

¡Fiesta!

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Fort Lewis College's El Centro de Muchos Colores hosted this year's 10th annual Fiesta on the Mesa at the college's outdoor amphitheater on Monday night. The evening was filled with festive costumes, dancing, food, crafts and music, which was provided by Mexico's "Kings of Cumbia" *Grupo Control*.

The annual event kicks off Hispanic Heritage Month, a national celebration that takes place from Sept. 15 - Oct. 15. The Fiesta also marked "El Dia del Grito," in which crowds in Mexico sing out the "Cry of Dolores," known to be the anthem of the 1810 War of Mexican Independence.



Young folkloric dancers started off the evening's festivities.



A taco dinner provided by Sodexo, free to FLC students and staff.



Two young partygoers ponder the piñata spoils.



Self-proclaimed "Kings of Cumbia" *Grupo Control* provided live music for the evening.