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Día de los Muertos in the Big Manzana

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Special thanks to my pal, La Cremosa, in Brooklandia for sending over the info for this Día de los Muertos event taking place in New York City.

Contrary to popular mythology and various lowrider airbrushings, Mexican Americans inhabit more places in the U.S. than those handed over after the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo. According to the [New York Times](#), the Mexican population in NYC grew from 22,577 in 1980 to 263,311 in 2006, giving the Boricuas and Dominicanas a run for their money. So nowadays there are lots of great non-profit groups like out there promoting Mexican culture to the masses. For instance, [Mano a Mano](#), a cultural collective that offers bilingual creative writing courses among other great programs,

will be hosting weekend-long Dia de los Muertos festivities. If you're in the area be go check it out. At the very least it will be a good opportunity to practice your Spanish without having to substitute all your ["r's" for "l's."](#)

Day of the Dead

Mano a Mano: Mexican Culture Without Borders
Presents Four-Day Mexican Celebration
October 30th - November 2nd
St. Mark's Church in-the-Bowery
Free Admission

Schedule of Events:

Thursday, October 30

2-6pm: Workshop in altar building

6:30pm: Traditional Dance Procession with Cetiliztli Nauhcampa Quetzalcoatl in Ixachilan
Assembles at Union Square

7-8pm: Traditional Dancers Arrive at St. Mark's for Ceremony at the Altar

Friday, October 31

6-8pm: Three Workshops: Paper Crafts for Day of the Dead, Sugar Skulls, Day of the Dead Bread

7-8pm: Performance by "La Carpa" short theatrical pieces, based on traditional stories, performed in Spanish with English translation

Saturday, November 1 – All Saints' Day

3-5pm: Four Workshops: Paper Crafts for Day of the Dead, Sugar Skulls, Day of the Dead Bread,
Poetry for Day of the Dead

7-8pm: Performance by Semilla: Traditional Fandango from México

Sunday, November 2 - Dia de los Muertos

4-6pm: Four Workshops: Paper Crafts for Day of the Dead, Sugar Skulls, Day of the Dead Bread,
Poetry for Day of the Dead

6-7pm: Musical Performance by Mariachi Tapatio de Alvaro Paulino

7-8:00pm Taking Down of Altar by Public

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