

MAS Club Officers



Irma Jaimes

Irma is in her second year at the University of Northern Colorado. She is studying Business with an emphasis in Marketing and minoring in Chinese. This summer she will be studying abroad in China, she is really excited! Irma loves to read books. She also likes to take her little brother to the movies. When she first learned about MAS club she became very interested in joining. With time she became the secretary of the club. The part that she enjoys the most is spending time with all of the students. Thursday is a very special day for her because she gets to see all of the kids at Dos Rios.

Cailin Lichty

Cailin is one of the co-presidents of MAS club. She joined a year ago and has loved it so far. She is an Elementary Education major with both English as a Second Language and Spanish concentrations. She loves languages and learning about how they work. Her favorite part of MAS club is getting to work with the kids at Dos Rios every week. She loves working with children and being able to see them blossom into the amazing people they are.



Katlyn 'Kat' Pedone

Kat is a freshman at the University of Northern Colorado studying Elementary Education and minoring in Special Education. She joined the Mexican American Studies club this year, and absolutely loves it! She got involved in this club because she was lab partners with the co-president, Cailin Lichty, who got her involved in the fleece tie blanket project and after that she was hooked and has gone back every week! Her favorite moment of the year was seeing how passionate the kids were when making cards for the children at the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.



Amanda Ophaug

Amanda is a sophomore at UNC studying Elementary Education with a concentration in English as a Second Language. She joined MAS club just a semester ago, and loves playing with all of the kids and watching their creativity come out during all of the art projects.



Elizabeth Silbergleid

Elizabeth is a junior at the University of Northern Colorado studying Elementary Education with a concentration in ESL. Last spring she was taking MAS 275 when she learned about MAS club from her professor Dra. Canales. She went to one meeting and has been a member ever since. Elizabeth and Cailin, who was also in class with her, became co-presidents this past summer and have been leading the club ever since. Elizabeth is also a teacher at KinderCare Learning Center when she is not attending UNC. From there, she has brought many ideas for making MAS Arts club an even better experience for the Dos Rios students. Elizabeth's favorite moment this year was giving all the students the homemade fleece tie blankets MAS club gave all their students before winter break.



Alejandro 'Alex' Tapia

Alex is in his 3rd year at the University of Northern Colorado. He is majoring in Psychology with minors in Human Services and in Art. He is currently the vice president of Nu Alpha Kappa fraternity at UNC. He is happy to say that he has been volunteering at Dos Rios elementary school for more than two and a half years! One of his hobbies is to draw; he enjoys drawing small doodles and drawings for the kids of the program. He loves giving back to the community that raised him, and hopes that he is leaving a positive impact/influence on the kids to pursue higher education.



Tessa Zander

Tessa is a freshman at the University of Northern Colorado. Her major is Elementary Education. Her hobbies include rollerblading and spending time with her friends and family. She has been a member of the Mexican American Studies club for one semester and is loving it so far! Her favorite part is being able to work with, and interact with, all of the children at Dos Rios Elementary school who attend the after school program. Thanks so much for a great first semester guys!



7th Annual Mexican American Arts Festival

Thursday, April 9th

5:30-9:30pm

Sponsors:

Department of Hispanic Studies

César Chávez Cultural Center

Office of Enrollment Management & Student Recruitment



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Schedule for the Night

WELCOME FROM CO-PRESIDENTS OF MEXICAN AMERICAN STUDIES CLUB

Elizabeth Silbergeld and Cailin Lichty

DINNER AND ART EXHIBITS

Enjoy dinner with music and please visit our art exhibits:

Dos Ríos Students' Creative Artworks and

The Art of Teaching: A Unique Gallery by/for Teachers.

BRIEF HISTORY OF MEXICAN AMERICAN STUDIES CLUB

Dra. Genie Canales

Professor at UNC for nearly 25 years. Founder & Advisor of MAS Club

DRA. CANALES'S SPECIAL THANK YOU

INTRODUCTION OF CO-PRESIDENTS

DOS RÍOS SLAM POETS

Ms. Veronica Lucero, Dos Ríos Teacher & UNC Doctoral Student,
will introduce her student-poets.

George Joyce - *I am George*

Alexa Vicente - *I am a Funny Mexican American Girl*

Chris Rivas - *I am Cuban*

Josiah Mejia - *I am a Tree*

Adriana Villanueva - *I am a Mexican American with Pride*

Sierra Mejia - *Learn from the Past*

Daniel Sandoval - *I am a Mexican American Man*

Katey Molinar - *I am*

Isaac Ramirez - *I am*

Elise Ramos-Navarro - *I Love My Life*

INVITED SLAM POET: ELI GUERRA

"I am Proud"

CEREMONY

Recognition of Dos Ríos Student-Participants in After-School Arts Program.

15 MINUTE INTERMISSION GET UP AND DANCE!

PERFORMING ARTISTS & SLAM POETS

SLAM POETRY BY UNC STUDENTS

Lorenda Jiménez - *Who I Am*

Iris Morales - *Both But Neither*

Samantha Ortega - *One To Remember*

Brenda Robles - *Yo Soy Valiente y Determinada*

Karen Vargas - *Simply Me*

PERFORMING ARTIST: SILVIA GALLEGOS

UNC Student & Mexican Dance Instructor with a passion for dancing.

SLAM POETRY BY UNC STUDENTS

Janine Lange & Emily Peterson - *Aliadas Blancas (White Allies)*

Melanie Guido - *Who Is An American?*

Silvia Gallegos - *Volver*

Noah McGuire - *Turning Tides*

Tevan Trujillo - *Where I'm From*

PERFORMING ARTIST: AZANET RODRIGUEZ

UNC Student with a passion for singing.

SLAM POETRY BY UNC STUDENTS

Bryant James - *Wild*

Juanita Meraz-McClure - *Yo No Quiero*

Katie Petersen - *A Letter To My Younger Self*

Essence LaNeir - *I Know Who I Am*

Ariana Chavez - *No Apologies*

PERFORMING ARTIST: KATLYN PEDONE

UNC Student with a passion for singing.

SLAM POETRY BY UNC STUDENTS

Sarah Seifert - *Blank Slate*

Cassandra Toca - *Yo Soy (I Am)*

George Covarrubias - *The Language I Dream In*

Helen Espinosa - *Mi Raza*

PERFORMING ARTIST: VANESSA SALAZAR-TURRIAGO

Guitar performance

**GOOD NIGHT!
¡BUENAS NOCHES!**