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Media Advisory

WHAT: The Smithsonian's Anacostia Community Museum's 24th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. program features a special lecture by Baldemar Velásquez. The program includes a musical performance by Mexican folk musician, Rudy Arredondo.

WHEN: Thursday, Jan. 15
Media opportunity, 5:15–6:15 p.m.
Program, 7–9:30 p.m.

WHERE: Baird Auditorium, National Museum of Natural History
10th Street and Constitution Avenue N.W.

WHO: Baldemar Velásquez, founder, Farm Labor Organizing Committee (FLOC), AFL-CIO
Camille Giraud Akeju, director, Anacostia Community Museum
Eduardo Díaz, director, Smithsonian Latino Center

Founder and director of the Farm Labor Organizing Committee, Velásquez is a highly regarded leader in the movements for both farm laborers and Latino immigrant rights. His lecture topic for the event is "Latinos and Civil Rights: Changing the Face of America."

Media are asked to RSVP at (202) 633-4876.

The program is co-sponsored by the Smithsonian Latino Center.

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