



OFRENDAS

ALTAR EXHIBITION



2019 OFRENDAS/MEMORIAL ALTAR EXHIBITION APPLICATION

FINAL DUE DATE – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2019
****PLEASE NOTE: ALTAR SPACES WILL BE ASSIGNED IN THE ORDER APPLICATIONS AND PAYMENTS ARE RECEIVED. SPACES ARE LIMITED!**

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Text Cell Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

ALTAR INFORMATION:

Altar Title: _____

Brief description of person(s) being remembered:

SPACE SIZE:

Depth: 3 Feet (No more than 3 feet away from wall); Width: 4 Feet; Height: 6 - 8 Feet (must be structurally safe).

FEE: \$40 per 3 by 4 space.

Applicant's signature indicates commitment to all exhibition regulations and to full payment.

Signature: _____

Applications may be submitted via email to lgavito6@gmail.com or may be sent to MECA 1900 Kane Street, Houston, TX 77007. All payments are to be made to MECA.

Space will not be reserved until full payment is made.

(Exhibition regulations on next page. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY)

MECA'S DIA DE MUERTOS/DAY OF THE DEAD ALTAR EXHIBITION

PLEASE REVIEW CAREFULLY

WEEKEND EXHIBIT SET-UP:

October 12th & 13th, October 19th & 20th - Saturdays 10:00 A.M.–5:00 P.M.; Sundays 11:00 A.M.–5:00 P.M.
All exhibits must be fully completed by end of day October 20th.
Ofrendas Blessing October 25th 7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

DON'T: DO NOT USE HALLOWEEN OR SANTA MUERTE DÉCOR.

MECA staff reserves the right to remove anything that may be considered culturally offensive or insensitive to the Mexican Tradition of the Day of the Dead or may be a safety/health hazard. When in doubt of appropriateness of item ask Luis Gavito, curator.

BE CREATIVE, COLORFUL, AND RESPECTFUL. Respect the space of others by staying within the boundaries of the space reserved. Be respectful to the remembered – the honored – to the tradition.

TRADITIONAL ELEMENTS: Use as many traditional elements as possible – respect the Mexican Tradition - Santos, crosses, Calaveras, Catrinas, candles, copal, marigolds, gladiolas, calla lilies, papel picado, butterflies, water, salt, family pictures, sugar skulls, ofrendas, etc. Keep store bought items to a minimum or refurbish/repurpose store bought items. HOME MADE CRAFTS AND DÉCOR ARE THE BEST.
Allow the altar to tell a story of the loved one(s) of the remembered.

OFRENDAS: can be items that were used or loved by the departed one. Use artificial foods, fruits, and breads since real uncovered foods/fruits can attract rodents or may rot. DON'T FORGET - Flowers, flowers, flowers...

BE AWARE: as much as the Altars will be monitored, they will be opened for public exhibition. Do not place anything on the altars that may be too precious or valuable to be lost, stolen, or damaged. MECA does not take responsibility for lost or broken items.

SPACE: Width, depth, height should be completely covered/decorated. Use multi-levels – the top level should be dedicated to Santos/Religious items, middle level for the honored, and bottom level for the ofrendas. GOOGLE – Day of the Dead Altars to get ideas and make them your own. Pay attention to the background!



SIDE VIEW - FLOOR