



**Greetings Friends!**

**We hope that you all are having a great fall semester and are healthy and safe!!**

The theme of FESTIBA 2025 is "*Life's Tapestry: Art and Words*" and we are planning a great week of exciting and memorable activities!

The FESTIBA 2025 Mariachi Festival will take place on February 28 & March 1st. We are posting the registration forms soon on the UTRGV FESTIBA website. Please submit by February 3rd, 2025, at [festiba@utrgv.edu](mailto:festiba@utrgv.edu). Workshop and Competition schedule to follow. The workshop entry fee is \$50 per students for all activities. Directors accompanying students are free.

We are proud and excited to host our special guests for FESTIBA 2025 - Mariachi Sol de Mexico de Jose Hernandez !!

Mariachi Sol de Mexico de Jose Hernandez is a traveling cultural icon that symbolizes extraordinary musicianship and works hard to inspire and empower the next generation of musicians through educational initiatives.

Plan to join us at FESTIBA 2025 !! It will be a great workshop, competition and concert!  
Warmest regards,

Francisco Loera