

Community Managers: Hispanic Heritage Month (Sep 15-Oct 15), is a great time to learn about individual Hispanic cultures, history, food, holiday traditions, music, and dance. Here are a few ways you can bring your residents together to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month!

## Adult Literacy: Monthly Book Club

When planning your reading selection for this month's book club, consider a book written by a Latino author. Here's a top-20 list to get you started. Most Recommended Latino Authors

## **Hispanic Heritage Potluck**

Invite residents to bring their favorite Latin-inspired dishes. The site can provide the main entrée and beverages.

## **Hispanic Music Karaoke Night**

Discover how talented your residents truly are. Invite them to sing their favorite Latin tunes.

## **Background Music**

Make Spanish music playlists. Great to play for background music during the day while working, or during community social events.

# Spanish Café (Learn Conversational Spanish)

Ask a bilingual resident to volunteer and lead fun workshops centered around everyday conversational Spanish phrases.

#### **Hispanic Heritage Arts & Crafts**

You can't speak about the arts without mentioning Frida Kahlo, Diego Rivera, Salvador Dalí, or Pablo Picasso. Provide paints and canvas and invite your residents to do their favorite interpretation of a famous artwork by a Latin artist. You can also make it a fun paint and sip event.

#### DE&I Art Contest - "One Love"

Help your residents bring their Hispanic heritage to life through art by entering RA's DE&I Art Contest. Organize a group art event and provide paper and art supplies. Advertise the event weekly via Textbox, and submit your residents' artwork entries to RAM Corporate by Oct 28.

# **Hispanic Heritage & Heroes Coloring Pages**

A fun after-school activity for your students. <u>Coloring Pages</u>

#### Get to Know My Country

Invite residents to dress in traditional clothing from their country and give a presentation and discuss their country's culture, food, dance, music, etc.

# **Invite a Guest Speaker**

Expand your perspectives by hearing from a knowledgeable and experienced guest speaker about a topic involving Hispanic culture. Invite residents to an in-person or virtual meeting. Include a biography of the speaker and allow them to have a Q&A session at the end.

## **Play Dominoes or Loteria**

Clear a table, grab a box of dominoes and invite your residents to play; or you can try your luck with a game of <u>loteria</u>, which means "lottery" in English. It's basically another version of bingo with cards and is equally as fun. <u>How to Play Loteria</u>

How to Play Dominoes

## **Movie Matinee**

Choose a popular Spanish-speaking movie with English subtitles. Keep it family-friendly with G-PG13 movies. For youth viewing, show a Disney movie focused on Latin culture:

<u>Spanish Movies All Ages</u> <u>16 Kids Movies and Shows that Celebrate Latino Culture</u>

# **Group Exercise**

Switch it up when it comes to group exercise. Consider offering a Zumba class or a Latin dance class. (Exercise waivers required).

#### Promote Hispanic Restaurants / Latin Cuisine

Promote area Hispanic restaurants and food trucks on your Facebook page or provide a neat display of restaurant menus for your residents to pick-up.

#### **Take a Virtual Tour**

See the beauty of South America. Use your smart TV & YouTube to play virtual tours and field trips of South American locales. <u>21 Best Places to Visit in South America - Travel Video</u> YouTube has a great selection of virtual field trips for Latin America.

#### **Decorate the Community Room**

Invite residents to bring items like flags, art, articles of folklore and memorabilia from their country (labeled with their names) to be displayed in the community room during Hispanic Heritage celebrations. Return all items after Oct 15<sup>th</sup>.