

# Hispanic Heritage Month 2006

## Statewide Calendar of Events



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Saludos!

The Michigan Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs extends a warm invitation to the people of the state of Michigan to celebrate and participate in the 2006 Hispanic Heritage Month activities. Enclosed is the Statewide Schedule of Events in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, September 15 - October 15.

Hispanics have played an important role in the development of our state's rich cultural heritage. Therefore, the Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs continues to ensure that the contributions of Hispanics are recognized. We encourage Michigan's Hispanic community to take pride in their cultural heritage and to share their culture with the people of Michigan.

Cities throughout the state have planned events to commemorate Hispanic Heritage Month. We are confident that all those who participate will find a great wealth of accomplishments, dreams, skills, diversity and friendship at these events.

Have a great Hispanic Heritage Month!

Sinceramente,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "José Reyna".

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## **What Can I Do to Commemorate The Contributions of U.S. Hispanics?**

In addition to participating in the planned statewide and local activities, what you do to commemorate the contributions of U.S. Hispanics depends on who you are and what you enjoy most. Following are suggestions from **A-Z** for individuals and groups.

**A**ttend a lecture, workshop, luncheon, or brown bag discussion about Hispanic Heritage.

**B**ooks - Read a book by or about a Hispanic. Organize a Hispanic Reading Day. Donate a book to your local library. Invite a Hispanic author to a book signing.

**C**ontact the Michigan Educational Association and ask for a copy of their Annual Hispanic Heritage Month publication.

**D**atabase - Create and maintain a database of contributions of U.S. Hispanics, and a database of Hispanics in your community.

**E**arn a badge of honor relating to Hispanic Heritage. Or design one for youth to earn.

**F**lag raising or parade of flags - Attend one or organize one with your group.

**G**roups -If you are a Hispanic group, invite a non-Hispanic group to a meeting. If you are a non-Hispanic group, invite a Hispanic group to a meeting. (For example: business groups, senior citizens groups, youth groups.)

**H**ighlight Hispanics and their contributions on a calendar for September to October. Distribute at group meetings.

**I**nternships and scholarships - Establish and offer them to local Hispanics.

**J**og around the neighborhood and see if any of the historical landmarks commemorate contributions of Hispanics.

**K**nead some tortillas or a masa for pasteles. If you do not know what they are, do some research and find out.

**L**ook up local Hispanic artists, musicians, dancers. Hire them to entertain the public at your establishment.

**M**agazines - Subscribe to a Hispanic magazine such as *Hispanic* (800-338-2590), *Latina Style* (800) 651-8083, or *Hispanic Link* (202-234-0280).

**N**ewspapers - Write or publish newspaper articles highlighting past and current Hispanics. Offer a writing contest on "What does it mean to be a leader?" or

“Hispanic Contributions in the United States.” Sponsor newspapers for a classroom to read about Hispanic countries.

**O**rganize a talent show, a fashion show, or a bilingual poetry reading.

**P**otluck with Hispanic food. Design menus to commemorate Hispanic Heritage Month at your school or organization.

**Q**uiz competition - Be an organizer or be a participant.

**R**e-enactment or play - Write, direct, act in, sponsor or attend.

**S**panish - Learn to sing a song in Spanish. Learn one new Spanish word each day of Hispanic Heritage Month.

**T**able decorations - Design, make, or donate placemats, informative table tents, or little table decorations to schools, hospitals or nursing homes.

**U**niversities - Host a Hispanic College Fair. Organize a Hispanic student and alumni reception. Create a library display with photographs, names, and a selective bibliography of Hispanic faculty.

**V**ideo - Rent and watch one by or about Hispanics.

**W**ord matches or crossword puzzles - create with Spanish words useful to your organization or with English words to quiz others on contributions of Hispanics in the U.S.

