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@KimmelCenter partners with Outside Sound and @TallerPR for FREE presentation of student artistic work, "Sonido del Corazon" on 3/8! North Philadelphia students will blend writing, dance, and visual arts that speak to their experiences, insights, and ideals. #ArtHappensHere

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**THE KIMMEL CENTER CULTURAL CAMPUS COMMISSIONS
A COLLABORATION BETWEEN OUTSIDE SOUND &
TALLER PUERTORRIQUEÑO ENTITLED
*SONIDO DEL CORAZON***

**FREE presentation of Writing, Dance, and Visual Arts from
North Philadelphia students,
March 8, 2020**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Philadelphia, PA, February 12, 2020) – The Kimmel Center Cultural Campus is proud to collaborate with Outside Sound and Taller Puertorriqueño to commission *Sonido del Corazon*, a free presentation of artistic expression featuring young students from North Philadelphia’s Puerto Rican and Latino communities.

Outside Sound, an instrumental jazz ensemble, is partnering with the Kimmel Center and Taller Puertorriqueño, a dynamic arts and culture organization in North Philadelphia, for a seven-week music writing and production residency. Guest teaching artists will be collaborating with Taller Puertorriqueño participants – young students from North Philadelphia's Puerto Rican and Latino communities – to create new music and mixed media works. These works, which will blend writing, performance, dance/choreography, and visual arts, will speak to their experiences, insights, and ideals. The finished

products will be performed and put on display at the Kimmel Center's SEI Innovation Studio on Sunday, March 8, at 2:00 p.m.

“The Kimmel Center Cultural Campus is committed to engaging the region’s rich populations with the arts through diverse programming, education opportunities, free events, and more – cultivating an inclusive, impactful environment,” said Anne Ewers, President and CEO of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. “We are proud to collaborate with Outside Sound and Taller Puertorriqueño to provide an artistic voice to young students in North Philadelphia. They are our future, and these collaborations enable all of us to continue expanding access to the arts in our city with free, culturally enriching programs.”

Sonido del Corazon is part of the Kimmel Center’s extensive FREE programming offered all season long across the Cultural Campus. Designed to reflect the broad and diverse interests of Philadelphia audiences, FREE programming ranges from jazz to Latin music, Broadway showtunes to organ demonstrations, community chat-backs to seasonal happenings. For additional & the most up-to-date information on these FREE events or any Kimmel Center Cultural Campus event, please visit www.kimmelcenter.org.

SONIDO DEL CORAZON

Kimmel Center Cultural Campus’ SEI Innovation Studio

March 8, 2020, 2:00 PM

Tickets

This is a FREE but ticketed event on the Kimmel Center Cultural Campus. Tickets can be reserved by calling 215-893-1999, online at www.kimmelcenter.org, or at the Kimmel Center Box Office. General group sales for additional Kimmel Center Cultural Campus presentations are available for groups of 10 or more and can be purchased by calling 215-790-5883. See www.kimmelcenter.org for more information.

Outside Sound

Outside Sound is an instrumental Jazz ensemble based in Philadelphia and was founded by bassist and composer Chris Coyle. Outside Sound performs mixed media works in collaboration with artists, students and participants from varied (and sometimes under-served) communities. The ensemble has worked with such participants through workshops, residencies and performances that have taken place in the greater Boston, Minneapolis, and Philadelphia areas. Locally, Outside Sound has presented their work at venues such as Philadelphia Magic Gardens, The Philadelphia Art Museum, and the Philadelphia Academy of Fine Arts. <https://outsidesound.net/about/>

Taller Puertorriqueño, Inc.

(Taller) is a community-based cultural organization whose primary purpose is to preserve, develop and promote Puerto Rican arts and culture, grounded in the conviction that embracing one’s cultural heritage is central to community empowerment. Taller is also committed to the representation and support of other Latino cultural expressions and our common roots. <https://tallerpr.org/>

The Kimmel Center Cultural Campus

Located in the heart of Center City, Philadelphia, our mission is to engage the region’s diverse communities with art through performance and education. Our Cultural Campus serves more than 1 million guests per year and includes the **Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts**, the **Academy of Music**, and the **Merriam Theater**- representing more than 160 years of rich history for the performing arts

along Philadelphia's Avenue of the Arts. We are home to eight esteemed Resident Companies: **The Philadelphia Orchestra, Opera Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Ballet, The Philly POPS, PHILADANCO, The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, The Philadelphia Chamber Music Society, and Curtis Institute of Music.** With nearly 9,000 seats per night, we are the region's most impactful performing arts center, and the second largest in the country. Our Cultural Campus serves as a preeminent and inclusive place to enjoy exceptional experiences that reflect the spirit of our region by cultivating a creative and socially-responsible environment where our community shares experiences that are delivered with pride, integrity, and respect. As a 501 c 3 nonprofit organization, we collaborate on, present, and produce a broad range of relevant and meaningful events, we serve as an active gathering space for social and community events, we educate the region's young people through access to quality arts experiences, and we provide support to artists in the creation of new work. American Airlines is the official airline of Broadway Philadelphia. For additional information, visit www.kimmelcenter.org.

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