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Reunion Concert in Santa Paula and Book Reading in Ventura



The Home Boys, at Las Piedras Park, circa 1976; l-r: Art "Puggy" Porras, Teddy Hurtado, Robert Torres, Xavier "X" Montes, Bill Ramirez, George Castañeda, Tony "Big T" Ontiveros, Maurilio "Mau" Gonzales.

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~ **SAVE THE DATE**
 ~ **The Home Boys Reunion**
 ~ **at the Glen Tavern Inn**
 ~ **June 14, 2008!**

I was a member of the nine-member band was one of the hottest and most soft-after dance band in Ventura County from 1974-1978. **The Home Boys** (back in those days, the term "home boys" was innocent and a home boy was simply someone from your hometown) played college campuses, weddings, parties, baptisms and other fun social events providing Latin Jazz, Top 10 and Mexican corridos among other music. We are reuniting for the first time in almost 30 years. This reunion is part of my long-term project to document various musicians from Santa Paula. I have had two "old-timer" reunions of musicians now in their 70s – 80s. This one, the Home Boys, is from my generation. I had been thinking alot about this reunion but had not acted until our good friend & rhythm guitar player, Ernie Rodriguez passed away several months ago. He was our age. I felt that we cannot let any more time go by without getting together, having some musical fun and perhaps most importantly documenting our time together. We will reunite for what promises to be a memorable evening of music, old friends, dancing and just plain going back to the 70s. Come and join us at the **Glen Tavern, 134 No. Mill St., on June 14 from 3pm to 10pm**, outside in front of the **Iron Horse Restaurant**. There is no admission, food and beverages may be purchased from the restaurant. Folks are encouraged to bring your own chairs and perhaps an umbrella or hats during the day.

Also, performing during this event **Los Perros** (Xavier "Big Perro" Montes, Carlos "Little Perrito" Moraza, and Ramon Lopez) and **The Morazas** (various members of the Moraza family of Santa Paula and Ventura). These two groups were performing during the same period as **The Homeboys** and often at the same events, when one group would play for the reception and the other for the dance. Also performing will be my mentees, **Remember to Forget**, a contemporary Reggae band.

WHEN: Saturday, June 14, from 3 pm to 10 pm
WHERE: Glen Tavern Inn, 134 No. Mill St., Santa Paula
For more information, call Xavier at 805.525.8961

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Art Show Honoring the Zapatista Movement ~ Una Noche de Otro Arte ~ Friday, June 6, 2008

Under the Sun Gallery will be hosting this very special art show dedicated to raising awareness about the Zapatista Movement in Chiapas Mexico. Special guest, **Canek Peña-Vargas** will read from his recently published book, "*The Speed of Dreams, Selected writings of Subcomandante Marcos*".

This special event will also feature the art of *Xavier Montes*, *Dolores Haro*, *Emilia Garcia*, *Edmund Lara*, *Eduardo Espinoza*, *Andriam Gaspar*, *Rudy Calderón*, and *Arturo Perez*.

What: Art Show Honoring the Zapatistas

Where: Under the Sun Gallery, 432 No. Ventura Avenue, Bell Arts Factory

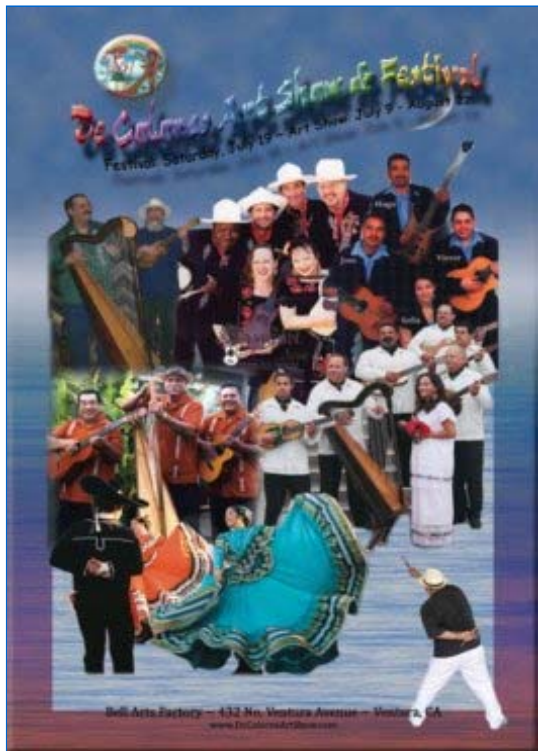
When: Reception will be held on Friday, June 6 from 6 to 8 pm; the Art Show will continue from May 27 to

June 28.

For more information: Please call 805.804.6433; or email underthesungallery@yahoo.com

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~ SAVE THE DATE ~ De Colores Art Show & Festival ~ at the Bell Arts Factory ~ July 9 - August 22, 2008!



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That's a draft of this year's poster on the left.

Missing are the logos of our sponsors: **CAUSE (Central Coast Alliance United for a Sustainable Economy)** and **Cabrillo Economic Development Corp.** Thank you to these organizations for their support. (However, we still could use the help -- any amount. Please know what I am a 100% volunteer, so is Carmen. No one associated with organizing this art show & festival receives any compensation. Everything goes to pay expenses so that all who attend have a great cultural experience.)

Our line-up of musicians includes the fabulous **Conjunto Jardin** who will be making a rare appearance in Ventura County and playing selections from their new CD, **"Yerba Buena"**. Also **La Familia Moraza** (Alma Grande) who grew up on the Avenue; **Chucumite** (John Robles and Robert Peralta); my group, **Trio De Colores** (joining me are Albert Rodriguez and Eddie Lara); and a great local Latin-band, **Los Amigos**, who play a variety of music in Spanish, that includes boleros, baladas, rancheras, and cumbias.

You will love their sound.

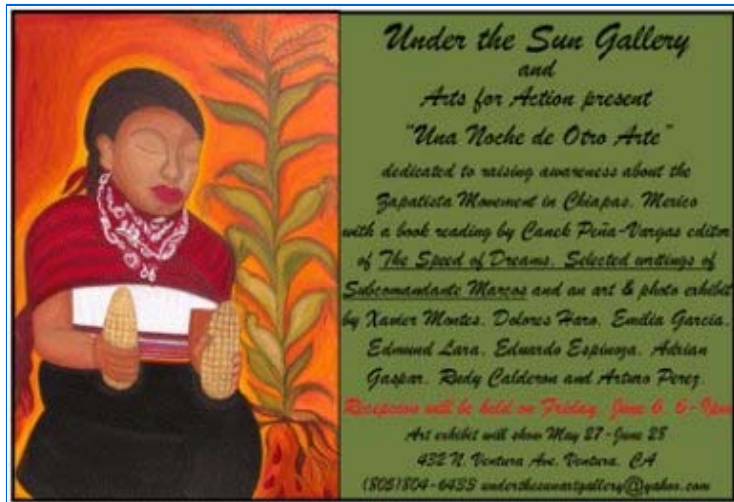
Our folklorico dance group is the great **Folklorico Mestizo of Oxnard College**. You have seen this very talented group of dancers at both of our Fandangos and at our most recent De Colores in 2006.

We will also have artist booths and the popular **Rincon de Niños** (our Children's Art Korner). **Save the Date - Saturday, July 19, 2008 at the Bell Arts Factory on the Avenue in Ventura. Please visit our website often for latest information: www.DeColoresArtShow.com**

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