**X, Y, Z** - Be creative and make up your own ways to commemorate. Share your ideas.

## 2006 Hispanic Heritage Month

### ◇ *Statewide Schedule of Events* ◇

<b>Date</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Sponsor/Contact</b>
September 1-3	Holland	Centennial Park Knollen Park, Park Theater, Knickerbocker Theater	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Annual Tulipanes Latino Art &amp; Film Festival</b> Art Auction benefit, opening ceremonies, outdoor films, live music, food booths, art, music, faith and worship celebration, award ceremonies, workshops and much more! <a href="http://www.tlaff.org/schedule.html">www.tlaff.org/schedule.html</a>	Times vary	Tulipanes Contact: For more information (616) 405-9249
September 6-7	Detroit	Marriott Renaissance Center	<b>Hispanic Business Alliance (HBA) Expo &amp; Economic Summit</b> The 2006 HBA Expo provides a great opportunity for business owners to network with buyers from Fortune 500 companies, decision-makers in the public sector and entrepreneurs from all walks of life. This premier Hispanic business showcase will help broaden awareness for your business and serve as a resource. <a href="http://www.hbaexpo.org/welcome.asp">http://www.hbaexpo.org/welcome.asp</a>	Sept. 6: 6:00-9:00pm Sept. 7: 9:00am-4:00pm	Hispanic Business Alliance Expo & Economic Summit Contact: (248) 347-3659
September 7	Big Rapids	Ferris State University	<b>Get Acquainted Day</b> Capoeira presentation	6:00-9:00pm	Ferris State University Contact: Luzia Tartari at (231) 591-2100
September 9	Lansing	Cristo Rey Community Center, 1717 N. High Street	<b>Mobile Consulate Office</b> Passports and Matriculas Consular Services	8:00am – 2:00pm	Cristo Rey Community Center & Mexican Consulate's Office Contact: John Roy Castillo at (517) 372-4700
September 9	Riga	Riga Fire Hall	<b>Honketown Reunion</b> Dinner, music and dance	Dinner: 5:00pm Music/Dance: 7:00-11:00pm	Contact: Maya Mireles at (517) 260-2071
September 11	Lenawee County	All Churches	<b>Day of Prayer for Peace</b> In remembrance of the 9/11 tragedy	Call Church for times	Contact: Durstyne Farnan at (517) 266-3534

September 11	Adrian	Adrian City Hall	<b>Day of Harmony and Peace – “Commemorating the Centennial of Gandhi’s Nonviolence Movement”</b>	12:15-12:45pm	Contact: Durstynne Farnan at (517) 266-3534
September 13	Kalamazoo	Western Michigan University, Bernhard Center, Bronco Hall	<b>Mariachi 2000</b>	12:00 noon	Western Michigan University, Division of Multicultural Affairs Contact: Mike Ramirez at (269) 387-3329
September 14	Wyoming	Knights of Columbus Hall, 5830 Clyde Park Avenue	<b>Hispanic Honors Awards</b> The ceremony will include video presentation, award presentations, buffet and cash bar.	6:30-9:30pm	Hispanic Center of Western MI, Fifth Third Bank, WGUV Public Television Contact: Sarah Kwiatkowski (616) 742-0200 x25
September 14	Big Rapids	Ferris State University, Residence Hall	<b>Piñata Painting Party</b>	7:00pm	Ferris State University Contact: Luzia Tartari at (231) 591-2100
September 14-15-16	Saginaw	Dow Event Center, 303 Johnson Street	<b>Mexican National Hockey Team</b> The Ontario Hockey League’s Saginaw Spirit and Plymouth Whaler’s Hockey Club will make history as it plays exhibition games against the Mexican National U-20 Hockey Team. Be part of history! <a href="http://www.saginawspirit.com">www.saginawspirit.com</a>	<u>September 14 – 7:00pm</u> Northwood U. vs Mexico Exhibition at Midland Civic Arena <u>September 15 – 4:00pm</u> Plymouth vs Mexico Exhibition at Dow Event Center <u>7:11pm</u> Erie vs Saginaw Exhibition at Dow Event Center <u>September 16 – 4:00pm</u> Erie vs Plymouth Exhibition at Dow	Saginaw Spirit Contact: Cameron Knowles/Saginaw Spirit at (989) 497-6507 or Ricardo Verdoni/Hispanic Visions at (989) 792-2531

