

CHAYTTO CHAMPION

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My wonderful blessing was to be born into a family of flamenco artists my father was a flamenco guitarist and my mother a flamenco dancer. I don't remember when and how I learned to sing flamenco, I just did. It was like walking or talking, a way of life, an art form handed down to me. Nurtured and securely imbedded in my soul. I was born and raised in San Antonio, to my advantage, because I lived in walking distance to the Spanish Missions, my whole life. This inspired my cante song of flamenco in a tremendous way. I was the child star since the age of six for the Arneson River Theatres, "Fiesta Noche del Rio". I performed alongside professionals such as, Rosita Fernandez, Paula Lizondo, and Felipe de la Rosa, they were my life and stage mentors during my adolescent years. My flamenco roots came from my father who passed all his knowledge of the art of flamenco song to me. The rest of my musical supplementation came from listening to flamenco lp's, and cassettes, also Spanish motion pictures. My greatest rewards from my dedication and passion are to have travelled the world extensively. Those travels have allowed me the privilege to work with highly regarded artists like, Jose Greco, Teo Morca, Pilar Riojas, just to name a few, but the Ultimate reward has to have been the honor of working alongside my family. Since I've have sang professionally from the age of six, my deep roots in the flamenco art compel me to keep passing on this art form to our youth, in the hopes of keeping this art form alive. Stage performances serve as a method of sharing and growing with the community youth in hopes of inspiring potential flamenco artists. This is the reason that I do not give up as a performing artist. The legacy of flamenco was given to me by my father and mother, it is my sincere goal to keep it alive through, performances, educational classes and community/cultural awareness. This will ensure that the art form called flamenco can continue for generations to come.

Flamenco Tablado/Club (singer at)

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| La Dona | San Antonio TX | 08/2015-present |
| Espana Tapas Bar | San Antonio TX | 1998 -present |
| Azucar Restaurant | San Antonio TX | 2003 -2006 |
| Malaga Restaurante | Austin TX | 2010 -2014 |
| Le Blue | Louiseville KY | 2008 -2011 |
| Café Malaga | Dallas TX | 2013 -2015 |
| Turkish Café | Dallas TX | 2013 -2015 |
| Sangria | Dallas TX | 2013 -2015 |
| Mesa | Oakcliff TX | 2013 -2015 |

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| Pepin | Phoenix AZ | 1991 | -1999 |
| Tapas Papa Frita | Phoenix AZ | 1993 | -1999 |

Theater (singer/performed at)

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| Lincoln Center | New York NY | 2005 | -2006 |
| Repertorio Espanol | New York NY | 1999 | -2003 |
| Thalia Theater | New York NY | 2001 | -2013 |
| Josephine Theater | San Antonio TX | 2013 | |
| Bellas Artes Theatre | Mexico D.F. MX | 1999 | |
| Bellas Artes Theater | S.M. de Allende MX | 2001 | -2003 |
| Lila Cockrol Theater | San Antonio TX | 2006-2007-2015 | |
| Tobin Theatre | San Antonio TX | 2014 | |
| Empire Theater | San Antonio TX | 2002 | |
| Aztec Theater | San Antonio TX | 2015 | |
| Jump Start Theater | San Antonio TX | 2002 | -2010 |
| Carver Theater | San Antonio TX | 2014, 2015 | |
| Guadalupe Theater | San Antonio TX | 2010 | -present |
| Cameo Theater | San Antonio TX | 2012 | |
| Majestic Theater | San Antonio TX | 1981 | |
| Joyce Theater | New York NY | 2004 | |
| Bellas Artes Theater | San Juan PR | 2004 | |
| Oprpheum Theatre | Phoenix AZ | 1998 | |
| Scottsdale CPA Theater | Scottsdale AZ | 1996 | |
| Mesa CPA Theater | Mesa AZ | 2008 | |

Dance Companies (lead singer for, and or toured with)

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| Danza Activa Co. | Puerto Rico | Andrea del Conte | New York NY |
| Pilar Rioja | New York NY | Danzas Espanolas | New York NY |
| Teo Morca Co. | San Juan Costa Rica | Flamncura | Austin TX |

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| Pascual Olivares | Chicago IL | Arte y Pasion | San Antonio TX |
| Carlota Santana | New York NY&NC | John Lawrence | New Orleans LA |
| Flamenco Louisville | Louisville KY | Flamenco p l Vida | Phoenix AZ |
| Flamenco d p Viejo | Tucson AZ | Lydia Torea Co. | Phoenix AZ |
| Laura Moya Co. | Phoenix AZ | Guadalupe Dance Co | San Antonio TX |
| Conte del Hoyo | Dallas TX | | |

Festivals (singer/performed at)

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| Fiesta fin de Verano/San Diego CA | 2014,2015s |
| Noche de la Gloria/San Antonio TX | 2011-2015 |
| Luminaria/San Antonio TX | 2008-2010 |
| Flamenco Fest/San Antonio TX | 2012-2015 |
| World Festival/Nashville TN | 2007-2008 |
| Jazz Festival/New Orleans LA | 2007-2008 |

Museums (singer/performed at)

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| San Antonio Arts Museum/San Antonio TX | 2012 |
| Wittey Museum/San Antonio TX | 2013 |
| Dallas Museum of Arts/San Antonio TX | 2000 |
| Detroit Institute of Arts/Detroit MI | 2010 |

Public Figures (Opening Act for/Sang for)

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| <u>Ricky Martin/Pop Star</u> - Colombo Sri Lanka | <u>Juan Carlos/Prince of Spain</u> -Dallas TX |
| <u>Jimmy Carter/US President</u> -San Antonio TX | <u>LBJohnson/US President</u> -Austin TX |
| <u>Mahinda Rajapaksa/Prime Minister</u> -Sri Lanka | <u>Jacques Chirac/Prime Minister</u> -Paris FR |

