

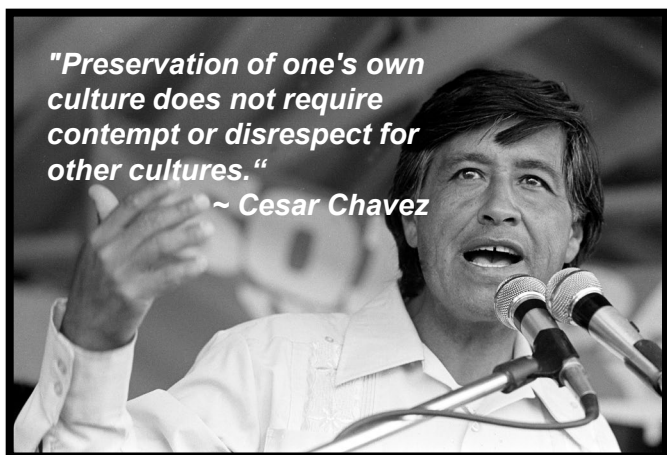


September 15th – October 15th

Over 62 million members strong, the Hispanic and LatinX communities in the United States have proud and diverse heritages.

Why is the date important?

The day of September 15th is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16th and September 18th, respectively.



We come together during this Hispanic Heritage Month to celebrate the rich histories, diverse cultures, and countless contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Mexico, Spain, the Caribbean and countries in both Central and South America.

Just a few of the many exceptional Hispanic and LatinX people who have made important contributions to the world

- [Sonia Sotomayor](#): Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States
- [Cesar Chavez](#): American civil rights activist
- [Frida Kahlo](#): Mexican artist and painter
- [Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez](#): Youngest person elected to the House of Representatives
- [Roberto Clemente](#): Was the first Latin American to win a World Series as a starting player
- [Sylvia Rivera](#): Transgender person and gay rights activist
- [Ellen Ochoa](#): First Hispanic woman to go to space
- [Lin-Manuel Miranda](#): Tony Award winning playwright
- [Dolores Huerta](#): Hispanic American labor rights activist