				Event Center Mexico vs Saginaw 7:11pm Exhibition at Dow Event Center	
September 15	Adrian	Adrian City Hall	<b>Flag Raising Ceremony</b> Presentation by Michael Perez – Proclamation by Barb Mitzel, Mayor Pro-Tem	10:00-11:00am	Contact: Rafael Gonzales Sr. at (517) 423-4597
September 15	Flint	University of Michigan-Flint, Happenings Room	<b>National Latino AIDS Awareness Day</b> This statewide gathering of health professionals will address the AIDS epidemic in Hispanic and Latino/a communities in Michigan.	9:00am-3:00pm	University of Michigan-Flint Contact: Wellness AIDS Services, Inc., at (810) 232-0888
September 15	Big Rapids	Ferris State University, Main Campus Quad	<b>Hispanic Festival</b> Food, Latin music, piñatas and making maracas & flowers	11:00am-2:00pm	Ferris State University Contact: Luzia Tartari at (231) 591-2100
September 15-16	South Haven	Lake Michigan College, 125 Veterans Blvd.	<b>Southwest Michigan Hispanic Celebration</b> Mexican folk dance, kids festivities, concert, business expo, Hispanic cuisine, vendors, car shows-low riders, capoiara, Hispanic veteran recognition, and service organizations	<u>Sept. 15:</u> 5:00-8:00pm <u>Sept. 16</u> 12:00–6:00pm	Telamon Corporation Contact: Pedro Ledesma at (616) 886-9609
September 15-October 15	Holland	Bethany Christian Services, 12048 James Street	<b>El Centro Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month</b> Samples of Hispanic food, music and facts.	4:00-8:00pm	Bethany Christian Services – El Centro Contact: Eva Masters at (616) 396-0623
September 15-16-17	Holland	Holland Civil Center, 150 West Eighth Street	<b>"Mexico's Mineral Treasures" – 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gem and Mineral Show</b> Special exhibit of more than 50 different minerals from the rich mining districts of Mexico. Cost: Adults \$2, Students \$ .50	<u>Sept. 15:</u> 9:30am-9:00pm <u>Sept. 16:</u> 9:00am-7:00pm <u>Sept. 17:</u> 11:00am-5:00pm	Tulip City Gem and Mineral Club Contact: Linda Winkelmann at (616) 392-5701
September 15-16-17	Detroit	Club International, 6060 West Fort Street	<b>Mexican International Festival</b> Vendors, Mexican bands, Mariachi, ballet folklorico, food, children's activities. Official "El Grito de Independencia" Ceremony by Hon. Vicente Sanchez-Ventura, Consul of Mexico on Friday, Sept. 15 <sup>th</sup> at 10:00pm	All Day Event	La Explosiva Radio 1480 AM and Consulate of Mexico Contact: Alex Resendez at (734) 484-0078

September 16	South Haven	422 Eagle Street Theater	<b>Fundraiser Dance</b> Presenting Musical Groups: Grupo Bandolero and Latino Cuarto Cost: \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door	9:00am-12:00pm	Southwest Michigan Hispanic Celebration Contact: Pedro Ledesma at (616) 886-9609 or (616) 494-8830
September 17	Carey, Ohio	Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, 315 Clay Street	<b>Hispanic Day Celebration</b> Mariachi Band Zelaya	Confessions: 10:30am-12:00pm Mass and lunch: 12:00 noon Rosary and Benediction: 2:30pm	Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation Contact: (419) 396-7101
September 17	Flint	Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, 2316 West Coldwater Road	<b>Caminando Juntos (Walking Together)</b> Health Walk, Nutrition exhibits, health screenings, free food, DJ entertainment. <a href="http://www.catholiccharitiessg.org">www.catholiccharitiessg.org</a>	Following mass	Genesee County Hispanic/Latino Collaborative Contact: Kelly Frick at (810) 232-9950
September 18	East Lansing	3001 Coolidge Road, Suite, 250	<b>Hispanic Americans: Our Rich Culture Contributing to American's Future</b> Discussion topics: "Sharing a Hispanic Farming Experience," "New Latino Farmers in the US Heartland: Social Networks, Social Capital and Blueberry Farming in Southwestern MI," "Sharing my Peace Corps Experience," "Trying to maintain our cultural identity"	10:00am-3:00pm	US Dept. of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service Contact: Edwin Almodovar at (269) 327-0696 x3
September 18	Adrian	Siena Heights University, Field House	<b>Hispanic Heritage Month Kick-Off Luncheon</b> Keynote Speaker: Baldemar Velasquez, President of FLOC	11:30am-1:30pm	Contact: Emily Martinez at (517) 265-1618
September 19	Detroit	Maybury Elementary School, 4410 Porter Street	<b>10<sup>th</sup> Annual Children's Drawing Contest</b> Presentation to one of the winners: Denis Mercado	12:00 Noon	Consulate of Mexico Contact: Jacqueline Moran at (313) 964-4515 x22
September 20	Kalamazoo	Western Michigan University, Multicultural Center	<b>Cesar Chavez Painting Presentation</b>	4:00-5:00pm	Western Michigan University, Division of Multicultural Affairs Contact: Mike Ramirez at (269) 387-3329

