

President Ronald Reagan's 1985 visit to Chicago Heights Illinois at Bloom High School



Calabaceado With PEPE AGUILAR at Miami 2007 Premio lo Nuestro Awards
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2009 Las Vegas Latin GRAMMYS®

JUAN GABRIEL
JESSICA AGUILAR
DAVID MORENO



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Founded in 1982 by Master Maestro Jose L. Ovalle. MFDC is the oldest Mexican Folkloric troupe in Chicago.

MISSION: To perpetuate the traditional dance, music, song, dress and history of Mexico.
To increase the Mexican progeny's knowledge and the public's awareness of such heritage.

BIO: MFDC showcases the richness of Mexican culture and heritage through festive dancing, diverse musical melodies and breath taking costumes. Suites reflect pre-Columbian indigenous, Spanish Colonialism, French Intervention, other European and Eastern cultures, Caribbean, Southwestern United States and the 1910 Mexican Revolution. The mixture of all these elements served to develop the present dance and music culture that is "Just Mexican" and unique. Performances are fast-paced and non-stop with many quick costume changes.

Since 1983 MFDC has received 340 Awards, Grants and Recognitions and has toured nationally and internationally in Mexico (1988) and Ireland (2007 and 2009). **NOTABLE EVENTS ARE:**

- 1985 For **President Reagan's** visit to Chicago Heights, IL at Bloom High School. See picture.
- 1987 Opening performance for **Steve Lawrence** and **Eydie Gorme** at **The Chicago Theater**.
- 1987 For the **Pan Am Games** in **Indianapolis, IN** with **Vice President Bush** in attendance.
- 1987 For **Governor James Thompson** at **Orchestra Hall** accompanied by **Chicago Symphony Orchestra**.
- 1987 For **Mayor Harold Washington** at **Fiesta del Sol**.
- 1988 Tours Mexico and receives rave reviews from Mexican media and TV interview.**
- 1988 For the **Tribute to Katherine Dunham** at The New Regal Theater, Chicago.
- 1992 Dances during **Chicago Bulls** halftime in the old **Chicago Stadium**.
- 1994 **World Cup** in Soldier Field before 42,000; **President Clinton** is keynote speaker.
- 1994 Jose L. Ovalle** selected to emcee for **Amalia Hernandez** at the **Mexican Fine Arts Center Museum**.
- 1999 Company receives a **4 Star review** from the Green Bay Press Gazette for performances in Green Bay, Wisconsin. "Dazzles" "Wow" "Spectacular" "Feet smoked" etc. read the review.
- 2001** For Mexican President **Vicente Fox's** visit to Chicago.
- 2001 FEATURED** on IAC "CENTER STAGE ARTS ACROSS ILLINOIS" program by **WTTW TV CH-11**.
View it: http://www.wttw.com/podcasts/wttwarts/video/as_mex_folkloric_1_vpod.mp4
- 2003 For the grand opening of The **Concordia Theater** in Cicero, IL.
- 2003 For the gala opening of the **Joan W. and Irving B. Harris Theater** in **Chicago Millennium Park** "Rollicking and colorful" wrote The Chicago Tribune, "Spirited" wrote The Chicago Sun-Times.
- 2004** Performs with **Mariachi Vargas de Tecalitlán** at Disneyworld for UNIVISION first Mariachi Festival.
- 2005** Performs with **Mariachi Vargas de Tecalitlán** at Disneyworld for UNIVISION second Mariachi Festival.
- 2005 Review of 23rd anniversary show at Concordia Theater "Extraordinary" "Beautiful" reported ABC WLS CH-7
- 2005 WTTW CH-11 Chicago Tonight** show by IAC on immigration dilemma in Beardstown, IL "Critically Acclaimed" stated the host View <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ki4tzLj4P8g&t=67s>
- 2006 Participates in Smithsonian Folklife Festival, with Sones de Mexico, in Washington, D.C. as representative for Chicago Mexican Music & Dance Exhibit that will be part of the **Smithsonian library for posterity**.
- 2006** Jose L. Ovalle moderates a "Fireside Chat" with **Salvador Lopez**, director of **Ballet Folklórico de Mexico de Amalia Hernandez**. Fireside Chats are held, for patrons only, before shows at the Auditorium Theater.
- 2007** With **Pepe Aguilar** at Premio lo Nuestro Music Awards Miami, FL **See picture and video link at left.**
- 2007** **At the Festival of World Cultures in Dun Laoghaire, Ireland.** **See picture on reverse page**
- 2008** Again with **Pepe Aguilar** at Premio lo Nuestro Music Awards Miami, FL **See picture and video link on reverse page.**
- 2008 CANAL ONCE from MEXICO CITY** tapes a story of MFDC adding to its international stature.
- 2009 Dances for **Chicago Bulls** halftime in United Center. Also for Chicago White Sox pre-game entertainment
- 2009** **Again at the Festival of World Cultures in Dun Laoghaire, Ireland.** **See picture on reverse page**
- 2009** With **JUAN GABRIEL** in Las Vegas at **Latin GRAMMYS®** **See picture and video link at left**
- 2014** **Featured at WGN TV Studios** <http://wgntv.com/2014/08/01/midday-fix-the-living-loop-performing-arts-festival/>
- 2014** **Featured on WGN TV Performing Arts**
<http://thelivingloopchicago.com/portfolio/88-the-mexican-folkloric-dance-company-of-chicago/> **CONTINUED ON PAGE 3**

