

2020 MSU Cesar E. Chavez/Dolores Huerta Commemorative Celebration

**Friday, March 13, 2020
Kellogg Center - 8:30 a.m.**

“Looking Back to Move Forward: A History of the Struggle and Where to Go from Here”

Conference Agenda

- 8:30 a.m. Registration Check-in
9:00 a.m. Welcome and Remarks
9:15 a.m. Viewing of the documentary,
War of the Flea: Fight for Xicano Studies
Dr. Ernesto Todd Mireles
10:30 a.m. Workshop #1: Exercising Your Right to vote
Workshop #2: Farmworkers Today
Workshop #3: Latinx Medical Student Panel
Lunch
11:30 a.m. Lunch
12:00 p.m. Keynote Speaker: Dr. Todd Mireles
12:45 p.m. Leadership Award Announcements
12:55 p.m. Closing Remarks
1:00 p.m. March to the Chavez Collection
Main Library (weather permitting)

Keynote Speaker



Ernesto Todd Mireles, MSW, Ph.D., is dedicated to telling the stories of his Xicanx community. He grew up in Lansing, MI, with four siblings. He has four children, seven grandchildren, and 27 nieces and nephews, most of all who still live in Lansing. He spent his summers on MSU's campus as an Upward Bound student and received all three of his degrees from Michigan State. A lifelong Spartan, Dr. Mireles has seen and experienced first-hand the power, tenacity, and love of the Xicanada. His recently published book, *Insurgent Aztlan – The Liberating Power of Cultural Resistance* was formulated on MSU's campus and his forthcoming documentary, *War of the Flea: Fight for Xicano Studies*, chronicles the events of the 1990s in the Lansing/East Lansing area that culminated in the creation of the Xicano/Latino Studies program. Dr. Mireles is excited to bring this story to the world. A key player in the events of the 1990 at Michigan State, Dr. Mireles is excited to bring the event of that time to life

Dr. Mireles lives in Prescott, AZ with his partner Jessica Kota (Ojibwa, Aamjiwnaang First Nations), and their daughter Leona (Xicana/Ojibwa). He is currently co-chair of the Social Justice Community Organizing Master's program at Prescott College and coordinator of the Frantz Fanon Community Strategy Center.

He believes in Aztlan.

Online Registration Required

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