

WAYS TO CELEBRATE NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Learn about National Hispanic Heritage Month and read through just a few ways to celebrate the diversity of Hispanic and Latinx communities!



National Hispanic Heritage Month is a month-long celebration of Hispanic and Latinx communities, cultures and histories, held from September 15 to October 15. Though we aim to celebrate our diversity and amplify BIPOC voices year-round, the celebrated month is in recognition of the independence days of many Central American countries, starting with Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua on September 15, and then followed by Mexico on September 16, Chile on September 18 and Belize on September 21. It began as a week-long recognition in 1968 but was extended to a full month in 1988.

Source: National Museum of the American Latino

Here are just a few ways to honor and celebrate:

- Explore the New York Public Library's reading list of works by authors of Mexican descent (<u>Link</u>)
- Visit El Museo del Barrio's exhibition "Something Beautiful: Reframing La Colección" (<u>Link</u>)
- Browse NYC Parks Department's free history tours led by Urban Park Rangers (<u>Link</u>)
- Listen to the BackStory podcast episode "After Hurricane Maria: The History of Puerto Rico and the United States" (Link)
- Learn about six historical sites from the National Park Service celebrating LGBTQ Latinos (<u>Link</u>)