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CELEBRATING THE Hispanic Heritage Month

Hispanic Heritage month is a meaningful time set aside each year to honor the cultures, histories and achievements of Hispanic Americans. From September 15 to October 15, people across the United States come together to celebrate the many ways Hispanic communities have shaped our country. The Hispanic communities are, El Salvador, Puerto Rico, Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, the Dominican Republic, Spain, Colombia, and many more.

Throughout this month, you'll find festivals, colorful parades, and community events that highlights the Hispanic traditions-whether it's through music, dance, art, and delicious food. Some of our Hispanic Music are Cumbia, Reggaeton, Bachata, Salsa, Mariachi and many more. In food, we enjoy favorites like tacos, pupusas, tamales, and churros.



Hispanic people have also made big differences in science, sports, and government.

Finally, this celebration reminds us that embracing cultural differences enriches our society and helps build, stronger and connected communities.

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Sonia Sotomayor: A Trailblazer in the Supreme Court

Sonia Maria Sotomayor was born on June 25, 1954. She was raised by a Puerto Rican working-class parents in New York City. She made history as the first Hispanic justice in the United States Supreme Court.

Since joining the Supreme Court in 2009, Justice Sotomayor has been recognized for her commitment to civil rights and equality. Sotomayor's life encourages all of us to dream big and stand up for what is right.

Charlie B



Ellen Ochoa: Breaking Barriers in Space

Ellen Ochoa was born on May 10, 1958 in Los Angeles, California. As the first Hispanic woman to travel in space, she has inspired so many with her achievements. With a Doctorate degree in Electrical Engineering, Ochoa's expertise led her to NASA, where she became an astronaut and flew on Space Shuttle Discovery in 1993.

She encouraged women and minorities to pursue science careers. At first, she was rejected by the NASA training program, but it did not stop her from dreaming. On her third attempt, she was finally accepted and went to Houston, Texas for the training.

Ellen Ochoa's story shows that hard work and perseverance can overcome obstacles.

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Hispanic Arts and Music

Hispanic arts and music are lively reflections of cultural heritage, blending influences from indigenous, African and European traditions. Hispanic art is known for its vibrant colors, and detailed designs, reflected in artifacts, murals, and paintings that celebrate community and history.

Music is a central heart of Hispanic culture, with popular styles like salsa, mariachi, and flamenco bringing people together through energetic rhythms and expressive melodies.

Overall, Hispanic art and music enrich our world by sharing stories, building connections, and celebrating diversity.

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Proud to be El Salvadoran

I am proud to be from El Salvador. Even though it is a small country, it is full of beautiful traditions and culture.

One thing I love is the food. Pupusas are our most famous dish, and we enjoy them with family and friends. I also love that the weather in El Salvador is nice and hot. El Salvador has beautiful beaches, lakes, rivers and volcanoes. Our country is known as one of the best places to go surfing. El Salvador also has fun traditions. On August 6th, people celebrate the Day of the Divine Savior with parades, music, and dancing. We love soccer, music, dancing, and spending time with family. People are hardworking, kind, and proud of their roots.

I am proud to be Salvadoran because our culture is full of fun, love, and tradition.

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Tacos : A Simple Joy

Tacos are a popular Mexican dish of simple flavor often grilled or slow cooked marinated meat often served on hard taco shell or soft corn tortillas. It has some toppings like diced onion, cilantro, lettuce, cheese, salsa, and chili peppers. It represents the tradition, and the community of Mexican culture.

Sadly, I never had the chance to eat tacos. As a kid from the Caribbean, I would love to try it someday.

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