

JARANA

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DISCOVER LINDA RONSTADT

In 1987, Linda Ronstadt began her exploration into a new kind of sound, leaning into her Mexican heritage and the songs she heard as a child from her father. The *jarana*, an eight-stringed, guitar-shaped instrument from Mexico, is one of the instruments that inspired her.

The *jarana* is often used as a rhythm instrument and comes in three versions, the *jarana huasteca*, the *jarana jarocho*, and the *jarana yucateca*, each specific to the region it originates in. Los Lobos, a country-rock band from Los Angeles, also uses the instrument. See a *jarana*, which was custom built for a member of Los Lobos, on display in the exhibit *Western Edge: The Roots and Reverberations of Los Angeles Country-Rock*, presented by City National Bank.



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