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San José State University (SJSU) is the West's first public university, with a diverse population that supplies more talent to the Silicon Valley economy than any other university. SJSU has a rich legacy for responsible, principled activism and alumni who have influenced the global human rights movement.

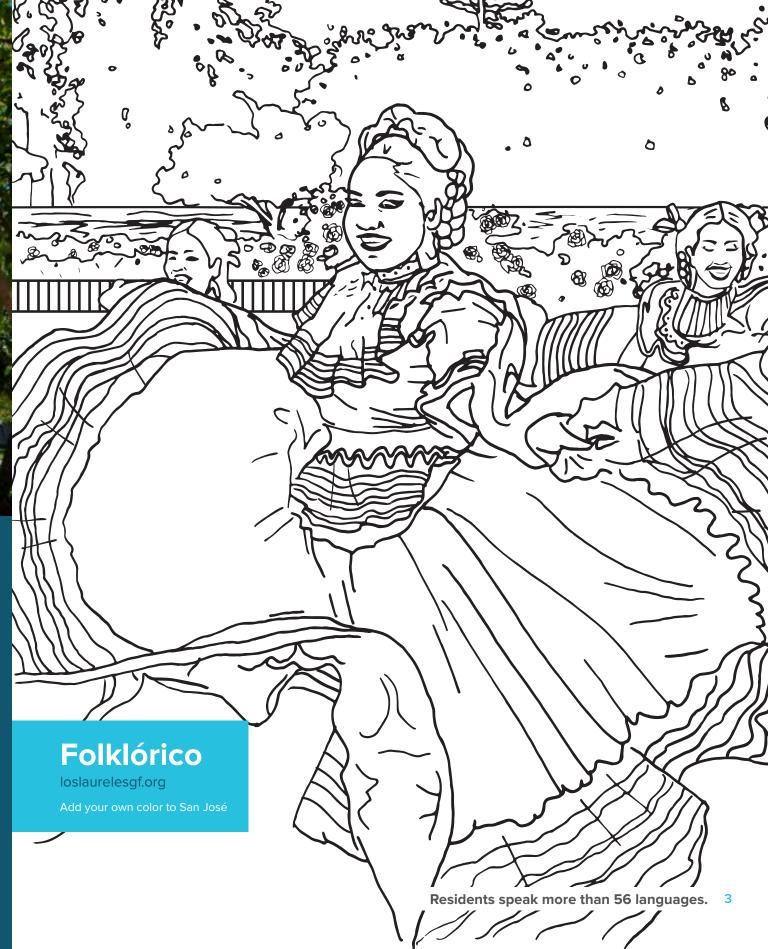
Its alumni include noted sociologist Dr. Harry Edwards, who established the Olympic Project for Human Rights, and track stars Tommie Smith and John Carlos, whose medal stand protest at the 1968 Mexico City Summer Olympic Games is commemorated by a sculpture in the center of the downtown campus.

SJSU recently launched an Institute for the Study of Sport, Society and Social Change, to serve as a center for education, research and public service in the realm of sports and activism.



"San José State University has historically been at the forefront of social justice issues, and there is no better place for that work to be undertaken, and no better time for us to begin than right now."

Dr. Harry Edwards, **San Jose State University Alumnus** 





Originally called the Novitiate Winery, Testarossa is California's fourth oldest continuously operating winery. Like all great Silicon Valley start-ups, current owners Rob and Diana Jensen started Testarossa Winery in their garage in 1993 with just 25 cases of wine. Both left their tech careers to start the winery that today produces 30,000 cases of California's most highly acclaimed Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. Both Wine Spectator and Robert Parker have given scores of 90 or higher to multiple Testarossa wines.



"What I love about Silicon Valley is the creative and entrepreneurial spirit. It is very exciting to be in the front row seat of all the innovation. I feel very connected to these companies through the passion of our visitors to the winery, many of whom work for these trend-setting companies. The potential of the valley seems limitless with all of the talented people across many industries."

Bill Brosseau, **Director of Winemaking at Testarossa Winery** 



seasonal ingredients for each dish. It is family-owned and operated by long-time San Jose residents Carlos and Fernanda Carreira, Their daughter, San Jose native Chef Jessica Carreira, and her fiancé, Chef David Costa, have worked at Michelin starred restaurants in Lisbon, Portugal. ADEGA is only the second Portuguese restaurant in the country to be honored with a Michelin star and they have ambitious plans for the future.

ADEGA plans to expand within San Jose by opening a new restaurant serving different styles of Portuguese food with their signature dining experience. They are planning to host restaurant-takeovers and invite Michelin starred chefs from around the world to provide their quests with a range of new flavors.

## **CALDO VERDE**

(Portuguese Potato Soup)

Serves 4 people

## Ingredients

- 1 lb. of Potatoes
- 1 large Onion
- 2 Garlic cloves
- 1/4 lb. of Leeks
- 1 Chorizo link
- 2 tablespoons of Extra Virgin Olive Oil
- 1/4 lb. of Collard Greens

- 1. Place the onion, garlic and leeks in a pot with the extra virgin olive oil at medium heat until everything is golden brown.
- 2. Add the chorizo and the potatoes (cut into one inch pieces), cover with water and let boil until the potatoes are cooked.
- 3. Remove the chorizo link and blend everything into a creamy consistency.
- 4. Cut the collard greens in a chiffonade and cook in boiling water until tender.
- 5. Cut the chorizo link into thin slices and add along with the cooked collard greens into the creamy soup.

Serve hot and enjoy!

The Santa Cruz Mountain Wine Region was noted by 4 Wine Spectator as the "most underappreciated appellation in the world."





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San Jose named 3rd best place to live in America.

January 2017, US News & World Report

San Jose ranks as 3rd most educated city in America. July 2016, Forbes

San Jose named the weirdest city in America.

San Jose named America's most future-ready city. April 2016, Dell

San Jose named the Richest City in America.

November 2016, Bloomberg



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