



# HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

PROGRAM GUIDE 2021





From September 15-October 15, WETA celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month on WETA PBS, WETA World, and WETA Metro channels. Many of the programs can be streamed online on the free PBS Video App. Visit [weta.org/hispanicheritage](http://weta.org/hispanicheritage) for additional airdates and information.



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## WEEKDAYS

1:00 PM **WETA METRO**  
& **PATI'S MEXICAN TABLE**

1:30 PM Discover different flavors and plates as chef and cookbook author Pati Jinich guides viewers through the Mexican meals that narrated her childhood. Learn new recipes and ideas to bring into your own kitchen!  
*Repeats Saturdays, 5 p.m. on WETA PBS*

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

3:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **WONDERS OF MEXICO — Part 1. Forests of the Maya**

Learn about the secret waterways in the Yucatán peninsula, and the surrounding forests of the Maya.

*Repeats Sunday, 9/26, 12 p.m. on WETA Metro*

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

3:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **WONDERS OF MEXICO — Part 2. Mountain Worlds**

Mountain ranges are a definitive, almost universal characteristic of the Mexican landscape. Learn more about how it molds life and culture in the region, and the surrounding wildlife.

*Repeats Sunday, 9/26, 2 p.m. on WETA Metro*

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

3:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **WONDERS OF MEXICO — Part 3. Burning North**

Explore the deserts of Northern Mexico, alongside the animals who have made a home within treacherous conditions.

*Repeats Sunday, 9/26, 3 p.m. on WETA Metro*

7:00 PM **WETA METRO**

### **VOCES ON PBS: PORVENIR, TX**

PBS uncovers the true story of the tragic 1918 murder of 15 Mexican-American boys and men in the small village of Porvenir, Texas — and how this more than 100-year legacy informs our current border consciousness.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

6:30 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **POV: VOICES OF THE SEA**

A Cuban couple finds themselves at an impasse — one wants to stay, and one wants to go. With four kids to look after, a lot is at stake. *Voices of the Sea* tells an all-too-familiar story of love, loss, and hope for a better tomorrow.

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

12:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **GREAT PERFORMANCES: GLORIA ESTEFAN: SANGRE YORUBA**

Discover the history and roots of Samba music with host Gloria Estefan. This documentary brings Estefan closer to the heartbeat of Samba as she journeys to the Brazilian locations from which the sound developed, and examines the African origins that made it.





## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

2:30 PM **WETA PBS**

### **RISE AND FALL OF THE BROWN BUFFALO**

This documentary spotlights the life of radical Chicano lawyer, author, and countercultural icon Oscar Zeta Acosta. Through the lens of Acosta's dedication to protecting the marginalized communities around him, this documentary explores issues of racial identity, criminal justice, politics, and police brutality.

3:00 PM **WETA METRO**

### **IN CONCERT AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL: HECHO EN MÉXICO/MADE IN MEXICO**

This episode of In Concert at the Hollywood Bowl, hosted by LA Phil Music and Gustavo Dudamel, features live music from Mexican and Mexican-American heavyweights, such as Natalia Lafourcade and Rodrigo y Gabriela.

*Repeats Sunday, 9/26, 4 p.m. on WETA PBS*

3:30 PM **WETA PBS**

### **RAÚL JULIÁ: THE WORLD'S A STAGE: AMERICAN MASTERS**

Explore the life and legacy of the charismatic Puerto Rican actor who starred in a range of roles on-stage and on-screen — from Shakespearean plays to The Addams Family. The film features interviews with Rita Moreno, James Earl Jones, Jimmy Smits, and more.

9:30 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **BEYOND THE CANVAS: MODERN MEXICO**

Learn more about the modern Mexican world, and how groundbreaking creatives such as Yalitza Aparicio and Gabriela Cámara are sustaining the arts during the COVID-19 pandemic.

10:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **DOC WORLD: SIQUEIROS: WALLS OF PASSION**

An advocate for modern public art, David Alfaro Siqueiros was a trailblazing Mexican muralist that defined a generation and his lasting impact on how we envision public artforms will never be forgotten. Learn more about the life and legacy of David Alfaro Siqueiros in this episode of *Doc World*.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **VOCES ON PBS: ADIOS AMOR: THE SEARCH FOR MARIA MORENO**

Years before Cesar Chavez and Dolores Huerta launched the United Farm Workers, Maria Moreno became an outspoken advocate during a time when women were silenced. Follow Moreno's story and her fight to create equality for farmworkers.

8:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **VOCES ON PBS: THE PUSHOUTS**

Meet Victor Rios, an award-winning professor who, in a past life, was a high school dropout and a gang member. As the school-to-prison pipeline continues to disproportionately affect minorities, Rios works with teens to combat and undermine racial stereotypes and the "push-out" of minority teens from schools.





## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

### 7:00 PM **WETA WORLD** **HOME TRUTH**

This documentary explores one family's pursuit of justice and retribution, and reveals the deep-seated flaws in which society handles cases of domestic violence and abuse.

### 8:00 PM **WETA WORLD** **AMERICA REFRAMED: COUNCILWOMAN**

This film spotlights Carmen Castillo, a first-term city councilwoman who maintains her job as a hotel housekeeper while advocating for a new minimum wage for working families in Providence, Rhode Island.

### 9:00 PM **WETA WORLD** **REEL SOUTH: FIESTA QUINCEÑERA**

Fiestas are a major tradition for Latinx families, but some immigrants find it hard to retain their roots while transplanted in entirely new communities. Learn how three Latina girls work to create their own quinceañeras in efforts to fight for the survival of family traditions.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

### 7:00 PM **WETA WORLD** **POV: THE INFILTRATORS**

Follow the true story of two young immigrants who purposefully get arrested by Border Patrol and placed in a shadowy for-profit detention center. The film follows Marco and Viri, members of a group of radical Dreamers, who are on a mission to stop deportations and believe the best way to do that is from the inside — via detention.

### 8:30 PM **WETA WORLD** **POV: LANDFALL**

In the aftermath of Hurricane María, Puerto Rico was in desperate need of a reorientation. The film explores the legacies of colonialism, exploitation, and failed support systems from the federal government, bringing us to a modern-day Puerto Rico that demands better.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

### 7:00 PM **WETA WORLD** **CUBA: THE FORGOTTEN REVOLUTION**

Learn the legacies of virtually unknown Cuban revolutionaries Frank Paris and Juan Antonia Echeverria, whose work in advocacy were essential in the eventual overthrow of dictator Fulgencio Batista.

### 8:30 PM **WETA WORLD** **POV: STATELESS**

This documentary follows the stories of families affected by the 2013 legislation stripping citizenship from Dominicans of Haitian descent, uncovering the complex history and present-day politics of the relations between Haiti and the Dominican Republic's shared island.





## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

7:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **MAJOR LEAGUE CUBAN BASEBALL**

This film traces the experiences of Cubans at the most accomplished levels of America's national pastime — baseball — and explores their varying cultural and emotional connections to the game.

7:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **BUILDING THE AMERICAN DREAM**

In the shadow of the Texas building empire, construction workers face some of the deadliest conditions in the country. *Building the American Dream* follows three immigrant families who are demanding justice and equality in an industry rife with exploitation.

8:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **THE LATINO AMERICANS — Part 1. Foreigners in Their Own Land**

This Peabody Award-winning WETA production outlines the period from 1565-1880, where the first Spanish conquistadors entered North America, as the U.S. expanded into Southwestern territories.

*Repeats Thursday, 9/30, 8 p.m. on WETA Metro*

9:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **THE LATINO AMERICANS — Part 2. Empire of Dreams**

Immigrants from Cuba, Mexico, and Puerto Rico build, support, and cherish new diasporic communities in South Florida, Los Angeles, and New York.

*Repeats Thursday, 9/30, 9 p.m. on WETA Metro*

10:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **THE LATINO AMERICANS — Part 3. War and Peace**

This episode depicts the stories of Latino Americans who fought for the United States in World War II, but still faced discrimination within the nation they were fighting to protect.

