy Council of Repsol, Ambassador to the Holy See and to the Sovereign and Military Order of Malta, and Ambassador to the Kingdom of Morocco. He has held many positions in Spain's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, including Director General for Political Affairs, Director General for Foreign Policy in Africa and the Middle East and Deputy Director for Northern Africa. Ambassador Dezcallar has been awarded several Spanish and foreign decorations, including the Gran Cruz de la Orden de Isabel la Católica.

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About the Glen Echo Park Partnership

Established by Montgomery County and the National Park Service in 2002, the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture is a nonprofit organization dedicated to encouraging public participation in all that the Park has to offer as well as preserving the Park's historic resources for generations to come.

Glen Echo Park is a community of artists, educators, dancers, and performers who share their knowledge and expertise with participants and audiences of all ages and skill levels. The Partnership makes it possible for this extraordinary community to thrive.

Each year, more than 450,000 people visit the Park for festivals, exhibitions, and social dances as well as children's theater, art classes, and nature programs.

Your support of the Gala and the Partnership helps ensure the success of all of these efforts.

The Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, Inc. is funded by an operating grant from the Maryland State Arts Council, an agency dedicated to cultivating a vibrant cultural community where the arts thrive, and also by funding from the Montgomery County government and the Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County. In addition, individual, foundation, and corporate donors generously support the Partnership. All programs are produced in cooperation with the National Park Service and Montgomery County, Maryland.

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Other Programs and Activities at the Park

Visual and Performing Arts Classes – sculpture, clay animation, arts and crafts, dance and movement, and other disciplines

Social Dances and Classes - in the Spanish Ballroom and Bumper Car Pavilion co-produced by the Partnership and a host of presenters

Festivals - Family Day, Washington Folk Festival, Then and Wow, and more

Art Exhibitions - in the Popcorn Gallery and other Park venues throughout the year

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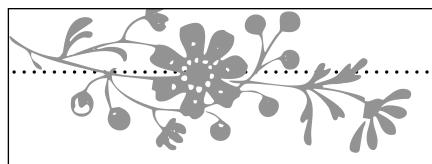
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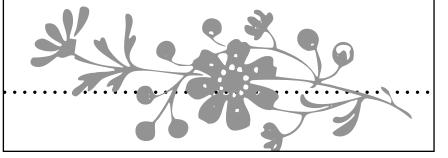
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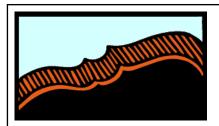
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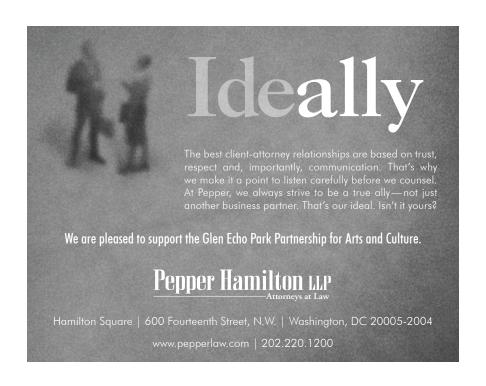
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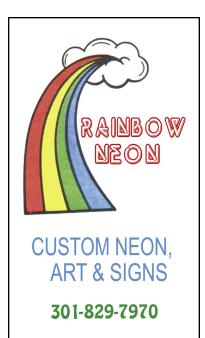


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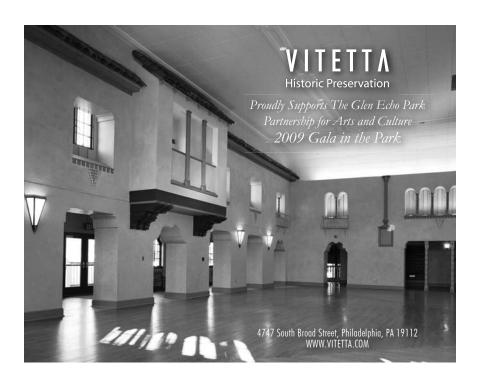
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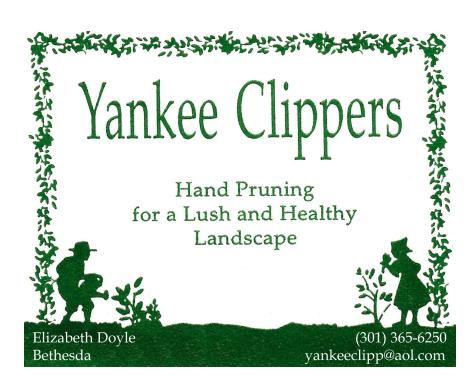
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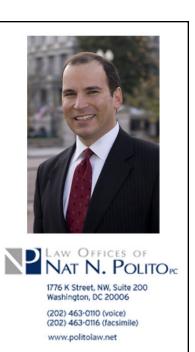
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