



13TH ANNUAL USD MARIACHI CONFERENCE

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2026**

Limited spaces available—reserve your spot now!



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FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2026

Master Workshops: 1-3:30 p.m.

Student Mariachi Showcase: 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2026

Student Workshops: 9-3:30 p.m.

Grand Showcase: 6:30 p.m.

Join a celebration that brings people together! The USD Mariachi Conference is more than music—it is about building connections, sharing traditions, and inspiring the next generation of musicians. Experience two days of workshops and performances that strengthen our cultural community. March 13–14, 2026, at the University of San Diego, College of Arts and Sciences.

Secure your spot for the 13th Annual USD Mariachi Conference—limited spaces available!

EVENT SCHEDULE:

Mariachi Conference Workshops	Mariachi Student Showcase	Grand Showcase
<p>Check-In and Materials Pickup: Shiley Theatre, University of San Diego Friday, March 13 12-1 p.m.</p> <p>Student Workshops: Camino Hall, University of San Diego Friday, March 13 1-3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 14 9-3:30 p.m.</p> <p>Lunch: Saturday, March 14 12-1 p.m.</p>	<p>Mariachi Student Showcase: Shiley Theatre, University of San Diego Friday, March 13 6:30 p.m. (Call Time: 5:30 p.m.)</p> <p>Students will have the opportunity to showcase their talent and compete for a spot in the Grand Showcase on Saturday, March 14. We look forward to seeing the dedication and skill of all participants in this exciting event! Note: Instructors and directors may not perform with participating groups during the competition.</p>	<p>Grand Showcase: Shiley Theatre, University of San Diego Saturday, March 14 6:30 p.m. (Call Time: 5:30 p.m.)</p> <p>All students who participated in the workshops will take the stage to showcase what they have learned. Enjoy performances from the top three groups selected during the Student Mariachi Showcase, followed by a special concert featuring our professional mariachi guest artists. We look forward to celebrating the talent and dedication of every participant in this exciting event!</p>

LEVEL OF INSTRUCTION:

To get the most out of the workshops, students should be able to read music and have a basic understanding of their instrument. The workshops will cover violin, trumpet, guitarrón, armonía, harp, and voice, with three skill levels:

Novice: Basic knowledge of notes, chords, and rhythms on their instrument.

Intermediate: Average proficiency, familiarity with common mariachi scales (G, D, A), and the ability to read basic music.

Advanced: Strong music reading skills, understanding of music theory (time and key signatures, basic chords), and above-average technical ability on their instrument.

Directors should help students choose the right level based on these criteria, ensuring they receive the best instruction for their skill set.



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INDIVIDUAL INFORMATION: (Complete this section only if you are participating individually, without a group).

Full Name: _____ Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

GROUP INFORMATION: (Complete this section only if you are participating in a group).

Group Name: _____ School Name: _____

Director(s) Name(s) (Maximum of 2 per group): _____

Primary Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

FOR GROUPS ONLY: (Please select one option)

- Will be participating in the Student Mariachi Showcase
- Will not be participating in the Student Mariachi Showcase

If your group is participating, please provide the following:

GROUP'S BRIEF HISTORY: (Late submissions will not be accepted.)

SONG LIST FOR STUDENT MARIACHI SHOWCASE: (There is a limit of 8 minutes per group showcase performance).

1. Song Title: _____ Duration: _____
2. Song Title: _____ Duration: _____
3. Song Title: _____ Duration: _____



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PARTICIPANT INFORMATION:

Individual/Group Name: _____

LIST EACH STUDENT PARTICIPATING

All participating students must pay the registration fee, which includes lunch on Saturday and admission to both concert days.

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- The registration fee for all participating students includes lunch on Saturday and admission to both concert days.
- Group directors, chaperones, and other guests will need to purchase their own meals.
- Each group may receive concert tickets for up to two directors at no additional cost; additional tickets and meal options can be purchased using the table below.

PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION		
Number of Participants: _____	Registration Cost: \$75.00	Subtotal: \$ _____
ADDITIONAL CONCERT TICKETS – FRIDAY, MARCH 13		
Number of Additional Tickets: _____	Ticket Cost: \$10.00	Subtotal: \$ _____
ADDITIONAL CONCERT TICKETS – SATURDAY, MARCH 14		
Number of Additional Tickets: _____	Ticket Cost: \$20.00	Subtotal: \$ _____
ADDITIONAL MEAL TICKETS – SATURDAY, MARCH 14		
Number of Additional Meals: _____	Meal Cost: \$15.00	Subtotal: \$ _____
OVERALL TOTAL AMOUNT:		Total: \$ _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Please make checks payable to ***University of San Diego***

MAIL CHECKS TO:

University of San Diego
5998 Alcala Park Way
Music Department
C/O Ellie Evans
Camino Hall 163
San Diego, CA 92110



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PARTICIPANT RELEASE FORM:

Directors, please make sure all required forms are signed and included in the registration packet before submission.

Participant Full Name: _____

Group Name: _____

Event Name: 13th Annual USD Mariachi Conference

Dates: March 13-14, 2026

Location: University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park San Diego, California 92110

Please complete BOTH sections.

MEDIA RELEASE FORM

I, _____, consent to the use of photographs, recordings, or videos of me or my child, _____, taken during the 13th Annual USD Mariachi Conference. I understand these may be used for promotional or educational purposes, including in media outlets, without compensation. I waive any right to review or approve the use of these materials and release the University of San Diego, its sponsors, affiliates, and any other parties involved in the event from any liability related to their use.

Select the appropriate checkbox corresponding to your situation:

18 years or older

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Under 18 years

Parent/ Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

I, _____, understand that the USD Mariachi Conference does not provide insurance for any medical care needed during this event. I acknowledge that participation in this event involves inherent risks, including accidents or illness, and I voluntarily assume these risks. I also understand that any claims related to this event will be governed by the laws of the State of California. By signing, I release the University of San Diego and its affiliates from any liability arising from participation in the 13th Annual USD Mariachi Conference.

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