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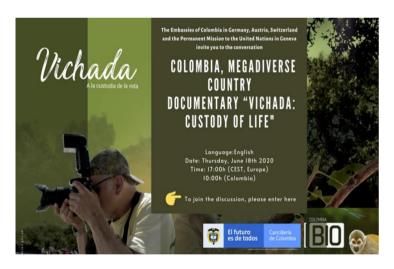


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This past year was a different year full of challenges, as much at a personal as at a professional level. At the Embassy, in terms of cultural activities, we tried to find new ways to keep building bridges. We would like to thank you for your support. In this newsletter, we will relive the activities we organized and the celebration of 100 years of diplomatic relations between Colombia and Austria.

Celebration World Environment Day



Virtual (June 25/20) The Embassies of Colombia in Germany, Austria and Switzerland and the Permanent Mission to the United Nations in Geneva presented the talk "Vichada: Custody of Life", from the Colombia Bio series, a journey of exploring the importance of for the biodiversity planet and humanity's wellbeing, and also of promoting actions for its conservation and sustainable use.

Press release: <u>http://bit.ly/3sZKC9J</u>

Talk: Colombia 200 years building the country

Virtual (August 3/20) In order to commemorate the Battle of Boyacá and as part of the Plan to Promote Colombia Abroad, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs carried out a round of talks called "Colombia: A country of opportunities". In the case of Austria, Professor Fernando Cepeda talked about the evolution of democracy in Colombia.



Virtual Colombian Cooking Class: Virtual Empanadas

Virtual (Sept. 30/20) The Embassies of Colombia in Austria and Germany organized a virtual Colombian cooking class with the Colombian chef Maria Buenaventura. 18 chefs from Germany, Austria and Slovakia made Empanadas de Pipian and Aji de Mani, following the instructions of the Colombian chef.

Stemming from the gastronomic activities of these Embassies, a recipe book was created in various languages. We invite you to take a look:



Recipe book: <u>http://bit.ly/3sY2IJe</u>

Week of Interculturality in Vienna



Virtual (Sept. 18/20) Colombia was part of the celebration of the Long Nights of Interculturality organized by ICDO, with the of Colombian participation artists and documentaries. On this occasion, the book "Typical Costumes of the World" was including than 170 presented, more traditional costumes. From Colombia, there are: the Pollera Colorá, the Manta Guajira, the Garabato, the Campesino Andino and others.

Link to book: <u>http://bit.ly/3a6e59i</u>

The rhythm of the Carnaval de Barranquilla...

Virtual (Nov 20/20) In November, a virtual dance workshop of the most representative dances of the Carnaval de Barranquilla took place. This workshop presented our rhythms, giving the participants from Austria, Slovenia, Slovakia and the Czech Republic the chance to learn more about our country through the carnival.



Manifiesta arrived in Europe



Viena (Oct. 26/20) With the help of the Embassy of Colombia in Austria and ICDO, Manifiesta by the Colombian artist Pedro Ruiz arrived in Europe. This initiative seeks to transmit a pro nature message through art. using interactive participatory and innovative techniques. Filters were created for Instagram to be used by the participants to convey their message of protecting and conserving nature.

> Website ICDO project: <u>https://www.icdo.at/mani-fiesta/</u>

The Rhythms of the Pacific Region

Virtual (Dec. 10/20)

The Embassies of Colombia in Austria and the United Kingdom organized the virtual talk "Colombia: The Rhythms of the Pacific Region", presenting as main guest the Colombian musician Absalón Sinisterra, who talked about the Colombian Pacific region, its sounds and its traditions. Also, the music group presented a live set at the Colombian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Press release: <u>http://bit.ly/3puGdt5</u>





Installation UniBirds

Vienna (Jan. 29/21) Since December 10, 2020 and until January 29, 2021, the art installations "Unibirds: The Universe of Birds in Colombia" can be visited at the town square of Stattegg in Styria, Austria. Thanks to the Artivive technology, the Colombian artists Mantilla and Chaparro made it possible for the public to interact with the birds. This project is supported by the town council and Colombia-born councilwoman Juanita Guerra.

Gallery: <u>http://bit.ly/2Mr5ohq</u>



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