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Bilingual Family Concert at Esparto and West Sacramento Libraries

(Woodland, CA) – On Saturday, December 5, the Yolo County Library will host a free, bilingual musical event for the whole family by bay area talent, Colibrí, at both the Esparto Regional Library and at the Arthur F. Turner Community Library. Colibrí will perform at the Esparto Regional Library at 10:30 a.m. and at the Arthur F. Turner Community Library at 1:30 p.m.

Colibrí – Spanish for hummingbird – is a duo that presents lively, interactive musical journeys through Latin America. Using an exciting array of traditional folk instruments, Lichi Fuentes and Alisa Peres create a bridge linking children in the United States with those in Spanish-speaking parts of the world. Colibrí's extensive repertoire includes selections ranging from a Bolivian festival song about a mother dancing with her baby to a Chilean song about worms, as well as popular Mexican sing-alongs.

“We are very excited to have this dynamic duo performing for us at the library,” said Yolo County Librarian Patty Wong. “Studies show that music is an important tool in teaching children key literacy skills, promoting a love of language, learning and remembering stories, and learning about the world around them.”

“Colibrí does a wonderful job of creating a shared, interactive literacy and cultural experience with children and families,” said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Mike McGowan. “This concert will be a fun way to learn about Latin American cultures and just enjoy a great show with your family.”

The performance in Esparto will begin at 10:30 a.m. at the Esparto Regional Library located at 17065 Yolo Avenue. The performance in West Sacramento will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the Arthur F. Turner Library located at 1212 Merkley Avenue.

The Colibrí performance is funded by an Institute of Museum and Library Services grant for family literacy and a First 5 Yolo Children and Family Commission grant to promote literacy activities for children ages 0-5 and their parents.

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Picture: Lichi Fuentes and Alisa Peres of Colibrí