September 20	Grand Rapids	Grand Valley State University, Pew Campus, Loosemore Auditorium, 401 Fulton Street West	<p><b>Hispanics in West Michigan: Challenges and Opportunities</b></p> <p>Jose Reyna, Assistant to the City Manager, City of Grand Rapids will talk about the Hispanic demographic in West Michigan. This fast growing population heavily impacts local business, economy and culture. Learn the challenges, opportunities and the influence Hispanics have in the area. Refreshments will be provided.</p>	5:30-7:00pm	Grand Valley State University Contact: Sandra Fernandez-Tardani at (616) 331-2177
September 20	Detroit	Cesar Chavez Academy High School, 1761 Waterman	<p><b>Welcoming Reception for the Ballet Folklorico de Amalia Hernandez</b></p> <p>Presentation of folklorico dance company from the region, Mariachi bands and traditional food.</p>	TBA	Consulate of Mexico Contact: Jacqueline Moran at (313) 964-4515 x22
September 21	Adrian	Human Services Building, 1040 S. Winter Street, Conf. Rooms B & C	<p><b>Department of Human Services Hispanic Heritage Month Luncheon</b></p>	12:00-1:30pm	Contact: Maria Martinez at (517) 264-6391
September 21	Big Rapids	Ferris State University, Flite Library	<p><b>Presentation on Cuba</b></p> <p>By Stephen Ross</p>	11:00am	Ferris State University Contact: Luzia Tartari at (231) 591-2100
September 21	Ann Arbor	Hill Auditorium, 825 North University Ave.	<p><b>Amalia Hernandez Ballet Folklorico de Mexico</b></p> <p>Mexico's national dance company returns to Ann Arbor for the first time since 1999 for a special Hill Auditorium performance. Founded in 1952 by dancer and choreographer Amalia Hernández, Ballet Folklórico de México got its start as a small company that produced dances based on Mexican folkloric traditions for a television show. Hernández, whose work is based on the venerated folkloric and dance traditions of her country, said, "The folklore in Mexico is very rich. I use the classic ballet as the technique. Only the technique, but not the choreography. All the choreography is based on the style and the roots</p>	8:00pm	University Musical Society Contact: Nicole Manvel at (734) 764-2538

			of Mexican folklore." Hill Auditorium was host to many folkloric dance companies before the Power Center was built, including the UMS debut of Ballet Folklórico de México in 1963. Cost: tickets range from \$10-\$44		
September 21	Flint	University Of Michigan-Flint, 303 E. Kearsley Street	<b>"Maid in America" Panel Discussion</b> They clean other people's homes and raise other families' children - often leaving their own families behind. "Maid in America" is an intimate look into the lives of three Latina immigrants working as nannies and housekeepers in Los Angeles, three of the nearly 100,000 domestic workers living in that city today. These women's stories vividly reveal how immigrants are redefining their roles, and underscore the vital role they play in many American households. A rare view into what is becoming an increasingly common scenario, "Maid in America" offers insight both into the immigrant experience, labor issues and contemporary Latino culture.	6:00-8:00 pm	University Of Michigan-Flint Contact: Barbara Bassett at (810) 762-3169
September 21	Detroit	Wayne State University-Law School, 471 W. Palmer	<b>Legal Issues Facing Latinos &amp; America's Future</b> John Trasviña, Interim President and General Counsel for MALDEF	7:00-9:00pm	Wayne State University Law School Contact: Robin Dortenzio at (313) 577-3934
September 23	Saginaw	Temple Ballroom, 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor	<b>Fiesta Folklorica Mexicana</b> Tickets are \$60 in advance or \$65 at the door – available by calling Manuel Lopez at (989) 777-7898. Dress is semi-formal. Dinner: Spectacular Buffet and dancing. Music entertainment: Mariachi Cora & Grupo Estilo	7:00pm- 1:00am	Contact: Manuel Lopez (989) 777-7898
September 23	Palmyra	The Palmyra Community Room	<b>Migrant Farewell/El Adios</b> Migrant Queen selection from surrounding migrant communities at 8:00pm. Dance.	8:00pm-12:00am	Contact: Emily Martinez at (517) 265-1618
September 23	Holland	West Ottawa School, South Building, 152 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue	<b>Hispanic Leadership Conference</b> Power Point presentation of what was done in the last four year by action teams. Afterwards, a symposium of speakers for each area. A forum	7:00am-12:30pm	Latin Americans United for Progress (LULAC) Contact: Tino Reyes, Sr. at (616) 392-5058

