

“Social Justice Collaborative Presents: Quitapenas & Tarimba Benefit Concert for Family Unity at New Parish Oakland”

Social Justice Collaborative presents Quitapenas & Tarimba in a Benefit Concert for Family Unity at New Parish Oakland on October 4, 2015 at 7:00pm. The New Parish is located at **1743 San Pablo Ave (at 18th St.) in Oakland, CA**. Concert proceeds will go directly towards providing legal services for families with children who are being deported to countries where they face grave danger.

Social Justice Collaborative Involvement

The current immigration system in the U.S. finds many families torn apart and separated by borders, yet this system does not provide legal counsel in removal proceedings. During the first 6 months of 2015, 97.7% of cases involving women and children ended in orders of deportation. ^[1] Having an attorney greatly increases an individual’s opportunity of winning a case, but even in San Francisco, only 52% of pending cases are represented. And the number of unrepresented families will likely increase as the courts are flooded with new cases because of the recent lawsuit demanding the end of family detention of immigrants.

Because many families with children cannot afford legal representation, **legal fees are subsidized through Social Justice Collaborative’s fundraising efforts**. On Sunday night, Social Justice Collaborative partners with the New Parish to hold a benefit concert featuring Quitapenas and Tarimba.

Benefit Concert Performers

“To remove worries”, the meaning of “**Quitapenas**” not only defines this band’s music, but also the theme of Social Justice Collaborative’s legal defense mission. Quitapenas is a tropical Afro-Latin combo, creating rhythmically pulsating music reminiscent of evenings under tiki torches and salty breezes in Angola, Peru, Colombia, Brazil and beyond.

Tarimba is a collective of local Bay Area musicians performing the traditional genre of Son Jarocho music. The core members of Tarimba, Lolis García and Kyla Danysh, bring non- traditional backgrounds as multi-instrumentalists and vocalists who actively perform and teach in the Bay Area music community.

From Klezmer to “gypsy jazz” and Balkan music, Berkeley native, **Kyla Danysh** still plays violin and teaches literacy and music classes throughout the East Bay.

Dolores "Lolis" Garcia is the Assistant Director of the East Bay Center's resident arts company, Son de la Tierra. Lolis has mastered a number of string and percussion instruments in a variety of Son traditions including Huasteco, Jarocho, Tixtleco, and Mariachero and teaches at several schools as well as the East Bay Center for the Performing Arts in Richmond.

Tickets for this concert may be purchased online or at the door. Ticket prices are \$12 in advance, \$15 after Sept. 15, \$20 at the door.

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Venue: The New Parish

Location: [1743 San Pablo Ave \(at 18th St\), Oakland, CA.](#)

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Ages 18+ only

Ticket purchase: <http://thenewparish.com/event.cfm?id=218044>

Social Justice Collaborative: <http://socialjusticecollaborative.org/>