*Calavera* is Spanish for "skull" and refers to many traditional decorative artifacts used to celebrate the Mexican holiday, Day of the Dead.





★ Calaveras de azúcar are sugar skulls used for both decorating altars and eating as sweets.





★ **Calaveras** are humorous poems composed to celebrate the Day of the Dead that criticize the hypocrisy of the living.

★ C**alavera** also refers to any artistic interpretation of skulls, such as the famous <u>lithographs</u> of Mexican artist José Guadalupe Posada.

