

# Mariachi Juan Seguin New Member Registration Packet

2025-2026

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Conceived on July 9, 1982, El Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin (Teatro) was formed as a non-profit, tax-exempt 501 C (3) organization to address several civic issues including the general population's lack of knowledge about the Seguin Mexican American community's history and cultural traditions; the lack of local agencies through which Mexican American leadership potential could be identified, encouraged, and developed; and the lack of Mexican American participation in the general community's sociocultural activities.

To address these concerns, El Teatro established major goals: (1) to ensure Mexican Americans & Latinx know their history, roots and contributions (scholarship, art and leadership); (2) to promote a better understanding of the Mexican American & Latinx people, their history and their culture; and (3) to ensure they feel valued and are made "whole" by discovering their own history which has been neglected.

Teatro and its constituents view history, arts and culture as having to do with values i.e., with the way individuals see, understand and act upon the world. Teatro studies, documents, and preserves (but is not limited to) the history, culture and art in the areas of family and history; language; crafts; folklore & folklife; celebrations; foods/culinary; oral tradition; mariachi/conjunto and other ethnic music; visual arts; dramatic arts; film & video arts; danza folklórica (folklórico dances); and others. All of these are aimed toward "remembering" (reacquisition) lost cultural practices and toward incorporating those practices into everyday life.

Since its founding, Teatro accomplishments include:

Yearly ballet folklórico, vocalista, conjunto and mariachi music classes. Teatro's Ballet Folklórico De La Rosa & Mariachi Juan Seguin. Annual Noche De Gala, a cultural evening of mariachi music, ballet folklórico dancing, and the amateur vocalista competition. Annual celebrations of National Hispanic Month & Texas Hero Juan Seguin Memorials. Diez y Seis & Cinco de Mayo lectures, exhibits, event & performances. ¡Viva Seguin! Conjunto Festivals. De Mano a Mano Artisan Market. Artist-in-Education and Visiting Artists residencies in public school districts. Annual Dia De Los Muertos festivities. Annual Summer Arts and Agroecology Camp. Poetry & Prose sessions. Humanities lectures, exhibits and reflections. Jobs and opportunities for artists, poets, lecturers, historians in schools and in the community. Programs focused on developing young Hispanic artists and leaders. Hispanic plays/drama presentations. Featured in the Heritage series, which aired nationwide through PBS affiliates. Featured in the City of Seguin, United Way and National Endowment for the Arts videos. City of Seguin Downtowner of the Year Award. Teatro De Artes was awarded the Community Service Award for an Organization by LULAC Council #682. Youth Leadership Award was awarded to Dr. Yvonne M. De La Rosa (Teatro Executive Director) for her contribution to the youth of Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin and being site of Dr. Yvonne M. De La Rosa's research on the development of Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin. Approved by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) as an Afterschool Centers. 2022 "The Biggest Small Town Fourth of July Parade in Texas" Grand Marshalls, LULAC Council 682 Community Service and Co-Founder Award.

#### **Mission Statement**

The mission of **Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin** is to promote a better understanding of the Mexican-American culture and its people by the teaching, study, practice, and performance of the arts and humanities. **Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin** shall support, but not be limited to, the following activities to achieve its mission: (1) Establish and maintain a Ballet Folklórico; (2) Support the formation of Mariachi & Conjunto groups; (3) Sponsor artistic workshops; (4) Sponsor speakers; (5) Sponsor Fiestas Patrias; (6) Sponsor Noche De Gala annually; (7) Involve the community people in drama and other artistic roles; (8) Sponsor Hispanic artist; (9) Support civic, community, business, and education collaboratives to promote the Hispanic arts.

#### **Organizational Goals**

**Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin** shall: (1) Strive for excellence with its on-going programs; (2) Create a positive image of the Mexican-American people; (3) Keep the culture and pride alive; (4) Educate people of all ages to accept different cultures; (5) Support Hispanic and other artists; (6) Provide opportunities for individuals to develop their artist talents; (7) Provide educational activities to further the community's economic development.

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### Goals of the Mariachi Juan Seguin Program

#### The goals are as follows:

- ✓ to study, teach and preserve the history of traditional Mexican American culture.
- ✓ to study the folklore and folklife of Mexican Americans and their contributions.
- ✓ to study the roots, origins, and history of mariachi music and how they relate to their present lives.
- ✓ to provide internships, fellowships, jobs, and leadership opportunities.
- ✓ to promote pride in the Mexican American history, culture, and arts.
- ✓ to promote unity in groups.
- ✓ to provide equal opportunities for all.

## **Parent/Guardian Responsibilities**

Parents/Guardians should become as involved with their child's music as the child themselves.

#### Parents/Guardians should:

- ✓ help child understand the goals of this program.
- ✓ supervise the child's practice daily.
- ✓ help him/her understand the commitment of playing with a group.
- ✓ ensure attendance at all classes as often as possible.
- ✓ get him/her to class on time.
- ✓ get him/her to the performances on time.
- ✓ make sure the child has all necessary instruments and music.
- ✓ plan, organize, and work during fundraisers.
- ✓ plan, organize, and help during the annual recital.

