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Film series, panel discussions and book readings among events scheduled

SEPTEMBER 19, 2018 BY EDWIN B. SMITH



OXFORD, Miss. – A five-film series, five panel discussions and a book reading are among the events scheduled as the **University of Mississippi** observes Hispanic Heritage Month.

The four-week celebration began with a film Friday (Sept. 13) and ends Oct. 18 with another film. A kickoff event was held Monday (Sept. 17) in the Triplett Alumni Center.

Sponsors of the observances are the **Center for Inclusion and Cross Cultural Engagement**, the **Department of Modern Languages**, the Latin Student Organization and the Spanish Film Club. All events are free and open to the public.

“During National Hispanic Heritage Month, recognized Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, we acknowledge the contributions made and the important presence of Hispanic and Latinx Americans to the United States,” said Shawnboda Mead, CICCE director.

Mead said she hopes that all members of the university community will take advantage of opportunities to become more connected.

“The month will feature a variety of interactive events and discussions that will celebrate Hispanic heritage and culture,” Mead said. “There will be opportunities for engagement and learning for the entire campus community.”

Other scheduled activities include:

Sept. 20 – Panel Discussion: “Latinix in the Media,” 5:30 p.m., Lamar Hall, Room 126. An open discussion on how the Latin community is portrayed in the media, as well as its media presence. Brittany Brown, a senior journalism major, is the facilitator.

Sept. 26: Panel Discussion: “Latinas of Ole Miss,” 4 p.m., Lamar Hall, Room 126. Students, professors and advisers are invited to this panel discussion about cultural insights, community and knowledge. Hilda Nieblas, graduate community director for student housing, is the facilitator.

Sept. 26: Panel Discussion: “Fifty Years After 1968: the State of Latin American Politics,” 6 p.m. **Croft Institute**, Room 107. This public forum addresses political transformations sweeping through Latin America that have major implications for global affairs. Panelists from UM **political science, sociology and anthropology** faculty will speak to the weakening of democracy, social unrest, organized crime and violence, Chinese investment in the region, and watershed elections.

Sept. 27: Film Series: “Panama Canal Stories,” 6 p.m., Lamar Hall, Room 127.

Sept. 29: “Refuse” book release, 6 p.m., Goolsby’s Hair World, 814 Jackson Ave. East. Ole Miss graduate student and author Julian Randall will read from “Refuse,” a book of original poetry.

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Donations Sought for 25th Annual Books and Bears Program

OXFORD, Miss. – The University of Mississippi is asking the community to help spread a little joy this holiday season by donating to the 25th annual Books and Bears program. Donations such as toys, books, dolls, bicycles and other children’s play items are being accepted through Dec. 14. All donations will be collected and sorted

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Mississippi Excellence in Coaching Fellowship Aims to Build Leaders

OXFORD, Miss. – Twenty-five inaugural recipients of the Mississippi Excellence in Coaching Fellowship – a program hosted by the University of Mississippi School of Education in partnership with the Mississippi Association of Coaches and the Mississippi High School Activities Association – are expected to increase their impact on student-athletes and their communities. The coaching fellowship

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Clarion-Ledger: New Essay Collection Tells the Story of Meredith’s Enrollment

Essays celebrate 60th anniversary of James Meredith’s enrollment at University of Mississippi By Lauren Rhoades Oct. 1 marks the 60th anniversary of James Meredith’s 1962 enrollment at the University of Mississippi as the school’s first African-American student.

Oct. 4: Film Series: "The Second Mother," 6 p.m., Lamar Hall, Room 127.

Oct. 8: Panel Discussion: "Are You Ready? Dialogue Series: Let's Start the Conversation," 6 p.m., Bryant Hall, Room 209. Topics such as the aftermath of the Pulse nightclub shooting will be discussed. Julian Randall will be the moderator.

Oct. 10: Book Reading; 5 p.m., Square Books. Showcased will be the unique role of Latin Americans in literature.

Oct. 11: Film Series: "Summer 1993," 6 p.m., Lamar Hall, Room 127.

Oct. 15: Panel Discussion: "What is AfroLatinidad?" 6 p.m., Lamar Hall, Room 125. Simone McMullan, assistant professor of Southern studies and anthropology, will lead a discussion about the fusion of African and Latin cultures.