			with a panel discussion and how to implement ideas and recommendations brought up in the panel discussions.		
September 26	Flint	University Of Michigan-Flint, 303 E. Kearsley Street	<b>"Maid in America": A continuing discussion on immigration in America</b> The panel discussion will focus on the topic of immigration in America from both political and social justice contexts.	6:00-8:00pm	University Of Michigan-Flint Contact: Barbara Bassett at (810) 762-3169
September 26	Lansing	Cristo Rey Catholic Church, 201 West Miller Road	<b>Ben Canady Memorial</b> Ben Canady was the first director of the Cristo Rey Community Center.	11:00am	Cristo Rey Community Center and Cristo Rey Catholic Church Contact: John Roy Castillo at (517) 372-4700
September 27	Allendale	Grand Valley State University, Lake Superior Hall 175, 1 Campus Drive	<b>Movie: Buscando a Leti – The Life of an Immigrant</b> Dalia Tapia, a filmmaker from Chicago, will show her movie. This film portrays the conflict that immigrants confront when they leave their home countries and relatives for the promise of a better life. A discussion with the filmmaker will follow. Refreshments will be provided.	4:00-6:00pm	Grand Valley State University Contact: Sandra Fernandez-Tardani at (616) 331-2177
September 27	Big Rapids	Ferris State University, Science Building	<b>Discussion Panel</b> Panelist: Jose Reyna, Gerardo Macias, Prof. Richard Griffin, Prof. Tony Baker and others.	7:00pm	Ferris State University Contact: Luzia Tartari at (231) 591-2100
September 28	Allendale	Grand Valley State University, Cook Dewitt Center Auditorium, 1 Campus Drive	<b>Guitarist Ernesto Bitetti</b> Ernesto Bitetti, a native of Argentina, is one of the most recorded guitarist in the world. He will perform a program of Music from the Spanish and Latin American collection. Sponsored and Organized by the Arts at Noon Series from Music and Dance department and cosponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs.	12:00-1:00pm	Grand Valley State University Contact: Sandra Fernandez-Tardani at (616) 331-2177

September 28	Lansing	State Capitol grounds & Holiday Inn South	<p><b>MI Hispanic Caucus Celebration</b>  Begins at 9:00am Capitol Tours until 2:00pm  10:00am-Senate session opens with Hispanic proclamation  10:00am-Hispanic Student Summit at Lansing Community College, Dart Auditorium.  11:00am-Displays of Hispanic education programs for Michigan's Hispanic children through Michigan's colleges; entertainment on the State Capitol steps; and Hispanic music and dancers.  11:30am-Presentation on the State Capitol steps.  11:45-1:00pm-Lunch on the State Capitol lawn.  5:00pm-MI Hispanic Caucus reception, Holiday Inn South, 6820 S. Cedar Street.  6:00pm-MI Hispanic Caucus leadership awards and scholarship dinner, Holiday Inn South, 6820 S. Cedar Street.  <a href="http://www.michiganhispanicheritage.org">www.michiganhispanicheritage.org</a></p>	9:00am – 9:00pm	Michigan Hispanic Caucus, Lansing Community College and Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs Contact: Vicky Potter, 517-373-8339 or Maleigh Jackson, 517-373-2421
September 29	Hartland	The Majestic at Lake Walden, 9600 Crouse Road	<p><b>Cristo Rey Community Center 2006 Golf Open</b>  Golf Charity Outing – 4 person scramble \$100 per person, 18 holes (includes cart), lunch, door prizes, silent auction.</p>	9:00am Shot-gun Start	Cristo Rey Community Center Contact: John Roy Castillo at (517) 372-4700
October 1	Adrian	Lenawee Voc-Tech Center	<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Annual Car Show</b>  3 Places: Best in Show, People's Show, and Long Distance  Cost: \$10 pre-registration, \$15 on site</p>	Registration: 8:00-11:00am Judging: 12:00 noon	Contact: Abel Cooper at (517) 263-3233
October 2	Allendale	Grand Valley State University, Pere Marquette Room, Kirkhof Center	<p><b>Hispanic Poetry</b>  Join us to celebrate the magic of the word. Three Hispanic published poets, Zulema Moret from Modern Languages and Literatures at GVSU, Juana Goergen from DePaul University and Alvaro Leiva from University of Michigan, will recite their works in Spanish and English. Poets will have their published works for signing and purchase after the event. Refreshments will be provided.</p>	4:00-5:30pm	Grand Valley State University Contact: Sandra Fernandez-Tardani at (616) 331-2177

