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Updates from the Embassy of Colombia on Events in Washington, DC

February 15, 2017

## Embassy-Sponsored Events

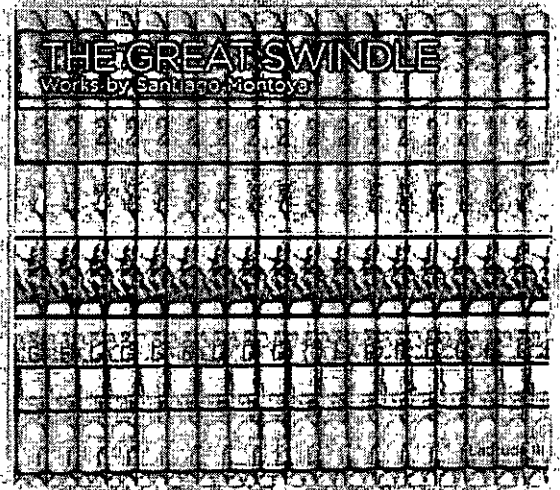
**Now – Sunday, March 26, 2017**  
**“The Great Swindle: Works by Santiago Montoya”**  
**@ Art Museum of the Americas**

The Organization of American States (OAS) AMA | Art Museum of the Americas in collaboration with the Halcyon Gallery, London present “The Great Swindle: Works by Santiago Montoya,” an exhibition curated by José Falconi as part of AMA’s temporary exhibitions program showcasing contemporary artists of OAS member countries.

Colombian artist Santiago Montoya uses paper currency as the base for his work, re-contextualizing one of our most basic and intimate relationships: the relationship with money. Comprised of works that Montoya has made over the last 10 years, “The Great Swindle” exhibition at the OAS AMA | Art Museum of the Americas represents a sustained examination of the complicated, fluid relationships we have with financial systems. “The Great Swindle” is also a journey through the artist’s forays into the materiality of paper bills – raising questions and taking positions on our places within financial systems.

This exhibition is presented in partnership with the Embassy of Colombia.

For more information, click [here](#).

