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### **Cinco de Mayo comes to MCC's South Omaha Campus**

OMAHA, Neb. — Metropolitan Community College will hold its 15<sup>th</sup> annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration on Tuesday, April 29, from noon to 1:30 p.m. in room 120 of the Industrial Training Center located at the South Omaha Campus, 2709 Edward Babe Gomez Ave. Keynote speaker will be Maria Hinojosa, award-winning news anchor and reporter from PBS and NPR.

Hinojosa, host of "Latino USA" on NPR, has more than 25 years of experience as a journalist and has garnered four Emmys for her work in cultural and political news. As part of the celebration, guests will be treated to a lunch from El Aguila Mexican Restaurant and music by Mariachi Las Cecillas, an all-female musical group.

"MCC's Cinco de Mayo Celebration offers an opportunity for MCC students, personnel and the community to gather to honor the important history of Cinco de Mayo," says Barbara Velázquez, coordinator of international and intercultural education. "Additionally, the holiday allows us to give thanks for the contributions of Mexicans and Mexican-Americans whose hard work and honorable character continue to strengthen our country."

Make your reservations today by calling 402-457-5231. Reservations for the event will close on Monday, April 21 or when capacity is reached. General admission for the event is \$15 while MCC student admission is \$10. For more information, contact Velázquez at [bvelazquez@mccneb.edu](mailto:bvelazquez@mccneb.edu) or at 402-457-2253.

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Metropolitan Community College, accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association, is a comprehensive, public community college that offers affordable and quality education to all residents of Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy and Washington counties. Founded in 1974, MCC has the largest enrollment out of six community colleges in Nebraska and is the

second largest postsecondary institution in the state. MCC serves more than 40,000 students annually.