

Sister Melanie Maczka
Director and Founder of Casa ALBA Melanie
Green Bay, WI

Esteemed Sister Melanie,

I am pleased to inform you that nominations of persons, both domestic and foreign, have been submitted by the General Consulate of Mexico in Chicago to the Institute for Mexicans Abroad, Secretary of Relations of Mexico, for consideration for the "Ohtli" Recognition.

The word "Ohtli" is in the language Náhuatl, and means "Way". The "Ohtli" is the highest recognition awarded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to people, regardless of their country of origin, who have distinguished themselves in work on behalf of the Mexican community residing abroad.

It is a great honor for me to inform you that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, through the IME, after a thorough examination of the candidates, selected you to receive this high distinction. If it is convenient for you, I (the writer) would wish to present this esteemed recognition to you in the context of the reception of the Independence Day of Mexico, which will be held from 6:00 – 8:00pm (18:00 to 20:00) at the National Museum of Mexican Art (1852 W. 19th Street, Chicago, IL 60608)

I ask you to confirm your gracious attendance at this reception and to submit the names of people who would accompany you.

Please accept the assurances of my highest and most distinguished attention,

Sincerely

Carlos Jimenez Macias
General Consulate of Mexico in Chicago, Illinois