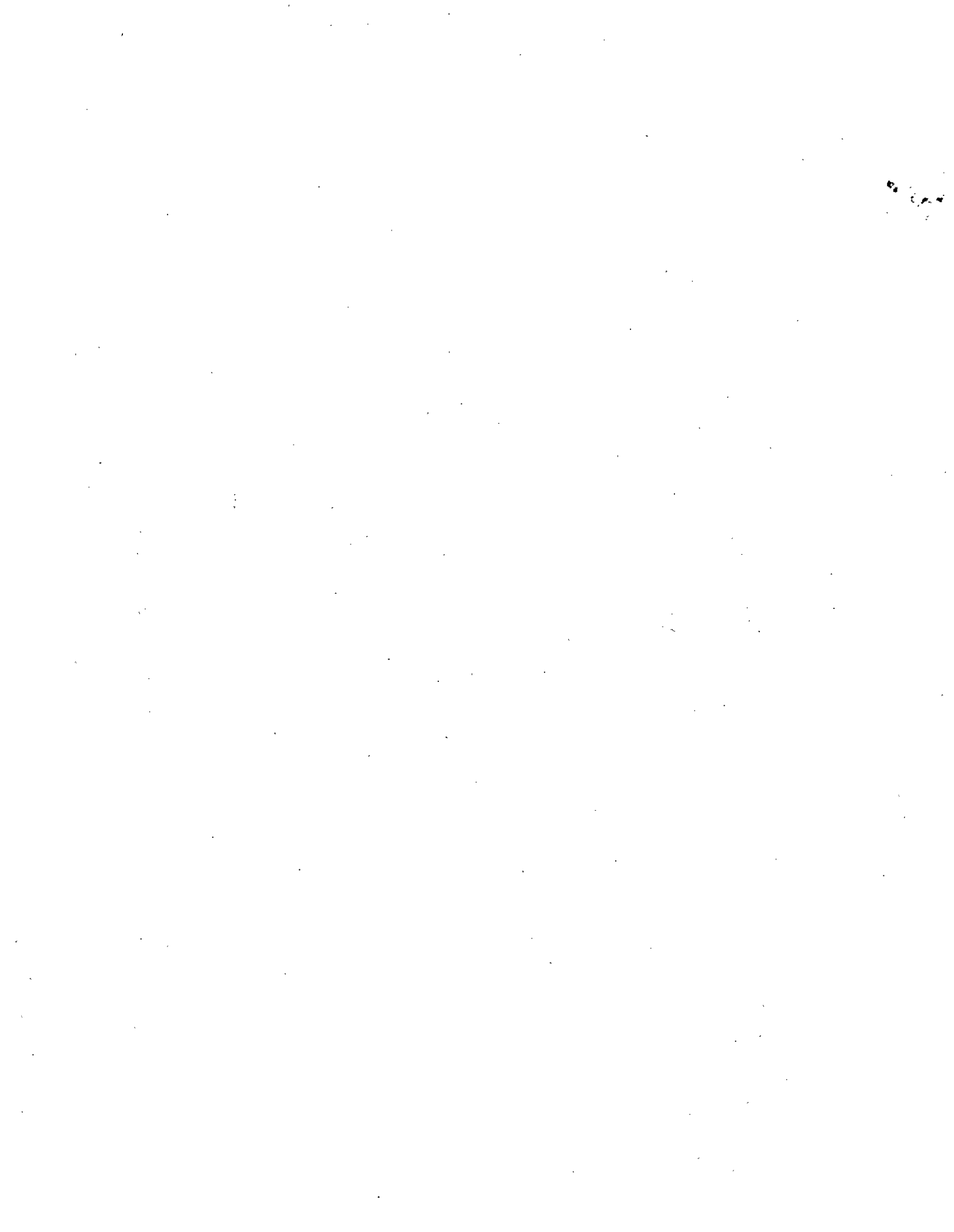


## Events Around Town

**Saturday, March 18, 2017**  
**“MALUMA World Tour 2017”**  
**@ EagleBank Arena**

Jose Luis Londoño, better known by his stage name “MALUMA,” is one of the most important Colombian singers of our time. Maluma was born in the city of Medellín, Colombia, and despite his young age, he was awarded Colombian Artist of the Year at the MTV Millennial Awards in



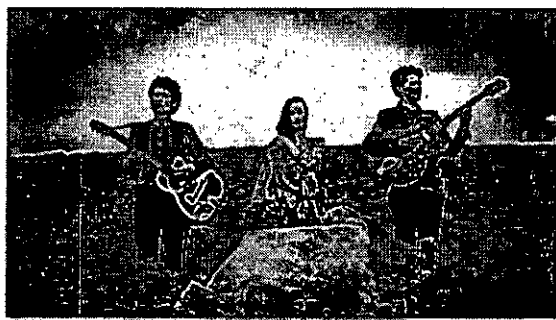


2014 and was nominated by the Latin American Music Awards for Best New Artist of the Year and Best Urban Song. He is considered one of the most influential artists in Colombian and Latin American reggaeton music, and his 2017 World Tour is highly anticipated. The concert will be held in the EagleBank Arena (formerly the Patriot Center) located in Fairfax, Virginia. Doors will open at 6:00 pm, and the concert will start at 8:00 pm.

For more information, click [here](#).

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**Thursday, March 23, 2017**  
**Monsieur Periné Concert**  
**@ The Howard Theatre**



One of the leading bands on Colombia's new music scene, Monsieur Periné won the Latin Grammy Award for Best New Artist and earned a Grammy Award nomination for their most recent album, "Caja de Música." Rooted in gypsy jazz and celebrating the tradition of Django Reinhardt, Monsieur Periné's fresh style adds a variety of Latin elements to the mix. Incorporating genres like cumbia, son, bolero, tango and samba, the band performs on traditional South American instruments from the charango to the bandoneon and Latin percussion.

Doors will open at 6:00 pm, and the concert will start at 8:00 pm. Local Colombian group, los Gaiteros de SanGuashington, will open the concert.

For more information, click [here](#).

