

Celebración De Vida By Mexicráneos Unveiled At Discovery Green® And The Plaza At Avenida Houston

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HOUSTON, TX, USA, September 21, 2021 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Discovery Green and Houston First Corporation will unveil Celebración de Vida by MEXICRÁNEOS on October 6. The unveiling marks the U.S. debut of this public art installation consisting of 10, 7-feet-tall skulls which were painted by Mexican artists.

The skulls will be placed throughout the park and along the plaza at Avenida Houston beginning October 6



Rendering of Celebración de Vida by MEXICRÁNEOS on the Jones Lawn at Discovery Green. Celebración de Vida will be on view October 6, 2021 through November 7, 2021.

and will be on view through November 7. Admission is free. Visitors are invited to share their experiences using the hashtags #mexicraneos, #discoverygreen and #avenidahouston. More information is available at www.discoverygreen.com/mexicraneos.

"Houston's rich and diverse culture is what makes it a one-of-a-kind destination, so I am excited to partner with Discovery Green to bring such an impressive creative experience to our city," said Michael Heckman, president and CEO, Houston First Corporation. "Art elevates us all and helps promote greater understanding. As we observe Hispanic Heritage Month, I know this installation will be celebrated and appreciated by visitors and residents alike."

MEXICRÁNEOS is an urban art collective created to celebrate Mexican popular culture through one of its richest and most ancient traditions, Día de los Muertos. Celebración de Vida marks the first time the artists have showcased their work in the United States. Prior installations were seen along Avenida de Reforma in Mexico City, and Paris and Lille in France. The Houston-based company, Creativa helped to bring Celebración de Vida by MEXICRÁNEOS to Houston.

Día de los Muertos, or "Day of the Dead," is a Mexican holiday where families and friends gather to celebrate and remember those who have died. The holiday's popularity has crossed borders as a display of the Mexican imaginative soul.

To celebrate Día de los Muertos alongside the Celebración de Vida art installation, Houston artist Angel Quesada will create a community altar on view November 1 from 4 to 9 p.m. Visitors are invited to participate by bringing copies of photos or mementos of loved ones to leave on



the altar. (Please note: Visitors should not bring items they want returned to them.)

"For three years Discovery Green has held Día de los Muertos celebrations in the park as part of our mission to shine a light on the diversity of traditions that exist in Houston," said Discovery



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In-person or telephone interviews with Mexican artist Romain Greco, head of MEXICRÁNEOS are available. Please contact Discovery Green Marketing Manager, Frankie Ortega at frankie@discoverygreen.com to arrange.

Information about the artists and images of the artwork can be found at discoverygreen.co/skulls

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free to the public. The park also features two on-site restaurants, the award-winning destination restaurant The Grove and the fast-casual The Lake House, providing visitors with an array of dining options. As a nonprofit organization, the Conservancy raises all the funds needed for the programming that Houstonians enjoy. For more information, please visit www.discoverygreen.com.

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