October 3	Alma	Alma College, Heritage Center, 614 W. Superior	<b>Grupo Argentino de Tango</b> Music Show	8:00pm	Alma College Contact: Margarita Krakusin at (989) 463-7171
October 4	Grand Rapids	Grand Valley State University, Loosemore Auditorium, Pew Campus, 401 Fulton St.	<b>Hispanic Business Forum</b> President Frank Coronado of the West Michigan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and Business Consultant Dante Villarreal from Small Business and Technology Development Center at Grand Valley, will lead a discussion regarding Hispanic businesses in West Michigan. Other panelist will include Hispanic Business Leaders, Martha Cerda, 2005 Latina of the Year; Jorge Gonzalez, GVSU Alumnus and 2005 Latino of the Year; Sandra Ramos from Chemical Bank, who will discuss the economic potential and actual impact of Hispanics in Business. Refreshments will be provided.	12:00-2:00pm	Grand Valley State University Contact: Sandra Fernandez-Tardani at (616) 331-2177
October 4	Grand Rapids	Grand Rapids Community College, Applied Technology Center, 143 Bostwick Ave.	<b>Cesar E. Chavez Hispanic Excellence Scholarship Gala</b> Music, food, scholarship awards, community awards	5:30-9:00pm	The Committee to Honor Cesar Chavez Contact: Ed Sosa at (616) 234-4039
October 5	Allendale	Grand Valley State University, 215/216 Kirkhof Center	<b>Spanglish: The New Linguistic Hybrid</b> Professor Yvette Fuentes and Keith Watts from GVSU Modern Languages and Literatures Department and Professor Emily Garcia from English Department. Join us to learn about the new "language" that has emerged in the US due to the blending of the English and Spanish Languages. The overlapping of both languages and their respective cultures has created an underground way of speaking that impacts the Hispanics in the United States. Spanglish is manifested on a daily bases through conversations, music and literature. Refreshments will be provided.	1:00-2:00pm	Grand Valley State University Contact: Sandra Fernandez-Tardani at (616) 331-2177

October 5	Kalamazoo	Western Michigan University, Bernhard Center	<b>Hispanic Awareness Day</b>	9:00am-1:00pm	Western Michigan University, Division of Multicultural Affairs Contact: Mike Ramirez at (269) 387-3329
October 5	Flint	University of Michigan – Flint, KIVA, 303 E. Kearsley St.	<b>Film Festival- "Corpus: A Home Movie About Selena"</b> This classic re-release from award -winning filmmaker Lourdes Portillo (Senorita Extraviada, Las Madres: "The Mothers of Plaza de Mayo") is a complex tribute to Selena, the Tejana superstar gunned down in 1995 at the age of 23 by the president of her fan club, just as she was on the brink of blockbuster crossover fame. While the story of her murder, which was filled with sex, glamour and betrayal, caught the attention of many outside the Chicano community, this film moves well beyond the sensational to present a nuanced feminist analysis of Selena's story. With a compassionate lens, Portillo places Selena's life and legacy in a cultural context, revealing powerful social forces that transformed a popular entertainer into a Chicana cultural icon turned modern-day saint.	6:00-8:00pm	University of Michigan-Flint, Office of Ed. Opportunity Initiatives Contact: Barbara Bassett at (810) 762-3169
October 7-15	Michigan and Northern Ohio	Various locations	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Bi-National Health Week</b> Health Fair conferences, free medical advice for Hispanics, healthcare information in Spanish <a href="http://www.binationalhealthweek.org">www.binationalhealthweek.org</a>	Varies	Consulate of Mexico Contact: Jacqueline Moran at (313) 964-4515 x22
October 8	Ypsilanti	Frog Island Park	<b>Latinos Unidos Soccer Cup/Festival 2006</b> The Soccer Cup/Festival offers exiting competition between 4 teams, traditional and contemporary Latin American music by local artists, authentic Latin food, and children's activities	10:00am-6:00pm	Latinos Unidos, Inc. Contact: Carlene Colvin-Garcia (734) 476-9372
October 11	Allendale	Grand Valley State University, Cook Dewitt Center Auditorium, 1 Campus Drive	<b>Hispanic Women: Hopes, Dreams, and Cultural Realities</b> Khedija Gadhoum, GVSU Assistant Professor in Modern Languages and Literatures with expertise in women's writing in Africa and Latin America, will moderate a diverse panel of speakers to discuss the issues Hispanic women face in	3:00-4:30pm	Grand Valley State University Contact: Sandra Fernandez-Tardani at (616) 331-2177

