

# *Septeto Santiaguero delights Mexican audience with concert at Cervantino Festival*

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Guanajuato, Oct. 19 (RHC)-- Cuba's Septeto Santiaguero delighted their Mexican audience with a concert in the framework of the 49th Cervantino Festival, during which the two-time Grammy award-winning band performed traditional Cuban tunes from their vast repertoire.

During the two-hour concert, streamed also on digital platforms, musicians with Septeto Santiaguero performed also tracks from their latest album 'Y sigo pa'lante', among them 'El chan Chan', 'Amor silvestre', 'Que le den candela', 'Esa familia a mí no me conviene'. With 'Y sigo pa'lante', Septeto Santiaguero

celebrates its 25th anniversary.

The band led by musician Fernando Dewar paid tribute to Cuban maestro Adalberto Álvarez, who died on September 1st past due to complications associated with Covid-19.

Also in the framework of the 49th Cervantino Festival, pianist José María Vitier gave a concert at Juárez theatre. Entitled 'Tarde en La Habana' the concert featured Cuban soprano Bárbara Llanes, percussionist and abakúa drums player Yaroldy Abreu and conga player Adel González, who performed a varied repertoire that included both, classical and popular music.

The Cuban female rap duo La Reina y La Real, exponents of the country avant-garde artistic movement also gave a concert, during which they advocated women's empowerment with tunes like the hit song 'Que se queme el arroz.'

Meanwhile, trova musicians Ray Fernández and Eduardo Sosa offered their art from Casa Cuba cultural center, in Guanajuato.

Besides the concerts and other cultural presentations, the Cuban artistic delegation participating in the 49th Cervantino Festival, led by Culture Minister Alpidio Alonso, have held fruitful talks with Mexican cultural authorities toward strengthening bilateral ties. The two sides agreed to forge new alliances between the organizers of the Timbalaye and Rumba Festivals in Cuba and the Carnival in Veracruz.

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