



Latinx Heritage Month Events

Latine Heritage Fiesta

Friday, Sept. 15 | 12-2 p.m.

Kingsmen Park

Join our annual Latine Heritage Fiesta and celebrate Latine Heritage through food, games, music and more. We'll kick the celebration off with a performance from up-and-coming band Weapons of Mass Creation, a group of Latine siblings and cousins who strengthen their family bond through their blend of bilingual soul, funk and hip-hop music. Performer Isis Avalos-Perez will lead a cumbia and salsa jam session at 1 p.m. Follow along to a class of traditional and contemporary cumbia and salsa rhythms and dance.

Sponsored by Student Life and the Center for Cultural Engagement and Inclusion.

"Leading with a Community Cultural Wealth Approach: Reclaiming Our Past, Reimagining Our Future" EDUCAL Annual Symposium

Keynote speaker Tara Yosso, PhD

Tuesday, Sept. 19 | 10-11:30 a.m.

Ullman 100/101

EDUCAL, a federal program designed to increase teaching pathways for Latina/o/x students, will host the 2023 EDUCAL Annual Symposium featuring keynote speaker Tara Yosso, PhD. She will discuss her community cultural wealth model, a paradigm shift in traditional thought about schooling structures, practices and discourse. The session will focus on how to foster a critical historical perspective of the communities we serve, drawing on the ingenuity and courage of those who have come before us in the struggle for justice so we can mobilize beyond the buzzwords of diversity, equity and inclusion to cultivate a community of praxis.

Sponsored by EDUCAL, Project CHESSE, the Graduate School of Education and the Office of Talent, Culture and Diversity.

Latinx Film and TV Summit and Panel

Tuesday, Sept. 19 | 6-7:30 p.m.

Preus-Brandt Forum

A moderated panel discussion and audience Q&A will feature Carlos López Estrada, director of the Oscar-nominated animated film *Raya and the Last Dragon*, as well as *Blindspotting* and *Summertime*; director Evelyn Belasco (*Henry Danger*, *Danger Force*, *Erin & Aaron*); and director Carmen Marrón (*Go for It!*, *Endgame*, *Queen Sugar*).

Sponsored by the Film and Television Department, Student Life, Ethnic and Race Studies, ESPHA Grant, Languages and Cultures and the Office of Talent, Culture and Diversity.

One County, One Book Faculty Panel *Solito*

Thursday, Sept. 21 | 7 p.m.

Lundring Events Center

As part of the Ventura County Library's 2023 One County, One Book community reading program, which this year features Javier Zamora's memoir *Solito*, Cal Lutheran faculty will discuss border crossings, family dynamics in El Salvador, the criminalization of immigration and the economic impact of immigrants in Ventura County.

Sponsored by the History Department and the Ventura County Library.

Humanizing Deportation/ Humanizando La Deportación

Robert Irwin, PhD

Tuesday, Sept. 26 | 6:30-8 p.m.

Lundring Events Center

Robert Irwin, PhD, of UC Davis will discuss his community-based digital storytelling project, Humanizing Deportation/Humanizando La Deportación, which documents the human consequences of contemporary regimes of migration and border control in the United States and Mexico.

Sponsored by the Sarah W. Heath Center for Equality and Justice and the nonprofit community organization Buen Vecino.

"Untold Legacies: Re-Envisioning Ventura County Through an Ethnic Studies Lens"

José M. Alamillo, PhD

Thursday, Oct. 5 | 12:15-2 p.m.

Swenson 101

CSU Channel Islands professor José M. Alamillo, PhD, will present hidden legacies of racialized communities in Ventura County through a lens that challenges Eurocentric romantic narratives of the past centered on Spanish missions and white pioneers. He will show how Mexican American female activists launched a legal fight to desegregate movie theaters in Ventura County, and highlight the multiethnic working-class neighborhood of Tortilla Flats that existed in downtown Ventura until the late 1950s, when the state of California condemned homes and businesses to build Highway 101.

Sponsored by the Office of Talent, Culture and Diversity, and Ethnic and Race Studies.

Ballet Folklórico Mestizo

Thursday, Oct. 5 | 7-9 p.m.

