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EL RANCHO DE LAS GOLONDRINAS MERGES TWO JUNE FESTIVALS INTO ONE: SANTA FE SPRING FESTIVAL: FEATURING HERB AND LAVENDER COMING JUNE 3 and 4

El Rancho de las Golondrinas, New Mexico's only Living History Museum, kicks off its season with its first Festival Weekend, SANTA FE SPRING FESTIVAL: FEATURING HERB AND LAVENDER. The weekend will be a combination of both the former Spring and Fiber and Herb and Lavender Festivals and will incorporate elements from both festivals – sheep shearing, horno baking, herb demonstrations and products for sale, wool carding and live entertainment. Santa Fe Spring Festival will be June 3 and 4 at El Rancho del las Golondrinas, 334 Los Pinos Road in Santa Fe, from 10am – 4pm.

This year, Las Golondrinas is partnering with SWAIA to expand our programming to include a pottery demonstration and firing with acclaimed artist Russell Sanchez. He will be building and firing a pot throughout the course of the festival each day. Guests can observe the artist at work and ask questions throughout the process. There will also be a sampling of Native foods and dances from San Ildefonso Pueblo.

Las Golondrinas Museum Director Daniel Goodman says, "We are so excited to be partnering with SWAIA on programming for Spring Festival this year. We have been fortunate to have incredible Native participation in our programming, and with the help of Jamie and crew at SWAIA, and Russell and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso we are able to expand that programming and provide a richer experience for guests."

"SWAIA is honored to partner with Las Golondrinas on their June festival. This type of collaboration fulfills SWAIA's mission of bringing Native arts to the world 365 days a year and promotes diversity and inclusion. We look forward to celebrating together." Says SWAIA Director Jamie Schulze.

On Saturday, June 3, Las Golondrinas will also unveil the plaque proclaiming its designation on the National Register of Historic Places. Check the website for exact time of unveiling.

Guests should purchase tickets in advance for the Festival Weekend. Several Las Golondrinas events sold out last year days in advance, so please plan accordingly. Las Golondrinas, SWAIA and NARM members can attend this event for free, but should still reserve free tickets in advance. Advance tickets can be purchased (or free member tickets reserved) at golondrinas.org.

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About El Rancho de las Golondrinas:

El Rancho de las Golondrinas is the Southwest's Premier Living History Museum. Its mission is to preserve the legacy of the land and Hispano Traditions. golondrinas.org

About SWAIA:

The Southwestern Association for Indian Arts (SWAIA) is a non-profit organization supporting Native North American arts and culture. It creates economic and cultural opportunities for Native North American artists by producing and promoting the Santa Fe Indian Market, the biggest and most prestigious Indian art event in the world since 1922. swaia.org