

McCallum Theatre Education Presents

SOMOS AMIGOS: SONGS ON COMMON GROUND



LIKE A BIG BRIGHT LIGHT,
THIS SHOW ILLUMINATES
A POWERFUL PATH
FOR FRIENDSHIP,
RESPECT AND JOY!

Sonia De Los Santos and The Okee Dokee Brothers

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2022 2PM

Friendship is at the heart of this joyful collaboration between Mexican songstress and Latin Grammy nominee, Sonia De Los Santos, and the Grammy Award-winning Americana folk duo, The Okee Dokee Brothers. This bilingual program includes both old and new songs that span the musical traditions of North America and illustrate the collective power of singing together and learning from each other. Sonia, Joe and Justin are kindred spirits in their shared love of nature, storytelling and the importance of community music making. Their voices blend beautifully as they trade songs and share their creative inspirations.

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SONIA DE LOS SANTOS

Sonia De Los Santos was born with a smile on her face (that's what her mom says) in Monterrey, Mexico, and in 2007 started touring the world, singing in English and Spanish, playing guitar and jarana and lighting up the stage with Grammy Award-winning group Dan Zanes And Friends. In 2015 she released her first solo family music album titled Mi Viaje: De Nuevo León to the New York Island (Parents' Choice Foundation Gold Award Winner) a collection of songs that reflect her experiences growing up in Mexico, moving to another country, learning about other cultures, and in the process, feeling closer to her own heritage. Sonia was nominated in 2019 for a Latin Grammy® with her second family music album titled ¡Alegría! and has been hailed by Billboard as "one of the Latin Children's music artists you should know" and "Best Latin Children's Music". She has performed with her band in renowned venues and festivals such as Lincoln Center, Carnegie Hall, Lollapalooza, Austin City Limits, The Getty Museum, the National Gallery of Art, the Smithsonian Folklife Festival, and many more. In 2020, Sonia launched En Casa con Sonia an online musical series recorded from her home, and in 2021, she debuted ¿Qué Pasa, Sonia? a new radio segment featuring some of her favorite songs at Sirius XM's Kids Place Live. Sonia is currently on tour promoting her third album titled Esperanza, a bilingual collection of songs that explore hope; looking back at our own journey, cherishing our cities and homes, being grateful to one another, dreaming of a better future, marveling at nature, and finding light within ourselves.



THE OKEE DOKEE BROTHERS

As childhood friends growing up in Denver Colorado, Joe Mailander and Justin Lansing were always exploring the outdoors. Whether it was rafting down their neighborhood creek or discovering hiking trails through the Rocky Mountains, Joe and Justin were born adventurers. Now, as the Grammy Award-winning Okee Dokee Brothers, they have put this passion for the outdoors at the heart of their Americana Folk music. Joe and Justin record and perform family music with a goal to inspire children and their parents to get outside and get creative. They believe this can motivate kids to gain a greater respect for the natural world, their communities and themselves. The five-time Parents' Choice

Award-winners have garnered praise from the likes of NPR's *All Things Considered* and *USA Today*, and have been called "two of family music's best songwriters."

UPCOMING PERFORMANCE IN THIS EDUCATION SERIES:

Nearly Lear Susanna Hamnett Friday, November 4 at 6:30pm

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