

# SANTA BARBARA CONTEMPORARY ARTS FORUM

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***Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum presents***

**The Black and Orange Bash 2005**

**NOCHE DE LOS MUERTOS @ the SB County Courthouse**

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 29, 2005**

**8PM TO MIDNIGHT**

On Saturday, October 29 the **Santa Barbara County Courthouse** will be ghoulishly transformed to welcome back the dead in style as part of the Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum's **2005 Black and Orange Bash, *Noche de los Muertos***. Santa Barbara's premier Halloween Event for the arts crowd, this year's party features and unprecedented line-up of contemporary artists transforming themselves into living artworks for the Deadly Costume Processional. Come and see some of Santa Barbara most illustrious artists (Eric Beltz, Claudia Bratton, Jane Callister, David Florimbi, Lawrence Gipe, Penelope Gottlieb, Steven Lovelace, Teja Ream and many more) don their most frightfully creative costumes as they dance and parade throughout the candle-lit, marigold-adorned Courthouse.

Prepare to be petrified as the Courthouse Tower becomes a Tower of Terror, a haunted tour where guests will be led by an un-dead tourist couple caught haplessly in a post-mortem loop of eternal vacation. For the dapper departed, an open-to-all costume contest will be held with a \$1000 Grand Prize and fabulous 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes to be announced. Juried by three surprise VIP judges the contest promises to be a spooky spectacle! We will also feature monster mash-ups by Santa Barbara's hottest dance DJ Scott Topper and spine tingling symphonies by organist Anna Abbey. A monumental Muertos Altarpiece, Fortune Tellers, and more will also add to the evening's festivities!

\$40 per person/\$35 for CAF members or for \$60 receive one ticket and a one-year membership to CAF. *Become a member today!* Tickets included admission, one complimentary drink ticket, dancing and entertainment all night long. You must be 21 to attend.

For tickets or information please contact the Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum at 805.966.5373 ext 104

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