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LATINO HERITAGE MONTH 2008



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Latino Heritage Month 2008

Welcome to Fall Quarter 2008!

The month of October is filled with exciting and interactive events. In October, the Multicultural Center celebrates Latino Heritage Month. There will be movies, discussions, games, and spoken word poetry performances all relating to the rich Latino culture. We hope you'll come to one or more of the events.

Question of the Day (QOTD)

Questions covering various topics concerning recent issues facing Latin America will be posted every Monday in the MultiCultural Center. You will be able to discuss your thoughts about the question on the following Thursday.

Thursdays, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., University Union Room 217

Film: "Di Perjil"

Di Perejil (Say Parsley) is a film about the invisible children on the Haiti/Dominican Republic border and the peoples fight for basic human rights.

Tuesday, October 7, 7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m., University Union Room 216

Tamales y Tele Movie Night: "Chicano - Fighting for Political Power"

This film discusses the creation of La Raza Unida Party as a third party force for political power and the importance of political rights. It culminates in the 1972 election and the Raza Unida convention, and the fragmentation of the party at the height of its membership and recognition.

Wednesday, October 8, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., University Union Room 221

Loteria (a.k.a. Mexican BINGO)

Loteria is a Mexican game of chance, similar to Bingo, that uses images on a deck of cards instead of plain numbers on ping pong balls. You will be introduced to the history and meaning behind Loteria and have an opportunity to win awesome prizes.

Tuesday, October 14, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., University Union Room 208

Night in El Salvador

Students will learn about the current issues going on in El Salvador as well as its culture, traditions, history, and music. The evening will include Salvadorian music and food; a panel of Salvadorian students that will share their own experiences growing up in El Salvador. Hosted by Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Inc.

Thursday, October 16, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., University Union Room 221

RAZA Speaks

Students and families have the opportunity for to hear incredible poetry and stories from Latinos and Native Americans. Dr. Gloria Velasquez will co-host RAZA Speaks with the MultiCultural Center.

Saturday, October 18, 7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m., Steynberg Gallery, 1531 Monterey Street, San Luis Obispo. 805.547.0278

Pin the Name on the Country

Pin the name on the Country gives students a chance to test how many of the Latin American countries they know by matching the name of the country to its geographical position. Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

Tuesday, October 28, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., University Union Room 217

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Culturefest 2008

Cal Poly's MultiCultural Center will host the 11th Annual Culturefest on Sunday, October 26, 2008, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Mitchell Park, in San Luis Obispo. More than 25 cultural organizations will showcase their rich heritages with booths and displays. This year's theme is "USS Culturefest: Sea of Diversity." Visitors will enjoy music, dance, hands-on activities, entertainment/performances, and food. The goal of Culturefest is to spread cultural awareness and promote cultural appreciation in San Luis Obispo County.

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Culturefest is not only a public celebration of "differences," but also an acknowledgement of shared elements of the human condition—where the variety of food, dance, song, and language reflect and model all people's desire for a sense of community amidst life's joys and sorrows.



poetry is...

contagious.

Cyn Da' Poet at ATOG

Musician, author, poet...

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DIVERSITY; I WANT TO BUILD
COMMUNICATION BRIDGES;
WE CAN BE STRONGER IF WE
UNITE; LISTEN... I SIMPLY
WANT TO LEARN FROM YOU AND..
INSPIRE ONE PERSON.. YOU."

Cyn Da' Poet knows she has found her calling. Born in El Salvador, Cyn and her family moved to Los Angeles when she was only one year old. Growing up in the LA area allowed her to surround herself with a diverse culture and community which helped nurture her natural talent as a writer and artist. She continues to develop as a spoken word artist, reaching out to people with poems that relate to issues many can connect to. She is currently working on her first book, and is experimenting with incorporating music into her poems in hopes of developing a new genre. Cyn hopes to become the voice for those who have silenced their own, and there is no doubt that with the capacity of her words she will not only alleviate hearts, but also conquer them along the way.

Another Type of Groove is a spoken word poetry event held the first Wednesday of each month throughout the school year and is intended to create open space for the interchange of ideas, beliefs, and personal expression. Each event features a highlighted poet as well as an open mic opportunity for interested students, faculty, and community members.

Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2008
7:30 to 10:00 p.m.
Chumash Auditorium



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Any questions Please call 805-756-1405 or visit our website at
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2008

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Featuring...

Music by the

Damon Castillo Band

- * Entertainment
- * Performances
- * Food and more!!!

For children

- * Hands-on activities
- * Balloons
- * Games

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MULTICULTURAL CENTER



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on the corner of Osos St. and Pismo St.
in San Luis Obispo



USS Culturefest
A Sea of Diversity

Questions

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