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#### Mariachi Juan Seguin Class Rules and Tuition Fees

- 1. Classes start and end on time. There is no childcare supervision provided before or after the Mariachi classes, therefore, **BE PROMPT** when picking up your child.
- 2. Mariachi classes meet every Tuesday at the Teatro Cultural Arts Center.
- 3. If a musician is absent an excessive number of days, the musician may be dropped from class. Excessive number of days is defined as two or more per month or a total of 6 per year.
- 4. Tuition is as described below. This hourly fee schedule for families apply only if the persons involved are blood relatives and live in the same household.
- 5. The monthly tuition fee is the same regardless of the number of classes in a month and must be paid in full even when a musician is absent from class one or more times during that month.

#### MARIACHI JUAN SEGUIN MONTHLY TUITION FEES

# Of musicians in	One (1)	Two (2)	Three (3)
family	hour/week	hours/week	hours/week
1	\$30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 60.00
2	\$50.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00
3	\$65.00	\$ 100.00	\$130.00
4	\$80.00	\$125.00	\$165.00

Additional musicians are \$20 for the first class and \$15 for each additional class. Musicians over the age of 18 within the same household will not be prorated according to the multiple musicians prorated tuition fee schedule above. Additional hours per week will only be determined by the Musical Director.

- 6. <u>TUITION IS DUE THE FIRST CLASS SESSION OF EACH MONTH</u>. Please pay on time either by cash, check or debit/credit card. Tuition fees are needed to pay teachers and other expenses such as utilities, custodial, etc. A **\$10.00 late fee** will be added to any account delinquent more than sixty (60) days.
- 7. A \$25 fee will be collected during registration in August and/or upon registration in the month of September of each year. This \$25 will be used for the annual recital (costume, accessories, decoration, renting of venue, etc.) expenses. This \$25 fee is non-refundable and must be paid on/or before the musician begins his/her classes.
- 8. Mariachi musicians must be at least <u>7 years old.</u> If a musician shows talent/promise and is under 7 years old, he/she may be accepted into the program on a trial basis. This means he/she can attend for a month (4 weeks). At the end of the 4 weeks, the Musical Director(s) will decide whether the musician can remain in the program.
- 9. Parents/guardians are invited to observe their child's progress the first and third Tuesday of each month. First Tuesday of each month the first 30 minutes we will conduct a parent meeting with memo reading and pay tuition. Parent observation will be held last 30 minutes of class. On the third Tuesday classes parent observation will be held last 30 minutes of class. This gives parents/guardians the opportunity to see what his/her child(ren) are learning. Should you have any questions during the year concerning your child's class, please bring them to the attention of the musical director immediately after class that same day.
- 10. Gum chewing and/or eating by the musician during Mariachi practice is NOT allowed.

- 11. <u>ALLERGY ALERT</u>: Please **DO NOT bring any snacks containing nuts** into Teatro. (i.e., tree nuts, peanuts, nut butters, granola, trail mix, cheese, etc.) We are a nut free center. Our aim is to keep all patrons healthy and safe.
- 12. If applicable, Mariachi trajes/accessories and music equipment will be purchased/leased with fundraiser and/or performance monies. Mariachi trajes/accessories and music equipment are the property of TEATRO.
- 13. All Mariachi trajes/accessories and music equipment will need to be returned in good condition. "Good Condition" to be determined by one of TEATRO's Board members or its designee, the Mariachi secretary/registrar. If the traje and/or equipment needs to cleaned, mended or fixed, the charge will be paid by the parent or guardian/musician.
- 14. If the Mariachi trajes/accessories and/or music equipment is not returned, the parent/guardians and musicians are responsible for paying the full price of the outfit or equipment to Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin.
- 15. The Mariachi trajes/accessories and music equipment belonging to **TEATRO will be used** during **Teatro-sponsored Mariachi bookings ONLY** and will be used by other musicians in future years.
- 16. Bookings will be made through Teatro's Part-Time Program Coordinator. Donations for performances will be set rates of \$250 for 1-30 minutes (in town); \$400 for 31 min-1 hours (in town); \$300 for 1-30 minutes (out of town); \$450 for 31 min-1 hours (out of town); and \$75.00 for each additional one-half hour, with a minimum charge of \$100. Additional fee may be added depending on the out-of-town distance. Donations will be made to Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin.
- 17. Eighty-five percent (85%) of donations earned through this group will be deposited to the Mariachi Performance Account. This eighty-five percent (85%) will be used to pay program expenses; instructors' salaries; outfits; utilities and other expenses as approved by Teatro's Board of Directors. The other fifteen percent (15%) will be used to purchase music tapes, video tapes, etc.; to pay secretary/registrar fees; instructors' salaries; custodial; and other overhead expenses.
- 18. The Mariachi may hold fundraisers whose revenues will be deposited to the Mariachi Fundraiser account. Before planning a fundraiser, <u>A GOAL MUST BE STATED AS TO HOW THE MONEY RAISED WILL BE USED.</u> All fundraisers must be approved by Teatro's Board of Directors. Fundraiser monies will be spent one hundred percent (100%) on Mariachi musicians, outfits, music equipment and related projects.
- 19. Every family is expected to participate in the fundraisers (sell tickets, donate food/goods, donate money, work serving and cleaning shifts, etc.) as these funds will be used for the designated purposes that will benefit the musicians. For example: If a family is given a certain number of tickets, **they must either sell them all and/or purchase them themselves.**
- 20. Auditorium fees for the recital and photo expenses (group pictures) will be paid primarily with registration fees and/or from the Mariachi Performance and Mariachi Fundraiser Accounts.
- 21. Should you have any further questions, please contact the Part-Time Program Coordinator at 830-401-0232.

