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Celebrate and explore Latin culture at the Pierce County Library System

PIERCE COUNTY, Washington – Discover the cultures and contributions of both Hispanic and Latinx Americans during Hispanic and Latinx Heritage Month Sept. 15 through Oct. 15. Visit the Pierce County Library System for classes and events, specially curated booklists and informative displays during this national celebration.

The Pierce County Library offers many opportunities to celebrate with events and activities.

Reading & Making Latinx Comics

Hear from local graphic novelist José Alaniz on the history of Latinx comics, followed by a workshop to create short comics. Ages 13 and older.

Saturday, Sept. 28, noon-1 p.m.

Gig Harbor Pierce County Library, 4424 Point Fosdick Drive

The Art of Metal Tooling: Repujado

Learn the basic techniques of metal embossing in Mexican folk art with artist Amaranta Sandys. Registration required. All supplies provided. Ages 13 and older.

Sunday, Oct. 6, 1:30-2:45 p.m.

Parkland/Spanaway Pierce County Library, 13718 Pacific Ave. S., Tacoma

Teotihuacan Masks - ArtMaranth Mobile School

Celebrate National Hispanic and Latinx Heritage Month with Amaranta Sandys who will teach how to make and decorate a Teotihuacan Masks. Ages 5-12.

Friday, Oct. 11, 1-2 p.m.

Steilacoom Pierce County Library, 2950 Steilacoom Blvd.

Friday, Oct. 11, 4-5 p.m.

Gig Harbor Pierce County Library, 4424 Point Fosdick Drive

Loteria! Mexican BINGO

Join in a game of Loteria for a chance to win prizes and learn some Spanish vocabulary along the way at this family friendly program! Registration required. Ages 5-18.

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 4-5 p.m.

Gig Harbor Pierce County Library, 4424 Point Fosdick Drive

Thursday, Oct. 3, 4-5 p.m.

Steilacoom Pierce County Library, 2950 Steilacoom Blvd.

Caña Dulce - Costa Rican Folklore and Calypso

Listen as Caña Dulce shares Costa Rican cultural heritage through outfits, music, dance and storytelling. All ages.

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South Hill Pierce County Library, 15420 Meridian E.

Discover the stories and voices of Hispanic and Latinx authors hailing from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America, through booklists for all ages, available in books, e-books and online audiobooks.

Register for events and find more information at mypcls.org.

About Pierce County Library System

The nationally acclaimed <u>Pierce County Library System</u> serves 671,000 people throughout Pierce County with 19 libraries and online services. The system is the fourth largest in the state and property taxes are the main funding source. People may choose from more than one million books, e-books, audiobooks, movies and other materials. Pierce County Library is committed to directing services in three primary areas: learning, enjoyment and community connection. Its services and programs spark success for Pierce County residents. People make approximately one million visits to Pierce County Libraries each year. The Library provides services and programs directly to people in adult care facilities, people who are homebound, and to children in childcare centers and schools. <u>Pierce County Libraries are located</u> at Anderson Island, Bonney Lake, Buckley, DuPont, Eatonville, Fife, Gig Harbor, Graham, Key Center, Lakewood, Milton/Edgewood, Orting, Parkland/Spanaway, South Hill, Steilacoom, Summit, Sumner, Tillicum and University Place. Pierce County Library is an independent municipal corporation and operates as a junior taxing district.

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