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**THE 22<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL  
NARCISO MARTINEZ CULTURAL ARTS CENTER  
CONJUNTO FESTIVAL**

**“COME ON DOWN TO SAN BENITO AND WE WILL DANCE THE TACUACHITO”**

**WHO:** The Narciso Martinez Cultural Arts Center

**WHAT:** 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Narciso Martinez Cultural Arts Festival Conjunto Festival

**WHEN:** **Friday, October 18, 2013 6:00 pm – 11:00 p.m.**  
**Saturday October 19, 2013 4:00 pm – 11:15 p.m.**  
**Sunday October 20, 2013 4:00 pm - 9:30 p.m.**

**WHERE:** 225 E. Stenger Street San Benito, Texas

**COST:** \$5.00 per day

The Narciso Martinez Cultural Arts Center is proud to announce the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conjunto Festival. This three-day event is a one of a kind event for the country attracting over 3,500 people for a celebration of the best of live Texas Mexican Conjunto music.

This year we will present 17 Conjuntos from the Rio Grande Valley, Corpus Christi, Laredo, San Antonio, Austin, and Houston, Texas. Pioneering musicians like Ramiro Cavazos, 87 years old of Los Donneños, as well as Gilberto Perez, Eddie “Lalo” Torres, and Bene Medina will be performing. Conjunto artist extraordinaire Boni Mauricio will bring his unique conjunto style for the first time to our Conjunto Festival. The Festival will also feature the women of conjunto, such as Mickey Mendoza, Clemencia Zapata, Susan Torres, and Anita Paiz. We will also feature Santiago Jimenez, Jr., son of pioneering conjunto musician, Santiago Jimenez Sr. from San Antonio, Texas. The flashy sounds of conjunto music will be represented by “Los 4 Vatos Locos”, Los Garica Brothers. From Laredo, Texas our sister city on the Texas Mexican Border sound, we will feature the music of Edgar Vasquez. The sound of Conjunto Aztlan will represent the spirituality of El Movimiento Chicano, ¡Orale, Ese!

The conjunto sound of El Valle will include Rubén De La Cruz, Frutty Villarreal, Karisma, Ole Treviño, Los Ángeles Del Sur. The San Benito High School Conjunto Estrella will be representing the young Conjunto sound.

We dedicate this festival to our fallen Conjunto pioneers, accordionist Ernesto Guerra and Enrique “Flaco” Naranjo, and Adan De La Rosa (brother of Tony De La Rosa).

Come and enjoy three days of live music by 17 of the best Texas Mexican Conjuntos. There will be dancing, food, beverages, and authentic South Texas driven hospitality. This is a show of a lifetime and not one to miss. ¡Nos Vemos! **Admission is \$5.00 each day. Sitting is limited so feel free to bring your own chairs. NO OUTSIDE BEVERAGES OR FOOD WILL BE ALLOWED.**