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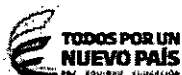
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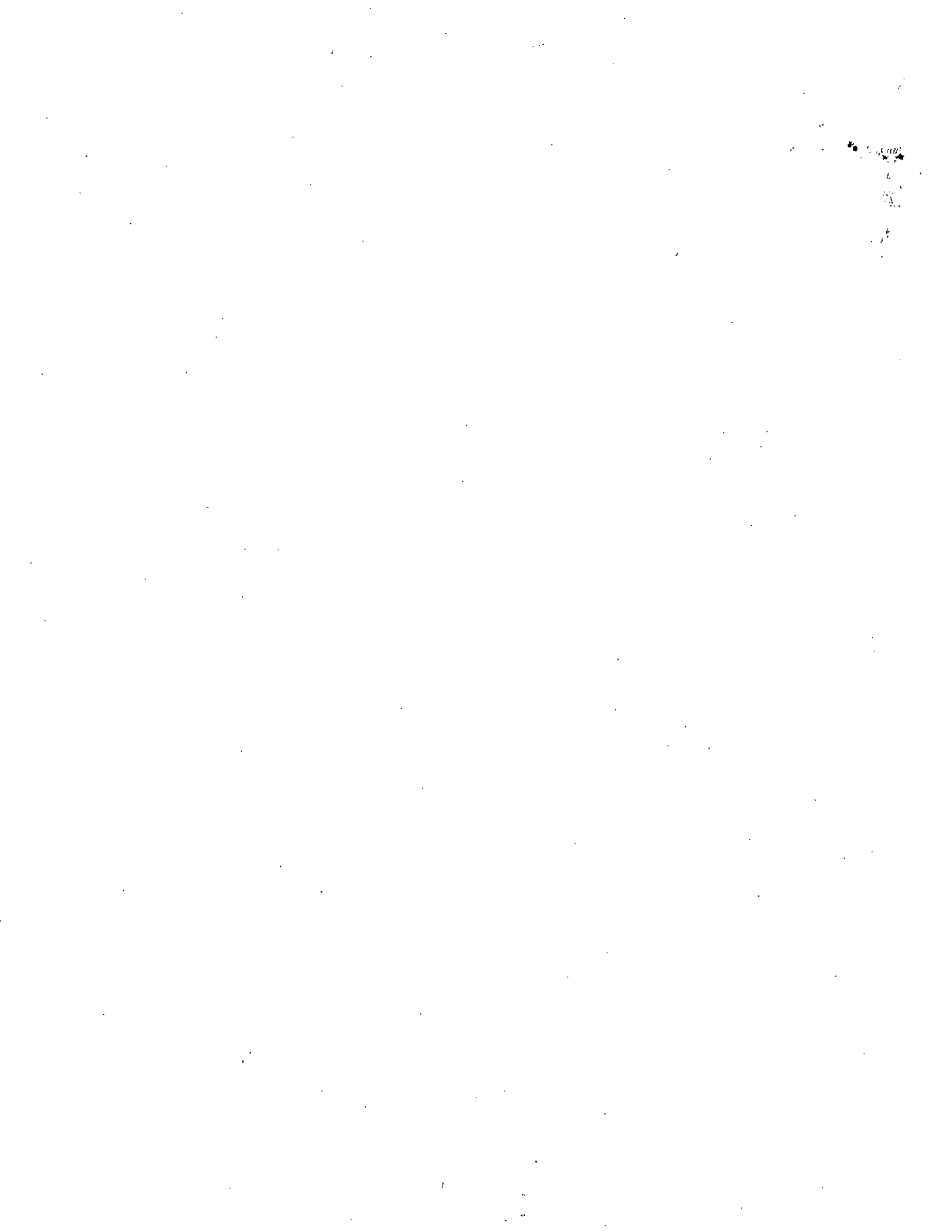


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# COLOMBIA TODAY

A Weekly Update from the Embassy of Colombia

February 14, 2017

## President Santos Speaks with President Trump and Vice President Pence

Last Friday and Saturday, Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos spoke with U.S. Vice President Mike Pence and President Donald Trump, respectively.

Here's the White House readout of both calls:

***"President Donald J. Trump spoke with President Juan Manuel Santos of Colombia over the weekend to underscore the importance of continuing the long history of cooperation with Colombia, one of our strongest allies in the Western Hemisphere. President Trump reiterated the value the United States places on the relationship, and both Presidents discussed U.S. support for Colombia's effort to create a just and lasting peace in its 52-year conflict with the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC). ... [T]he leaders discussed the importance of promoting respect for democratic institutions and norms throughout the Western Hemisphere. The two leaders look forward to meeting each other in the future."*** See the full statement [here](#).

