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09.02.2009 | Culture and Society The University of Dayton Office of Multicultural Affairs has a monthlong slate of events for Hispanic Heritage Month Sept. 16 through Oct. 15.

The month begins with Juana Bordas discussing her book *Salsa, Soul and Spirit: Leadership in Spirituality*. In the book, Bordas, president of Mestiza Leadership International, shows how incorporating into the mainstream Latino, African-American and American Indian approaches to leadership has the potential to strengthen leadership practice and inspire today's ethnically rich work force. Mestiza Leadership International provides training and organizational services for

collaboration, diversity and leadership.

Also during the month, University will offer salsa dance lessons and intensive Spanish classes; host discussions on immigration and Hispanic concepts of beauty; provide a leadership mini-course on Hispanic heritage themes; and sponsor Hispanic film nights. Participants in the leadership mini-course will receive a certificate in leadership along with their degrees upon graduation.

The month concludes with the awarding of the University's Alma Latina Award given to a student who has helped the advancement of the local Latino community.

Here is the complete schedule of events. All events are free and open to the public.

The University of Dayton has seen a 60 percent increase in the number of Hispanic students in the first-year class in the past two years.

- 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept 16, Kennedy Union: Keynote address with Juana Bordas.
- 8:30-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Sept. 25 and Oct. 2, Kennedy Union Pub: Salsa lessons.
- 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, Office of Multicultural Affairs in Gosiger Hall: Discussion on immigration.
- Noon Wednesday, Sept. 23 and 30, Kennedy Union 222: Intensive Spanish lesson.
- 6 p.m. Sept. 17 (Marianist Hall Learning Space), Sept. 24 (Sears Recital Hall), Oct. 1 (Marianist Hall Learning Space) and Oct. 6 (Marianist Hall Learning Space); Leadership mini-course on Hispanic heritage themes.
- 8 p.m., Friday, Sept. 25, RecPlex: Hispanic-themed movie, to be announced.
- 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 5, Office of Multicultural Affairs in Gosiger Hall: Discussion on Hispanic concepts of beauty.
- 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, Office of Multicultural Affairs in Gosiger Hall: Hispanic-themed movie, to be announced.
- Monday, Oct. 12: Feast of Our Lady of the Pillar.
- 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, Roesch Library: "Made in L.A.," film and discussion.
- 6 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 14, Virginia W. Kettering Residence Hall ground floor meeting room; Leadership mini-course series graduation and State of Diversity address presented by Pablo Fontanet, president of the University of Dayton's El Orgullo Latino, a club for University of Dayton students interested in Hispanic culture.
- 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, Kennedy Union Torch Lounge: Alma Latina Award Reception.

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