*Repeats Thursday, 9/30, 10 p.m. on WETA Metro*

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

7:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **THE LATINO EXPERIENCE**

The three-part series is a collection of short films that captures only a fragment of the ever-expanding and evolving Latinx community.

2:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **GREAT PERFORMANCES: JOHN LEGUIZAMO'S ROAD TO BROADWAY**

Get a behind-the-scenes look of actor John Leguizamo's Tony-nominated *Latin History for Morons*, a tongue-and-cheek investigation of how Latinx cultures have been represented throughout American history.

3:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **GREAT PERFORMANCES: ROOTS OF LATIN JAZZ**

Dive into the rich, rhythmic world of Latin Jazz with host Shelia E. Packed with performances from global Latin jazz artists, get a glimpse of how the big-band genre got its sound — and stuck.





## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

10:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **DOC WORLD: BORDER SOUTH**

This documentary treks the migrant routes from southern Mexico to the U.S. Mexico border, revealing the immigrants' resilience, ingenuity, and humor as it exposes a global migration system that renders human beings invisible in life as well as death.

11:30 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **POV SHORTS: CHERISH**

Follow three different stories as this film documents some of the many forms of love through memory, community, and family.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

7:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **POV: AMERICA**

Follow the life of Diego, a surf shop worker and performer, whose life takes a turn when he must return to Mexico to care for his grandmother. Split between his love of family and the necessity of earning money, Diego must learn to balance his work and personal life through unforeseen circumstances.

8:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **MAKING IT IN AMERICA**

In the United States, immigrants shape the cultures, lifestyles, and economies of their new communities. This documentary takes a specific look at Miami to investigate how immigrant entrepreneurs are significantly contributing to the economy of Florida and beyond.

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

8:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **AMERICA REFRAMED: THE UNAFRAID**

The film documents the four-year-long story of undocumented Latinx students and their families who, under DACA, are deferred from deportation and are eligible to work. However, under recent administration changes and lack of program funding, these teens must fight for their future as the national debate about immigration continues to evolve.

*Repeats Saturday, 10/2, 10 p.m. on WETA World*

9:30 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **REEL SOUTH: SANTUARIO**

Follow Guatemalan grandmother Juana Ortega as she uses her religion and faith to provide light while facing deportation.

*Repeats Saturday, 10/2, 11:30 p.m. on WETA World*

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

7:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **RE-EVOLUTION — Part 1. The Cuban Dream**

A social worker, ethnographer, and three artists provide unique perspectives on how Cuba is shaped by an ongoing culture of revolution.





## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

7:30 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **RE-EVOLUTION — Part 2. The Embargo**

The film examines the long-lasting, ongoing impact of the U.S. embargo against Cuba — a longstanding prohibition on economic exchange that is known to Cubans as “el bloqueo.”

8:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **RE-EVOLUTION — Part 3. Salud**

This film looks at Cuba’s unique management of health and agricultural resources and examines how development in these areas could highlight possible solutions to global challenges.

8:30 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **RE-EVOLUTION — Part 4. Sueños**

This episode examines individual views and perceptions of Cuba — both internal and external — and the many, varied dreams that are held for the country’s future.

9:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **CUBA: A LIFETIME OF PASSION**

A first-hand look into modern-day Cuba, and the historical formations that define the current realities on the island.

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

8:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **THE LATINO AMERICANS — Part 4. The New Latinos**

The end of World War II and the following decades through the 1960s bring swelling numbers of immigrants from Puerto Rico, Cuba, and the Dominican Republic, seeking economic opportunities in the United States.

*Repeats Thursday, 10/7 at 8 p.m. on WETA Metro*

9:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **THE LATINO AMERICANS — Part 5. Prejudice and Pride**

The proud “Chicano” identity is created as labor leaders organize farm workers in California. Chicano activists strive to create better educational opportunities for Latinos.

*Repeats Thurs 10/7, 9 p.m. on WETA Metro*

10:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **THE LATINO AMERICANS — Part 6. Peril and Promise**

This program spotlights the last three decades of Latino American history, including the rise of undocumented immigration and the ensuing debate over tightening borders, English-only laws, and efforts to brand undocumented individuals as a “drain” on public resources. Simultaneously, this program tracks the Latino influences booming in business, sports, media, politics, and entertainment.

