

Hispanic Heritage Month



In partnership with [La Casa](#), [El Centro Comunal Latino](#), and the [City of Bloomington](#), the Library will celebrate [Hispanic Heritage Day on Sunday, September 23 from 12:30-3 PM](#). A bilingual storytime will be held in the Children's Program Room at 12:30 PM followed by a traditional mariachi band and dancing, food, and a caricature artist in the Atrium from 1-3 PM.

Interested in learning Spanish or another new language? Try [Mango](#), the fun, easy way to break the language barrier. Mango offers courses in over 60 languages (including English as a New Language). Access to Mango is free with your Library card.

The library also has a [Spanish language collection for adults and children](#) including books, magazines, DVD's, and CD's.

Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15-October 15, by celebrating the histories, cultures, and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America.

National Hispanic Heritage Month was made official on August 17, 1988 by President Ronald Reagan, but observation of the month itself actually began in 1968 under President Lyndon Johnson. September 15 was chosen as the starting point for the celebration because it is the anniversary of independence for five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Mexico, Belize, and Chile also celebrate their independence in the month of September.

Check out the [calendar of activities](#) happening throughout the community during National Hispanic Heritage Month.

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