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**El Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) Cultural Celebration
and Exhibition at Navy Pier®**

*Event to feature Nahui Ollin Ceremonial Dancers, Son Del Viento, Ofrenda (altar) Installation
and Traditional Craft Activities*

WHO: Navy Pier and the National Museum of Mexican Art

WHAT: On Sunday, November 1, 2009 through Wednesday, November 4, 2009, Navy Pier will open its Crystal Gardens doors for an **El Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) celebration**. This cultural event kicks off on Sunday with Nahui Ollin Ceremonial Dancers (Aztec Dance), later accompanied by Son Del Viento (Folk/ 'Son' Music). Traditional ofrendas (altars) will be installed and decorated by featured artists Eric J. Garcia, Patricia Carlos Dominguez and Esperanza Gama. The event also includes craft activities for children, such as sugar skull decorating and face painting.

WHEN: Sunday, November 1 – November 4
11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Kick-off Event – Sunday November 1
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.: Nahui Ollin Ceremonial Dancers
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.: Son Del Viento

WHERE: **Navy Pier Crystal Gardens**
600 E Grand Avenue
Chicago, IL 60611
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For more information visit the Navy Pier website at: www.navy pier.com