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Peninsula Open Space Trust (POST) Presents Free Online Event with Dolores Huerta and Luis Valdez

January 26 event opens POST's annual Wallace Stegner Lectures

Palo Alto, Calif. – January 5, 2021 — On Tuesday, January 26 at 7 p.m. Pacific Time, longtime activists and friends **Dolores Huerta** (co-founder, [United Farm Workers](#)) and **Luis Valdez** (founder, [El Teatro Campesino](#)) will kick off the [Peninsula Open Space Trust's](#) (POST) 2021 Wallace Stegner Lectures.

This online conversation, entitled “Land and People,” is free to all. Advance registration is available at <https://openspacetrust.org/wsls-dolores-huerta/>.

Dolores Huerta is best known as co-founder, with César Chávez, of United Farm Workers. Since then, she has worked for decades to protect the civil rights of immigrant communities in California and beyond – while challenging gender discrimination all along the way. Playwright and director **Luis Valdez** has long been a voice for the Chicano community through his writings and theater productions, which are inspired by his involvement with Chávez, the United Farm Workers and the Chicano Movement.

In this online conversation, Huerta and Valdez will reflect on their long histories in the Santa Clara Valley, their work toward social and environmental justice and their perspectives on the relationships between history, land and people in California.

José González, founder of [Latino Outdoors](#), will facilitate the discussion. Community partners for this free event include [Latino Outdoors](#), the [Dolores Huerta Foundation](#) and [Puente](#).

This special event opens POST's annual Wallace Stegner Lectures, which will feature activist **Erin Brockovich** (Feb 23), climate scientist **Dr. Michael E. Mann** (Mar 9) and humanitarian chef **José Andrés** (Apr 6). The entire series is available as a package for \$30 at www.openspacetrust.org/lectures. Advance registration is required for all events. All proceeds support POST's work to protect open space on the Peninsula and in the South Bay for the benefit of all.

POST's annual [Wallace Stegner Lectures](#), now in their 29th year, pay tribute to the conservation legacy of Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist, Stanford University professor and ardent spokesman for the West's wild



Dolores Huerta & Luis Valdez

places, Wallace Stegner. The series is supported by the Bill and Jean Lane Endowment, with additional support from Sand Hill Global Advisers, One World, Malone Media, Alex and Lily Wang, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati Foundation, Pie Ranch and Embarcadero Media.

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About Peninsula Open Space Trust

POST protects open space on the Peninsula and in the South Bay for the benefit of all. As a private nonprofit land trust, POST has been responsible for saving more than 80,000 acres since its founding in 1977. POST works with private landowners and public agencies to connect people and nature. Visit openspacetrust.org for more information.

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****CALENDAR LISTING****

Peninsula Open Space Trust (POST) Presents Activists Dolores Huerta and Luis Valdez in FREE online event “Land and People” on January 26, 2021

WHAT: Longtime activists [Dolores Huerta](#) and [Luis Valdez](#) will reflect on their histories in the Santa Clara Valley, their work toward social and environmental justice and their perspectives on the relationships between history, land and people in California, as part of POST’s annual [Wallace Stegner Lectures](#).

WHO: **Dolores Huerta** is best known as co-founder, with César Chávez, of United Farm Workers, and for her decades of work to protect the civil rights of women and immigrant communities in California and beyond. Playwright **Luis Valdez**, founder of [El Teatro Campesino](#), has long been a voice for the Chicano community through his writings and theater productions. [José González](#), founder of [Latino Outdoors](#), will facilitate.

This lecture is part of the annual Wallace Stegner Lectures organized by [Peninsula Open Space Trust](#) (POST).

WHEN: **Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2021**
7 p.m. Pacific Time

WHERE: **Online.** This event is free but advance registration is required [here](#).

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