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Rotunda Dance Series: Los Lupeños de San José

Presented by Dancers' Group and World Arts West, in partnership with Grants for the Arts and San Francisco City Hall

Free Friday, August 7, 2015 12 Noon San Francisco City Hall

SAN FRANCISCO, CA—July 1, 2015—On Friday, August 7, the Rotunda Dance Series continues its 5th season with a performance of traditional Mexican Folklórico by **Los Lupeños de San José** featuring dances from the Mexican states of Jalisco and Yucatán.

The high-profile **Rotunda Dance Series** brings many of the Bay Area's most celebrated dance companies to San Francisco City Hall's rotunda space for free monthly noon-time performances. The series is presented by Dancers' Group and World Arts West in partnership with Grants for the Arts and San Francisco City Hall.

Throughout 2015, the monthly Rotunda Dance Series celebrates the 100th anniversary of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. The 1915 Exposition left a lasting imprint on the San Francisco Bay Area, especially in regards to world dance and music. It is only fitting that the highly visible Rotunda Dance Series use this historic anniversary to celebrate the past, present and future of dance in the Bay Area.

About Los Lupeños de San José (loslupenos.org)

Founded in 1969, Los Lupeños de San José is recognized as one of the earliest Mexican folk dance companies in California. The company is known for its artistry, history, traditions, innovation, and endurance. Artists in Los Lupeños are passionate about learning and executing their art form, representing their culture, and being a positive force within the California dance community. As a program of the non-profit Cashion Cultural Legacy since 2014, Los Lupeños is re-establishing itself at the forefront of the folklórico dance genre. The company will be performing at San José's Mexican Heritage Plaza on September 26-27.

About World Arts West (worldartswest.org)

For over three decades, World Arts West has supported and presented world dance artists throughout the San Francisco Bay Area. The main presenting program of the organization is the nationally acclaimed *San Francisco Ethnic Dance Festival*, which presents over 100 distinct dance forms and thousands of local dancers who are sustaining and innovating within those forms. The organization works year round to advance cultural literacy and build bridges of cultural understanding.

About Dancers' Group (dancersgroup.org)

Dancers' Group promotes the visibility and viability of dance. Founded in 1982, we serve San Francisco Bay Area artists, the dance community and audiences through programs and services that are as

collaborative and innovative as the creative process. As a hybrid dance service and presenting organization for the second largest dance community in the country, Dancers' Group's many programs help artists produce work, build audiences, and connect with their peers and the community.

The 2015 Rotunda Dance Series continues:

Fri, Sep 4: Kaiwen You Chinese Dance Fri, Oct 2: Mary Sano and Her Duncan Dancers Fri, Nov 6: Nimely Pan African Dance Company Fri, Dec 4: Hālau 'o Kawainuhi

Visit dancersgroup.org/rotunda for more information

Calendar Editors please note:

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What: Free monthly dance performance, presented by Dancers' Group and World Arts West, in partnership with Grants for the Arts and San Francisco City Hall.
Cost: Free
Where: City Hall, San Francisco
When: Friday, August 7, 2015, Noon
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