Oct. 18: Film Series: "Spider Thieves," 6 p.m., Lamar Hall, Room 127.

For more information about Hispanic Heritage Month events, visit <https://inclusion.olemiss.edu/hispanic-heritage-month-2018/>.

"James Meredith: Breaking the Barrier," a collection of essays edited by UM professor of journalism Kathleen Wickham, honors this historic milestone with

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HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH 2018

"POLITICAL ISSUES IN LATIN AMERICA"
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 26
6-7 p.m. • Croft, Room 107
A powerful panel discussion around political issues rooted in Latin America. This event is hosted by Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Marcos Mendoza.

KICKOFF EVENT: POETS OF PUERTO RICO
MONDAY, SEPT. 17
6-8 p.m. • Butler Auditorium, Triplett Alumni Center
Join us for an exciting kickoff to Hispanic Heritage Month. Local poets will express their cultures and backgrounds through music and readings. This is perfect for the coffeehouse native, the aspiring writer or anyone else who loves joining in community around Hispanic heritage. Refreshments will be provided, and the event is free. However, a \$10 donation is suggested for "Para La Naturaleza," a relief organization that is looking to reforest Puerto Rico with over 1 million trees by 2020 after the loss of millions of trees during Hurricane Maria.

LATINX IN THE MEDIA
THURSDAY, SEPT. 20
4-5:30 p.m. • Lamar Hall, Room 126
Do you love Netflix, TV series and other forms of media? Join us for an open discussion on how the Latinx community is portrayed in the media, as well as its media presence. The discussion will highlight the history of Latinx in the media, as well as how it is manifesting itself today. Brittany Brown, a senior journalism major, will facilitate this event.

LATINAS OF OLE MISS
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 26
4-5:30 p.m. • Lamar Hall, Room 126
Join us for a discussion highlighting the experiences of Latinas at Ole Miss. This will be a space for students, professor and advisors to gain cultural insights, community and knowledge through this discussion. Heidi Nieves, graduate community director for student housing, will facilitate this event.

OXFORD BOOK RELEASE
SATURDAY, SEPT. 29
6-8 p.m. • Grody's Barber Shop, 814 Jackson Ave.
Julian Randall, an Ole Miss graduate student, has written a book, *Before*, which documents a young, bisexual man's journey through the mythos of blackness, Latinidad, family, sexuality and a hostile American landscape. *Before* debates poetry that accepts that every song must end before the next one begins. This is a special opportunity to connect with an author from our university that you will not want to miss.

ARE YOU READY? DIALOGUE SERIES: LET'S START THE CONVERSATION
MONDAY, OCT. 8
6-7 p.m. • Bryant 209
Are you ready for a unique, engaging dialogue series? Join us as we discuss the intersection of Latinx and LGBTQ+ identities. The interactive dialogue will celebrate the contributions of members of both the LGBTQ+ and Latinx communities. Topics such as the aftermath of the Pulse nightclub shooting also will be discussed. Julian Randall, an Ole Miss graduate student, will moderate the discussion.

WHAT IS AFROLATINIDAD?
MONDAY, OCT. 15
6-7 p.m. • Lamar Hall, Room 126
What is AfroLatinidad? Come to this event to find out. A panel of Ole Miss students, faculty and staff will share and discuss their AfroLatinidad experiences. Simone Delorme, UW Assistant Professor of Anthropology and McMullan Assistant Professor of Southern Studies, will facilitate the discussion.

FILM SERIES
BEGINNING SEPT. 13, a series of films will be shown in Spanish with English subtitles.
All films will begin at 6 p.m. in Lamar Hall, Room 127.
THURSDAY, SEPT. 13 - "Sealed Cargo" - "Carga Sellada"
THURSDAY, SEPT. 20 - "Panama Canal Stories" - "Historias Del Canal"
THURSDAY, OCT. 4 - "The Second Mother" - "Que Horas Ela Volta?"
THURSDAY, OCT. 18 - "Summer 1993" - "Estatu 1993"
THURSDAY, OCT. 18 - "Soldier Thieves" - "Niñas Arañas"
See the trailers at SpanishFilmClub.com. For more information, contact Danielle Harting, UW Associate Professor of Modern Languages, at dmarling@olemiss.edu.

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