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Grupo De Danza Folklorica Quetzaly and Mariachi Joya Dorada de U-46 to perform at ESO's 'Mariachi!' ---

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The Grupo De Danza Folklorica Quetzaly will showcase Mexican culture and dance during intermission at this weekend's Elgin Symphony Orchestra's "Mariachi!" concerts. *Courtesy of Grupo De Danza Folklorica Quetzal*

Concert attendees will experience a celebration of local Mexican heritage when the Elgin Symphony Orchestra welcomes Grupo De Danza Folklorica Quetzaly and Mariachi Joya Dorada de U-46 to perform at the Symphony's "Mariachi!" concerts featuring Mariachi Acero de Las Vegas at the Hemmens Cultural Center on April 30 and May 1.



The student musicians of Mariachi Joya Dorada de U-46 will be performing in the lobby before the "Mariachi!" concerts this weekend. - Courtesy of Mariachi Joya Dorada de U-46

Performing in the lobby starting one hour before the concerts will be the student musicians of Mariachi Joya Dorada de U-46.

The group is composed of students from **U-46 middle and high schools**. Since its founding in 2018, the group has performed at dozens of events.



During intermission at this weekend's ESO concerts, the Grupo De Danza Folklorica Quetzaly featuring Elgin area youth and adults, will perform. - Courtesy of Grupo De Danza Folklorica Quetzal

Grupo De Danza Folklorica Quetzaly, which provides the opportunity for children and adults in the Elgin area to celebrate and stay connected to their Mexican heritage through folk dance and music, will perform at intermission.

"The Elgin Symphony Orchestra is committed to celebrating and sharing the diverse culture of our community," said Marc Thayer, CEO of the Elgin Symphony Orchestra. "We are excited to bring this festive celebration of Elgin's local Mexican heritage to the Hemmens Cultural Center this month.



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"These two groups are dedicated to preserving the colorful Mexican arts culture with future generations and showcasing their heritage with the greater community," Thayer continued. "We encourage patrons to arrive early to hear the student performers in Mariachi Joya Dorada de U-46, and to enjoy the intermission performance by Grupo De Danza Folklorica Quetzaly."