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There's only one month left to buy tickets for the upcoming Lake Chapala Society fund raiser, Fiesta Latina, scheduled for February 4th from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the LCS. Attendance is limited to 20 tables of 10 each and tickets are selling fast.

This annual fund raiser will feature an extensive dinner buffet catered by Roberto's restaurant, with foods from several Latin countries, including appetizers, various entrees, dessert and a complimentary drink. You will enjoy live music from Javier Raygoza and his *Orquesta Tipica de Chapala* , playing pieces from Mexico's rich musical heritage and watch Cumbia, Salsa and Tango dancers perform.

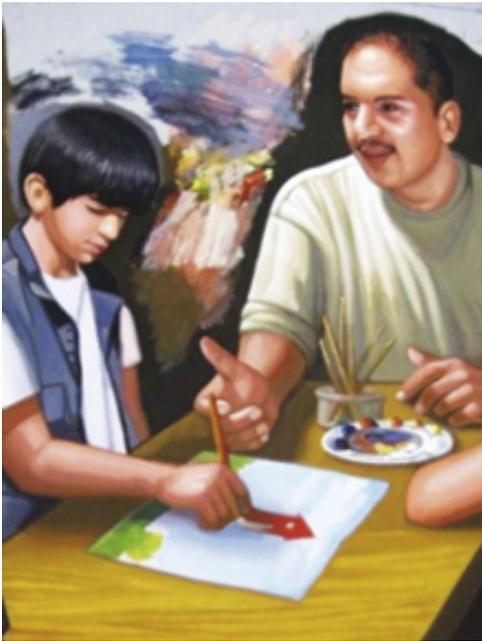
Upscale silent auction items include three golf packages, dinners and stays at various haciendas and hotels, catered dinners for six and eight people, a flat-screen TV, solar water heater and many art works. Then, between cocktails and dinner, there will be an official unveiling of the new mural located in the back of Lake Chapala Society where the children are given art lessons. The mural, about 50% complete, is being painted by Jesus Lopez Vega and Javier Zaragoza, both graduates of Neill James' art programs which began in the late 50s. The Ajjic Society of the Arts generously donated \$5,000 pesos for the materials needed to paint the

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mural and \$3,000 pesos for the children's art supplies.

After dinner, guests will be invited to dance in the gazebo. This is the main fund raiser for the LCS Community Education Program and allows LCS to carry on Neill James' legacy by giving back to the Mexican community. Tickets for the upcoming Fiesta Latina cost \$400 pesos which includes one drink and they may be purchased at LCS, Diane Pearl's and at Opus Boutique. Plan ahead as tickets will not be available at the door. If you have auction items to donate, please contact Nancy Creevan at contigo2000@yahoo.com



A peek preview of a portion of the mural

which will be unveiled at the Fiesta Latina.