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Photo by Antonio Arredondo Juarez (left) and Ricardo Palavecino (right).

***Campos de Ensueños Exhibition
Travels to Channing Peake Gallery***

Santa Barbara. CA – April 5, 2016

The Santa Barbara County Arts Commission is pleased to present *Campos de Ensueños*, a photography exhibition featuring artists Ricardo Palavecino and Antonio Arredondo Juarez. Organized by Craig Rosen of the Ventura County Arts Council in collaboration with the Mixteco Indigenous Community Organizing Project (MICOP), *Campos de Ensueños* focuses on field workers and the California Mixteco community.

A reception for the artists will be held in Channing Peake Gallery during the 1st Thursday in May, on May 5 from 5-7 p.m. The reception will feature Oaxacan food, music, dancing and presentations by the artists as well as the Tequio Youth Group (MICOP's initiative to develop the leadership skills of indigenous Mexican youth). The exhibition will be on view through August 26, 2016.

Born in Chile, photographer Ricardo Palavecino has also worked as a videographer and cinematographer for over thirty years. *Campos de Ensueños* includes Palavecino's

portraits of and personal statements made by Mixteco community members living in Ventura, California.

Antonio Arredondo Juarez was born in Villa Guerrero, Jalisco, Mexico and currently studies non-profit business administration at California State University, Channel Islands. For *Campos de Ensueños*, Juarez photographed farm workers and mounted their portraits to waxed produce boxes attached to shipping palettes.

Organizing curator of the exhibition Craig Rosen said, "*Campos De Ensueños* seeks to shine a light on the work campesinos perform, hoping to instill an appreciation and curiosity in the viewer. The show seeks to raise awareness about the Mixteco people, their struggles and aspirations."

This Ventura County Arts Council traveling exhibition was made possible by a grant from the Puffin Foundation.



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For more information on the *Campos de Ensueños* exhibition, please contact Chief Curator of the Santa Barbara County Arts Commission Maiza Hixson at maiza@sbartscommission.org or 805-568-3994.

Event: *Campos de Ensueños* Exhibition Reception

Dates: 1st Thursday on May 5, 2016 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Campos De Ensueños will be on view in the Channing Peake Gallery from May 5-August 26, 2016.

Location: Channing Peake Gallery, Santa Barbara County Administration Building, 105 E. Anapamu St., Santa Barbara, CA

The Mission of the Santa Barbara County Arts Commission is to act as coordinator and catalyst, bringing government, artist and public together for the cultural benefit of all.

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