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This conference also celebrated the centennial of dancer, choreographer, and immigrant José Limón (1908–1972). "The Centennial Sessions" brought together leading Limón scholars and artists to reflect on the significance of Limón's contribution to the dance world as well as to explore the ways in which his experience as an immigrant shaped his life and work.

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