Preus-Brandt Forum

Ballet Folklórico Mestizo, in its 42nd year at Oxnard College, celebrates the culture and dance traditions of México. The dance troupe, led by Matilde Sanchez and featuring Oxnard College students, staff and alumni, performs dances from six states in México — Huasteca

Potosina, Michoacán, Veracruz, Sinaloa, Chiapas and Jalisco — with historical introductions.

Sponsored by the Artists and Speakers Committee.

Latinx Alumni Alliance and Community Mixer

Friday, Oct. 6 | 6-8 p.m.

SBET Patio Area (outside Overton Hall)

The Latinx Alumni Alliance invites the community to learn about its network and efforts to support alumni, students, faculty and staff. Light appetizers and refreshments will be served and alumni will receive two free raffle tickets and a gift bag. For more information, please email alumni@CalLutheran.edu.

Sponsored by the Office of Talent, Culture and Diversity, Latinx Alumni Alliance and Alumni, Family and Community Relations.

Maya Cosmovision

Monday, Oct. 9 | 5-6:30 p.m.

Zoom

This virtual engagement will provide a unique opportunity to explore the Maya-K'iche' Cosmovision and its symbolic fire ceremony meanings with Audelino Sac Coyoy, a K'iche' daykeeper and political science professor at the Universidad Rafael Landívar Campus de Quetzaltenango in Guatemala. Participate in this educational and empowering journey into Maya history, philosophy, art, literature, music, dance and more. To register, visit bit.ly/mayacosmos.

Latinx Heritage Month Lecture Lunch

Thursday, Oct. 12 | 12:30-2 p.m.

Lundring Events Center

The Office of Campus Ministry will host a special luncheon and lecture to create a sacred space of belonging. A speaker will inform, guide and lead participants in real-world learning opportunities, with a goal of making surprising friendships and building Beloved Community. Lunch will be served.

ASCENSO Hispanic Fellowship Poster Presentations

Friday, Oct. 13 | 2-4 p.m.

Ullman 100/101

This event will celebrate the ASCENSO (Access, Success, Community, Equity, Network-building, Support and Opportunity) program's second cohort of undergraduate fellows. After completing an eight-week program with Cal Lutheran's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Justice (DEIJ) and Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) department, the students will present their projects, experiences and growing knowledge of DEIJ. Light appetizers and refreshments will be served.

This program is made possible by an Amgen Foundation grant and the Office of Talent, Culture and Diversity.

"What Does It Mean to Be a Hispanic-Serving Institution at Cal Lutheran?"

Tuesday, Oct. 17 | 12-1:30 p.m.

Ullman 100/101

The Office of Talent, Culture and Diversity, in partnership with CHESSE, EDUCAL and Cal Lutheran's HSI Leadership Team, will host an educational lunch to explore how a Hispanic-Serving Institution like Cal Lutheran is more than a Hispanic-enrolling one.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) Conference

Saturday to Monday, Oct. 28-30

Chicago, Illinois

The Office of Talent, Culture and Diversity will sponsor the participation of select students and faculty members in the HACU's 37th annual conference in Chicago. The HACU, founded in 1986, represents more than 500 colleges and universities in the United States, Latin America, Spain and school districts throughout the U.S., and is the only national association representing existing and emerging Hispanic-Serving Institutions. The conference provides a forum for sharing information and ideas about best practices in the education of Latinx students.

Sponsored by the Office of Talent Culture and Diversity and the ASCENSO Hispanic Fellowship Program, which is made possible by an AMGEN Foundation grant.

Día de los Muertos Social Justice Altars

Wednesday to Monday, Nov. 1-6 | All day

Student Union, first floor

View a display of Día de los Muertos altars with social justice themes created by student groups, cultural clubs, classes and others.

Sponsored by the Sarah W. Heath Center for Equality and Justice.

Latinx Heritage Month takes place from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 every year to recognize and celebrate the many contributions, diverse cultures and extensive histories of the Latinx communities in the United States. In September, we also celebrate National HSI Week to celebrate and build awareness of the work and the important role HSIs play in improving access to education and advancing equity practices for underserved students.