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Classical Guitarist Lorena Garay at Saint Joseph College **Friday, October 14** **Free – But Tickets Required**



WEST HARTFORD, CONN. – The first Noche Latina at Saint Joseph College will feature a free concert by guitarist Lorena Garay and the musical group Surcari on Friday, October 14, at Bruyette Athenaeum. An art exhibit opens at 6:30 p.m. with the works of Latino artists from Connecticut, as well as artists from the Caribbean.

Lorena Garay is a classically trained guitarist with a master's degree from the Hartt School. Her repertoire is a blend of classical music and the rhythms of flamenco, South America and Spain. Surcari is a performance group originally from Chile and Puerto Rico under Garay's direction. The group blends traditional and original Latin American, Andean, Afro-Caribbean, Spanish and world music on a wide array of indigenous instruments.

The performance is Friday, October 14, in Hoffman Auditorium at Saint Joseph College, 1678 Asylum Avenue, West Hartford. An art exhibit will be open from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., followed by the concert from 7:45 – 9:15 p.m.

Admission is free, but patrons need to get tickets from the Frances Driscoll Box Office, 860.231.5595, or from tickets.sjc.edu. The box office is open Monday-Friday from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. and one hour before performances. Parking is free.

The program is sponsored by the College's Spanish major and minor programs, Latino Community Practice and Club Hispano. It is partially funded by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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Saint Joseph College, founded in 1932 by the Sisters of Mercy to provide higher education opportunities for women, is a comprehensive institution serving women from diverse backgrounds and religious traditions. More than 22 majors and six pre-professional programs are available plus accelerated bachelor's to master's degrees. Responsive to the evolving educational needs of the community, the School of Graduate and Professional Studies offers both women and men graduate degree programs including: management, counseling, education, and nursing along with online programs in biology, biochemistry and nutrition. In addition, the undergraduate Weekend Program for Adult Learners, professional certificate programs relevant to today's workforce and other continuing co-educational learning opportunities are available. In the fall of 2011, the Saint Joseph College School of Pharmacy, the first doctoral program in the College's 79-year history, welcomed its first class to Hartford 21 on Trumbull Street in downtown Hartford. View our website at www.sjc.edu.

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