			American society along with their thoughts, dreams and challenges. Join us to participate in this discussion. Refreshments will be provided.		
October 12	Flint	University of Michigan – Flint, Happenings Room, 303 E. Kearsley St.	<b>Hispanic Heritage Month Finale!</b> An evening of music, dancing, food and fun for the entire family.	6:00-8:00pm	University of Michigan-Flint, Office of Ed. Opportunity Initiatives Contact: Barbara Bassett at (810) 762-3169
October 12	Big Rapids	Ferris State University, Merrill/Travis Residence Hall	<b>Latin Night Club</b>	9:00pm-12:00am	Ferris State University Contact: Luzia Tartari at (231) 591-2100
October 13	Big Rapids	Ferris State University, Main Campus	<b>Horatio Sanz</b> Comedian	8:00pm	Ferris State University Contact: Luzia Tartari at (231) 591-2100
October 14	Allendale	Grand Valley State University, Grand River Room, Kirkhof Center, 1 Campus Drive	<b>Latino Student Union Dinner and Dance</b> To close out the 2006 Hispanic Heritage Month celebration, the entire GVSU campus and community is welcome to join LSU for the authentic Latino Student Union Annual Dinner and Dance. The evening will feature Latin food and entertainment. After dining, join the group for an evening of dancing to the latest hip-hop, Salsa, merengue and more. No admission fee or cost to guests. Organized and Sponsored by Latino Student Union	7:00pm-1:00am	Grand Valley State University Contact: Sandra Fernandez-Tardani at (616) 331-2177
October 14	Kalamazoo	Western Michigan University	<b>Latino Alumni Meeting</b> Homecoming	10:00am-12:00pm	Western Michigan University, Division of Multicultural Affairs Contact: Mike Ramirez at (269) 387-3329
October 15	Lansing	Cristo Rey Catholic Church, 201 W. Miller Road	<b>Cristo Rey Church Hispanic Health Fair</b> Free health screenings, exhibitors from community agencies, nutritional information, information on the Mexican Consulate's Office.	10:00am-2:00pm	Cristo Rey Catholic Church Contact: Dianna Ybarra at (517) 887-4561 or Angie Samora at (517) 394-4639

