

The PASEO 2016 Presents Robert Mirabal Under a Dome of Stars

Taos Pueblo musician is set to perform during September outdoor art festival in Taos

Taos N.M. September 11, 2016 – The immensely popular new media, alternative, temporary, participatory, and immersive Taos art festival scheduled for September 23 through 25 has added some extra star power to its calendar of events. The PASEO 2016 directors have just announced two ticketed Robert Mirabal performances and three ticketed workshops to its list of totally free-to-the-public art happenings.

Two-time Grammy award-winning performer, Robert Mirabal will present two unique performances (4:00pm and 10:00pm Saturday) during The PASEO 2016 titled “Star Runner.” Both will happen inside a 36-foot-wide geodesic video dome to be installed in Kit Carson Park during the festival. The dome is a creation of Lumenscapes 360 of Santa Fe and will be open free to the public from 5:00pm to 10:00pm both Friday and Saturday featuring projection work by Francois Montcarey of Switzerland.

Inside the dome, the audience will experience 360-degree, ultra-high-definition visuals projected on the entire inner surface of the geodesic dome. A multi-channel audio-visual system will deliver high-resolution images and sound exceeding IMAX film quality.

For The PASEO, Lumenscapes founder Joe Abraham Dean has prepared a light show of 360-degree interstellar visuals that will lead viewers on a voyage across the universe. During his performance, Mirabal will be the navigator who brings the Kachinas (the audience) to earth in search of the Chacoans. The collaboration between the two artists, Mirabal and Dean, promises to be a performance unlike any other ever presented in Taos, New Mexico. It will merge ancient pueblo musical references with outer space imagery, made possible with Communal Immersive Media (CIM) technology.

Tickets for Robert Mirabal Star Runner are \$35 each with a maximum occupancy for each performance of 125 people. The concert is a fundraiser for The Paseo Project. Tickets are now available through Taos Center for the Arts, 575-758-2052, online tcataos.org and at paseoproject.org.

For any visitor to The PASEO 2016 festival who wants to understand the technology used to create the Robert Mirabal Star Runner experience, a workshop is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 11:00am to 2:00pm. “Producing for Immersive Media: a primer workshop” will be led by David Beining of ARTS Lab from UNM. The workshop will be an introduction to the design considerations and production techniques for immersive media, digital domes, virtual reality headsets and 360° video. Cost is \$20 per person, max 50 participants. Tickets are available through Taos Center for the Arts, 575-758-2052, online tcataos.org and at paseoproject.org.

Two other ticketed workshops are being offered as part of Daytime@ThePASEO: “Projection Mapping + Interactivity,” also by ARTS Lab and UNM students, and “Mobile Projection Art” led by artists VJ Suave (Brazil) and OMAI (Austria). Both are \$20 per person with a 20-person maximum attendance.

The PASEO 2016 Festival Schedule at a Glance

FRIDAY September 23

4:00–5:00pm | PASEO Visitor Center, Encore Gallery, TCA

PASEO 2016 Director’s Kickoff Talk with Agnes Chavez, J. Matthew Thomas, and Erin Elder

5:00–10:00pm | Taos Historic District

The Festival! 100% free.

SATURDAY September 24

11:00am-2:00pm | The Big Dome in Kit Carson Park
Producing for Immersive Media, a workshop, \$20

1:00–2:00pm | PASEO Visitor Center, Encore Gallery, TCA
Art, Engagement and Public Space, a discussion with J. Matt Thomas, free

2:00–3:00pm | PASEO Visitor Center, Encore Gallery, TCA
Making Material Interactions, lecture by Leah Buechley, free

3:00–4:30pm | PASEO Visitor Center, Encore Gallery, TCA
Can STEAM Empower Youth and Community? a roundtable, free

4:00pm | The Dome in Kit Carson Park
Robert Mirabal: Star Runner, performance, \$35

5:00–10:00pm | Taos Historic District
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9:00pm+ | Taos Mesa Brewing
The PASEO After Party, \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door

10:00pm | The Dome in Kit Carson Park
Robert Mirabal: Star Runner, performance, \$35

SUNDAY September 25

11:00am–2:00pm | ToolBox on Civic Plaza Drive
Projection Mapping + Interactivity, a hands-on workshop, \$20

1:00-2:00pm | The Harwood Museum of Art, Bell Auditorium
Dosshaus in Conversation with Nancy Zastudil, free

3:00-4:00pm | The Harwood Museum of Art, Bell Auditorium
What is Creative Placemaking? With Anita McKeown, free

4:00-6:00pm | ToolBox on Civic Plaza Drive
Mobile Projection Art, a hands-on workshop, \$20

7:00 - 9:30pm | Taos Community Auditorium
Pecha Kucha Night Volume 20, The Fall Arts Edition, \$10

About The PASEO

In its third year, The PASEO 2016 is held in conjunction with the 42-year-old Taos Fall Arts Festival (September 23 through October 2), a Taos tradition that exhibits works by over 160 painters, sculptors and photographers in two major exhibitions. The two art events combine with numerous gallery openings, a film festival, and an arts and crafts fair to make September an exceptionally creative time to visit Taos.

The PASEO is a New Mexico True event, sponsored in part by the Town of Taos, Taos County Lodgers Tax Funds, and many individual businesses and donors.