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Hispanic Heritage Day at Oregon State Capitol to Feature Edna Vazquez

Salem, Ore. – The Capitol will be kicking off Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15 to Oct. 15) by hosting a free and family friendly four-hour event on Saturday, Sept. 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Portland-based Latin American singer-songwriter Edna Vazquez will be performing in the Capitol’s Rotunda from 11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and will be singing a couple of songs with the Woodburn High School Mariachi Band just prior to her set.

Vazquez performs original compositions that pay homage to her international influences with a passion that comes through in every note of her music. She lifts the audience’s spirits during her cathartic live performances with a vocal range that allows her to transition seamlessly between folk, rock, pop and Mariachi, all while exploring jazz stylings. Edna’s songs are deeply rooted in universal human emotion and she has traveled far and wide spreading her message of light, love and cultural healing.

Born in the Mexican state of Colima but raised in Jalisco, Edna spent half of her life immersed in the culture and music of Mexico and Latin America, moving to the United States as a teenager. Her passion for music and performance was born from these bicultural roots and has led her on a path of self-discovery through song that has brought her success at each turn in the road. Whether sharing the stage with her musical influences or winning the first prize on Sabado Gigante with her rendition of Cucurrucucú Paloma, Edna’s spirit and powerful vocal performance have been the cornerstone of her career.

This event is rain or shine. Parking is free around the Capitol on the weekends. For more information regarding Hispanic Heritage Day, contact Visitor Services at 503-986-1388 or go to www.oregoncapitol.com.