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>>> Samson Projects opening; Codetta CD bash at "the Plan;" Davis Square Philosophy Café; *Hedwig and the Angry Inch*

>TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Nothing says autumn in New England like a mariachi band and a four-course, fiesta-inspired feast. Actually, it's the eve of Mexican Independence Day, and **Anthem** (138 Portland Street, Boston) is throwing a **Latin dinner party**. Chef **Robert Fathman** opens up the night with an Hora Feliz (happy hour) filled with music, laughter, and tasty tequila cocktails. Accompanying the live mariachi band are dinner, tequila tasting, and salsa lessons and dancing. Your ticket to this slice of Mexican paradise is \$65, not including tip or tax. Reservations are recommended; call (617) 523-8383.

>WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Never a band to settle for taking the easy road, the **Melvins** — yeah, those same Melvins who inspired Kurt Cobain to play punk rock two decades ago — are at it again. They've teamed up with twisted electronica auteur Lustmord for a CD called *Pigs of the Roman Empire*. Doesn't look like the mercurial Lustmord will be on board for this tour, which will land with a heavy thud at the **Middle East Downstairs** (472-480 Mass Ave, Cambridge) tonight. But the Melvins have plenty of other material to draw on, including a bunch of songs they recently recorded with former Dead Kennedys frontman Jello Biafra for a CD due out this fall. Also putting in their two rock chords tonight are

>FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

The kids over at **Samson Projects** (450 Harrison Avenue, Boston) first won our hearts by helping to infuse the Boston art scene with a hip, new edge. But the other night, at our fabulous soiree at Blackfin, we learned that they can also party like Vikings. Since then, we've been anxiously counting down the days to "**Notorious Impropriety**," the exhibit featured at tonight's opening bash for Samson's new location. It highlights work from artists **Derrick Adams, Jeremy Bailey, Iona Rozeal Brown, Luis Gispert, Deborah Grant, Alison Kuo, Sushila Love, Dell Milan, Navin June Norling, Asuka Ohsawa, Jacqueline Salloum, Jeff Sonhouse, and Nari Ward**. According to gallery co-owner Camilo, "This is a thematic show of subtleties — slightly improper, indecent, and offensive ... to some." Sounds like our kind of art show. The reception runs from 6 to 8; for more details on the exhibit's hours, check out [www.samsonprojects.com](http://www.samsonprojects.com). Coincidentally, tonight also marks the launch of this year's **South End Open Studios**, so plan on marching around town this weekend.