***"Vice President Mike Pence spoke by telephone today with President Juan Manuel Santos of Colombia. The two leaders discussed the important bilateral relationship between the United States and Colombia that has existed for many years, and they pledged to maintain and deepen their cooperation on security issues. The Vice President congratulated President Santos for the initial steps in implementing the Colombian peace accord. The two leaders vowed to remain in close communication on bilateral and regional priorities."*** See the full statement [here](#).

Vice President Pence also tweeted the following:



Vice President Pence

@VP

Following

Called Colombian President @JuanManSantos today. Pledged cooperation on security & congratulated on initial steps implementing peace accord.

RETWEETS  
1,625

LIKES  
7,717



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## Ambassador Pinzón Visits the Mile-High City

Colombian Ambassador to the United States Juan Carlos Pinzón visited Denver last Thursday and Friday. During his two-day visit, the Ambassador met with local business leaders and policymakers on ways to expand the Colombia-Colorado partnership. On Thursday, the Ambassador sat down with Colorado Governor John Hickenlooper and visited the National Renewable Energy Laboratory. On Friday, he met with Denver Mayor Michael Hancock and business leaders from Ball Corporation, DaVita and Liberty Global.

Following the visit, Ambassador Pinzón said:

***"The U.S.-Colombia partnership led to Colombia's remarkable turnaround from the brink of becoming a failed state to the most dynamic economy in Latin America. The partnership created the pathway to peace and laid the foundation for Colombia to be an even stronger ally and economic partner to the United States. My visit confirmed that working together there is so much more our two nations can achieve to benefit businesses, families and workers from Denver to Bogotá."***

Read more about the visit in *The Denver Post* – and here are additional highlights in tweets:

 Ambassador Pinzón @ColAmbPinzon · Feb 10  
At @BallCorpHQ, met w/CEO John Hayes to learn more about the business, from packaging to aerospace, & opportunities in Colombia #COLinDenver



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 Ambassador Pinzón @ColAmbPinzon · Feb 9  
GovofCO @hickforco considers what has happened in the last decade in Colombia is a source of inspiration



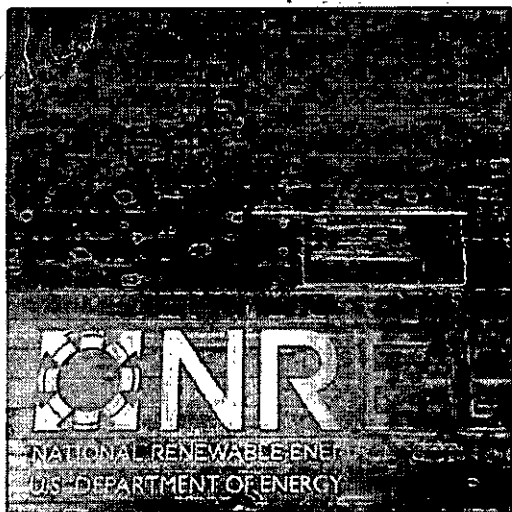
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Ambassador Pinzon @ColAmbPinzon · Feb 9  
Had a chance to visit @NREL this afternoon and saw renewable energy innovation & technology at work #COLinDenver



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Ambassador Pinzon @ColAmbPinzon · Feb 10  
Participated in a business roundtable at @libertyglobal, largest global TV & broadband company, on expanding US-COL economic ties. @BCIU



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Ambassador Pinzon @ColAmbPinzon · Feb 10  
.@MayorHancock, thank you for the warm welcome. I look forward to working together to expand the Colombia-Denver partnership #COLinDenver



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Ambassador Pinzon @ColAmbPinzon · Feb 10  
Visiting w/our Colombian community here in Denver filled me with pride – a highlight of my trip #COLinDenver



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## Embassy Teams with Google to Host Policy Forum on Innovation in South America

Ambassador Pinzón hosted a policy forum last Wednesday on "South America: Investing in Innovation." The event, presented by Google and produced by CRAFT, brought together leaders in technology and innovation policy, including Diego Molano, former Colombian Minister of Information and Communication Technologies; Jose Miguel Sokoloff, Global President of Mullenlowe Group's Creative Council; David Weller, Head of Global Trade Policy at Google; and Ashley Friedman, Director of Global Policy at ITI.

See more at [#ExperienceColombiaTech](#).



Ambassador Pinzón @ColAmbPinzon · Feb 8

Great event w/@Google on tech and innovation in South America and Colombia's role in driving further advances



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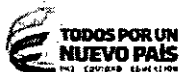
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