

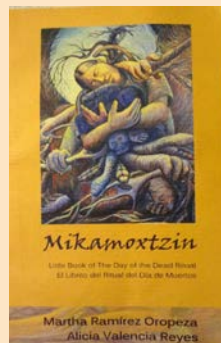


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Día de Muertos Book Presentation and *Ofrenda*

Mikamoxtzin: Little Book of The Day of the Dead Ritual



Wednesday, November 4, 2015

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

CSRC Library - 144 Haines Hall

FREE; no RSVP required

Please join us for a book talk and *ofrenda* with professors Martha Ramirez Oropeza and Alicia Valencia Reyes, co-authors of *Mikamoxtzin, Little Book of The Day of the Dead Ritual / El Librito del Ritual del Día de Muertos* (Astrolabio Editorial, 2015). The presentation will explore the deep roots of this ancient tradition, its evolution throughout Mexico's various epochs, and the impact it has on celebrations today. Please bring a photo or memento, or join us for paper flower-making at the event to help invite the spirits!

Martha Ramirez Oropeza is a visual artist and mural painter, a theater arts performer and director, and researcher on Nahuatl philosophy. She apprenticed under David A. Siqueiros, and under Frida Kahlo's apprentice, Guillermo Monroy. Currently, she lectures at UCLA in art and Chicana/o studies. **Alicia Valencia Reyes** is a professor of education at the National University of Pedagogy in Morelos, Mexico. Born in Michoacán, a state rich in the Day of the Dead tradition, she is also a coordinator of creative writing workshops for women and youth and produces a radio program in Mexico that focuses on issues of migrant rights.



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