Parents- Tuition fees income is vital to Teatro's ability to continue to provide programs. We thank you greatly for your understanding. We truly have the best, most committed parents in this organization!

### 2025-2026 Mariachi Juan Seguin Rehearsal Schedule

September 2025	Tuesday, Sept. 2 Tuesday, Sept. 9 Tuesday, Sept. 16 Tuesday, Sept. 23 Tuesday, Sept. 30
October 2025	Tuesday, Oct. 7 Tuesday, Oct. 14 Tuesday, Oct. 21 Tuesday, Oct. 28
November 2025 Sat. Nov. 8 MJS Fundraiser @ Teatro's Cultural Arts Center 9:00am – 2:00pm No rehearsals on Mon., Nov. 25 – Wed., Nov. 27 (Thanksgiving Holiday)	Tuesday, Nov. 4 Tuesday, Nov. 11 Tuesday, Nov. 18
December 2025 No rehearsals on Mon. Dec. 23 – Sun., Jan. 5 (Christmas/New Year Holiday)	Tuesday, Dec. 2 Tuesday, Dec. 9 Tuesday, Dec. 16
January 2026	Tuesday, Jan. 6 Tuesday, Jan. 13 Tuesday, Jan. 20 Tuesday, Jan. 27
February 2026	Tuesday, Feb. 3 Tuesday, Feb. 10 Tuesday, Feb. 17 Tuesday, Feb. 24
March 2026 No rehearsals on Mon., Mar. 9 – Wed., Mar. 11 (Spring Break)	Tuesday, Mar. 3 Tuesday, Mar. 17 Tuesday, Mar. 24 Tuesday, Mar. 31
<u>April 2026</u>	Tuesday, Apr. 7 Tuesday, Apr. 14 Tuesday, Apr. 21 Tuesday, Apr. 28 – Make Up Day
<u>May 2026</u>	Recital rehearsal - Thursday, April 30, 2026, TLU Jackson Auditorium 6:00 pm  Recital - Friday, May 1, 2026, TLU Jackson Auditorium 7:00 pm

## 2025-2026 Mariachi Juan Seguin Remind Codes

Thur. 5:30/6:30 – Beginner/Intermediate MJS	@mjs530630
Thur. 7:30 – Advanced MJS	@mjs730

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## 2025-2026 Mariachi Program Application

Please Print or type

Student's Name	Age (as 9/1)	Gender	Parent Phone
Address	City		Zip
School	Grade	Da	te of Birth
Parent/Guardian Name	Place of Work		Work Phone
Parent/Guardian Name	Place of Work		Work Phone
EMAIL ADDRESS:	Do you have the	e Remind A	pp on your phone?
Relative/Friend who can get a n	on-emergency message to you		
Has the applicant had experience	ce playing Mariachi music? Yes	S	No
If yes, how many years?	Which instrument? Wha	t organizatio	on/group?
Which instrument are you wanti	ng to play?		
Special considerations for food	allergies?		_
IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY	'CALL:		
NAME	PHONE	RE	ELATION
I hereby grant permission for my c Cultural Arts Center in Seguin, Tex			
aware that even though Teatro will	I take as many precautions as pos th activities. I understand Teatro	sible, the pos is not respo	occur in various locations. I am full ssibility of accidents of various kind onsible for children (mariachi musi con during the break.
I hereby assume all risks involved, and/or performances. I will not hole occur.			
Parent/Guardian's Signature		Date_	
I have read the consent form which risks of the classes and I also give			
Musician's Signature		Witness	S

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# Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19 and/or other disasters

**Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin** has put in place preventive measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and other disasters; however, **Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin cannot guarantee** that your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19 nor be affected by other disasters. **This assumption of risk and waiver of liability will extend to other disasters.** 

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk of my child(ren) and I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending **Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin** and that such exposure or infection may result in person injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at **Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin** may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, Teatro employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families. I understand and agree that this release includes any claims based on actions, omissions, or negligence of **Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin**, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any **Teatro De Artes De Juan Seguin** program.

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Date							
also give my consent and waive liability.							
Date							
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