Matehuala
San Luis Potosi
Aguas Calientes
Queretaro
Acapulco

DUN LAOGHAIRE IRELAND 2007

At the 2007 Festival of World Cultures in Dun Laoghaire, Ireland on Sat. and Sun. Aug 25 and 26. It is the largest festival in Ireland with over 800 artists in 200 groups. The festival committee selected MFDC



because of its "stunning professionalism" and international reputation, having toured Mexico and receiving rave reviews from the Mexican media. Also for prestigious events as listed herein. MFDC now into its 29th year, is the oldest Mexican folkloric troupe in Chicago. Pictured in Matachines costumes are L – R, Ricardo Lemus, Jessica Aguilar, David Miranda, Daniel Garcia, Arturo Bucio and Elizabeth Tapia. Front L – R are company president Jose Luis L.Ovalle and executive director Henry A. Roa being interviewed on Ireland television station RTE.

DUN LAOGHAIRE IRELAND 2009

At 2009 Festival Aug. 27 – 31. Front row:

Jose L. Ovalle-president, Marlen Jimenez, Marisol Bucio, Jessica Aguilar, Lorena Barron, Mati Ovalle-vice president. 2nd row: David Ovalle, Genesis Martinez, Jasmine Rodriguez, Carolina Ibarra. 3rd row: Jaime Jimenez Jr., Carlos Bucio, Arianna Gonzalez, director. 4th row: David Fuentes, David Moreno, Amel Yacef-Ireland artist liaison. **View Picture Slide Shows at :**



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2008 Again with PEPE AGUILAR Premio lo Nuestro Awards



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Carnaval en Mazatlan at Harris Theater



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Matachines



Raiz Viva



Jarabe Tapatio

Featuring: **Sones de Mexico Ensemble**

www.sonesdemexico.com

A two time GRAMMY® nominee (2007 Latin and 2008 regular). Also a 2008 North American Folk Music and Dance Alliance nominee. All for its CD "Esta Tierra es Tuya". It is a Spanish version of Woodie Guthrie's 1940 hit "This Land is Your Land". The link is a Juan Federico "Freddie Freak" Trujillo take off (He is the bearded driver). It is not Sone's idea. It is only here so that you may hear the inspiring lyrics.

View Sone's version at the same site.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wKOqMROXKZcby>



NOTABLE EVENTS CONTINUED

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2015 Included WTTW TV Documentary "Chicago's South Side Neighborhoods" <http://interactive.wttw.com/southside/watch>

2016 Featured on WGN CH-9 TV Cinco de Mayo morning newscast.

2016 Featured on WLS TV CH 7 Hispanic Heritage Month by Hosea Sanders

<http://abc7chicago.com/entertainment/mexican-folkloric-dance-company-lights-up-%20%0dstage-at-%20south-suburban-college/1553878/http%3A%2F%2Fabc7chicago.com%2F1553878%2F>

2016 With Los Tigres del Norte and Mariachi Flor de Toloache at Ravinia Park in Highland Park, IL.

2016 At the Auditorium Theatre, Chicago with Lila Downs and Mariachi Los Camperos de Nati Cano

2017 With Los Tigres del Norte and Natalia Jimenez at Ravinia Park in Highland Park, IL.

2018 With Mariachi Vargas de Tecalitlan & Graciela Beltran at Copernicus Center, Chicago. It is the 3rd time that MFDC has performed with Mariachi Vargas.

2018 With Los Tigres del Norte and Mariachi Flor de Toloache at Ravinia Park in Highland Park, IL

2019 Ravinia Park, Highland Park, IL

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above **removed** video. **Slide to the 2;12 minute mark** to view it. It is not as clear as the removed video.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X2slcka9ac4>

1st Mariachi Festival Epc Disney World Orlando Fl.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GETL77xmaLc>

WTTW TV Studios Chicago, with Sones de Mexico Ensemble

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iG_Ie1XCjTQ Beardstown, IL WTTW documentary on immigration dilemma and how one town benefited.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=otNEiajarik> Millennium Park Chicago : "Huapangos Medley" with two time GAMMY®
nominee Sones de Mexico Ensemble, Irish Music School of Chicago, Alex Chavez and Chicago Classical Brass Ensemble. Dancers dance Irish Jig at end..
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<https://www.facebook.com/QueBuena1051/videos/1145875212136643/> Mariachi Festival at Millennium Park, Chicago
<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL57D6FB70D56245DF> YOU TUBE (old)
<https://www.facebook.com/mexicandance/?fref=ts> MFDC Facebook Many pictures

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kuO_zGasYAM Harris Theatre. Alum dance Zapateado..
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VbOVhlb3Ka0> Harris Theatre Veracruz dance
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ybvzf8I9RRg> Harris Theatre Alum dance Guerrero
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WzFpoZ2nu-Q> Harris Theatre Campeche dance
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vvex1OWd5oc> Harris Theatre Tamaulipas dance

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