October 16	Kalamazoo	Western Michigan University, Multicultural Center	<b>Dr. Edgar Rodriguez Julia, Puerto Rican Writer</b>	5:30-6:30pm	Western Michigan University, Division of Multicultural Affairs Contact: Mike Ramirez at (269) 387-3329
October 18	East Lansing	Wharton Center, Cobb Hall	<b>Tiempo Libre</b> Grammy-nominated Tiempo Libre is one of the hottest young Latin bands today. Equally at home in concert halls, jazz clubs and dance venues, the Miami based band has become known for their imaginative, high-voltage Latin jazz and the seductive hard-driving rhythms of their native Cuba. These seven extraordinary musicians came together to realize their collective musical dream; to create a new musical style by fusing their diverse individual talents with a unique mix of jazz, traditional Cuban and Afro-Cuban music. <a href="http://www.whartoncenter.com">www.whartoncenter.com</a>	TBA	Wharton Center for Performing Arts Contact: Bob Hoffman at (517) 353-1982 x115
October 19	East Lansing	Wharton Center, Pasant Theatre	<b>Tiempo Libre – SCHOOL SERIES</b> Grammy-nominated Tiempo Libre is one of the hottest young Latin bands today. Equally at home in concert halls, jazz clubs and dance venues, the Miami based band has become know for their imaginative, high-voltage Latin jazz and the seductive hard-driving rhythms of their native Cuba. During the School Series, the musicians will talk about their native country and growing up in Cuba, and will demonstrate examples of the forms of music that Cuba is famous for: Habanera, Danzón, Cha-Cha-Chá, Son and Timba <a href="http://www.whartoncenter.com">www.whartoncenter.com</a>	10:00am	Wharton Center for Performing Arts Contact: Laurie Briseño at (517) 353-1982 x141
October 20	Adrian	Siena Heights University, Dominican Hall	<b>Women's Luncheon</b>	11:30am-1:30pm	Contact: Emily Martinez at (517) 265-1618
October 21	Grand Rapids	Crowne Plaza, 5700 28 <sup>th</sup> Street	<b>Salsa Heat</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Black Tie "Ole" Benefit Dinner, dancing, entertainment by Ritmo, spicy Salsa dancing and instruction, Comedian. Cost: \$50	7:00pm	Michigan Migrant Legal Assistance Project Contact: (616) 454-5055

October 25	Detroit	Cobo Hall and Exhibit Center	<b>Amigo de SER - 2006 Annual Business Recognition Luncheon</b> <a href="http://www.sermetro.org/amigos_luncheon.htm">www.sermetro.org/amigos_luncheon.htm</a>	TBA	General Motors and Amigos de SER Contact: Blanca Almanza at (313) 846.2240, ext. 236
October 26	Kalamazoo	Western Michigan University, Multicultural Center	<b>Spanish Film Series</b>	10:00am-12:00 noon	Western Michigan University, Division of Multicultural Affairs Contact: Mike Ramirez at (269) 387-3329
October 28	Flint	Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, 2316 W. Coldwater Road	<b>Hispanic Heritage Awards Dinner/Dance (Celebrando Juntos)</b> 7:00pm -8:00pm Dinner/Mariachi Chantaca Presentation(During Dinner) 8:00pm-12:00 midnight Dance, Music by Grupo Estilo	7:00pm-12:00am	Catholic Charities Spanish Speaking Information Center Contact: Kelly Frick at (810)232-9950
October 30	Kalamazoo	Western Michigan University, Multicultural Center	<b>Spanish Film Series</b>	12:00-2:00pm	Western Michigan University, Division of Multicultural Affairs Contact: Mike Ramirez at (269) 387-3329
October 31	Kalamazoo	Western Michigan University, Multicultural Center	<b>Spanish Film Series</b>	3:00-5:00pm	Western Michigan University, Division of Multicultural Affairs Contact: Mike Ramirez at (269) 387-3329
November 1-2	Detroit	Matrix Theatre Company, 2730 Bagley Street	<b>Day of the Dead Workshops</b> Participants will create their own artwork that they take with them to celebrate those who have passed on before them. <a href="http://www.matrixtheatre.org">www.matrixtheatre.org</a>	9:00am-3:00pm	Matrix Theatre Company Contact: Becca Young at (313) 967-0999
November 2	Kalamazoo	Western Michigan University, Multicultural Center	<b>Day of the Dead</b>	1:00-2:00pm	Western Michigan University, Division of Multicultural Affairs Contact: Mike Ramirez at (269) 387-3329

November 10	Grand Rapids	Grand Rapids Community College	<b>Annual Scholarship Fundraiser</b> Guest Speaker: Rudy Valenzuela, RN, MSN, NP	TBA	National Association of Hispanic Nurses – Michigan Chapter Contact: Virginia Morales at (616) 913-8440
November 10	Royal Oak	Oakland Community College, Royal Oak Campus Auditorium, 739 S. Washington	<b>Mariachi Especial "Alma de Mexico"</b> A performance to benefit the Oakland Community College/Oaxaca Mexico Project, an international exchange program. Cost: Advanced Purchase: Students \$10, Seniors \$12 and Adults \$15 Door Purchase: Students \$13, Seniors \$15, and Adults \$18	7:30-9:30pm	Oakland Community College Contact: All campus bookstores for tickets

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