*Repeats Thurs 10/7, 10 p.m. on WETA Metro*





## MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

10:00 PM **WETA PBS**

### **POV: FRUITS OF LABOR**

Ashley, a Mexican-American teenager, has her future dreams put on hold beneath the ever-present threat of deportation. Due to pressure from ICE, Ashley is forced to become the family's breadwinner, working days in a strawberry field, and nights at a food processing company.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

8:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **AMERICA REFRAMED: FIVE YEARS NORTH**

This is the story of Luis and Judy. Luis, a 16-year-old boy from Guatemala, trying to make a living in New York City to support his family back home. Judy, the daughter of immigrants, uncovering the contradictions of her work while trying to make a paycheck. This documentary provides an intimate insight into a broken immigration system, and the real human cost of how that system functions.

*Repeats Saturday, 10/9, 10 p.m. on WETA World*

9:30 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **BECOMING JOHANNA**

A gripping story of a transgender Latina teen, Johanna, who after being kicked out of her home and school for being who she is, finds a loving and supportive foster family that help her graduate and transition.

9:00 PM **WETA PBS & WETA METRO**

### **RYTA MORENO: JUST A GIRL WHO DECIDED TO GO FOR IT: AMERICAN MASTERS**

Follow the story of Rita Moreno's rise to fame and stardom against the odds — as the daughter of Puerto Rican immigrants in the 60s became one of the rare few in history to win an Emmy, Oscar, Grammy, and Tony Award.

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **INDEPENDENT LENS: HARVEST SEASON**

Latinx people are intimately connected to the production of premium wines in the Napa and Sonoma regions of Northern California — yet their stories are rarely told or celebrated. *Harvest Season* reminds viewers of the tangible realities of how their glasses of wine arrive at their doorstep.

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

7:00 PM **WETA WORLD**

### **IVY LEAGUE RUMBA**

Narrated by Afro-Cuban music historian Emilio San Pedro, this film captures some of Latin music's most groundbreaking performers. The work explores the Latinx influence on mainstream American music and world culture by highlighting vital musical exchanges between Cuba, Africa, and the United States.

9:00 PM **WETA PBS & WETA METRO**

### **34TH HISPANIC HERITAGE AWARDS**

Watch as some of the top Hispanic performers and celebrities take the stage to pay tribute to educators, innovators, artists, community members, and others who work to inspire Latinx leaders in all community spaces.

*Repeats Sunday, 10/10, 8 p.m. on WETA World*





## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12

**8:00 PM WETA WORLD**

### **AMERICA REFRAMED: WE LIKE IT LIKE THAT**

This episode uncovers the story of Boogaloo, an infectious, revolutionary mixture of blues, funk and traditional Caribbean rhythms that came together in largely Puerto Rican, Cuban, and African American neighborhoods in the 1960s.

**9:30 PM WETA WORLD**

### **SALSA! THE DANCE SENSATION**

Dubbed by many the most popular social dance in the world, salsa is practiced by people of all ages, ethnicities, and cultures. Learn how this folk tradition exploded into the mainstream, as narrated by singer, songwriter, and record producer Willy Chirino. The film delves into the dance as an art form, as a bonding agent, and as a chronicler of history and family tradition.

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15

**9:00 PM WETA PBS & WETA METRO**

### **LA FRONTERA WITH PATI JINICH**

Delve into an exciting world of cuisines, cultures, and communities along different parts of the Mexican-American border with chef Pati Jinich. Watch as Jinich explores cuisines in different border towns, and gain insight on constantly melding border cultures.

*Repeats Monday, 10/18, 9 p.m. on WETA Metro*

**10:00 PM WETA PBS & WETA METRO**

### **VOCES ON PBS: LETTERS TO ELOISA**

Learn about the life of legendary Cuban poet José Lezama Lima through letters written (1961-1976) to his sister Eloisa living in exile. Learn more about the author's groundbreaking works, as well as his complicated relationship with the Cuban revolutionary state.

*Repeats Monday, 10/18, 10 p.m. on WETA Metro*

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