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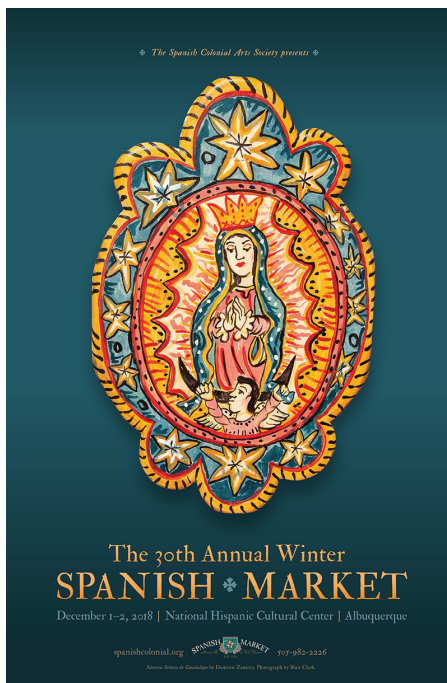
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Winter Spanish Market features the best in Spanish Colonial Art



(Santa Fe, NM) The Spanish Colonial Arts Society's Winter Spanish Market returns to Albuquerque for the sixth year on Saturday and Sunday, December 1st–2nd, at the National Hispanic Cultural Center. Up to 70 artists will welcome the public with the opportunity to purchase a piece of New Mexico tradition, learn how it was made, and be immersed in art, culture, and folklore.

The juried artists use traditional images and techniques to create bultos, weavings, ironwork, jewelry, copper engravings, hide paintings, retablos, furniture, tinwork, straw appliqué, woodcarving, and colcha embroidery. Each piece represents a 400-year history. In addition, innovations within these traditions allow artists to interpret their time-honored crafts in new and exciting approaches.

Winter Spanish Market opens on Saturday, December 1, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Sunday, December 2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Musicians and performers will entertain guests and artists throughout the weekend with New Mexican folk music and dance. Meet the artists and enjoy New Mexican cuisine at Pop Fizz and La Fonda del Bosque restaurant. Tickets

for the event are \$6 per person and \$10 for two.

Founded in Santa Fe in 1988, Winter Spanish Market enhances the Traditional Spanish Market held in Santa Fe during the summer. We owe a great debt of gratitude to our partners at the NHCC for hosting this year's Winter Spanish Market. Thanks are also due to our major sponsors: Robert Gallegos: Native American & Hispanic Art; Garcia Automotive Group; Premier Distributing Company; Holmans; Heritage Hotels; New Mexico Arts; Hotel Albuquerque; the Marshall and Deborah L. Berkman Family Charitable Trust; Brian and Kristina Lawson; Santa Fe.com; and County of Bernalillo.

For further information or tickets, please call the Spanish Colonial Arts Society at 505-982-2226, or go to www.spanishcolonial.org. The National Hispanic Cultural Center is located at 1701 Fourth St. SW, Albuquerque, 505-246-2261.