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**Hispanic Heritage Celebrated at the State Capitol**  
**with a Special Saturday Event on October 20th**

**Salem, Ore.** -- National Hispanic Heritage Month, September 15 to October 15, 2018, will be celebrated with a concluding event at the Oregon State Capitol on Saturday, October 20, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event is free and the public is invited to attend, rain or shine. The four-hour event, which includes family-friendly activities like musical entertainment, crafts, exhibits, speakers and more, is sponsored by the Oregon State Capitol Foundation as part of the Capitol History Gateway project.

There will also be two presentations given that day. Starting at 11 a.m. in Hearing Room D, the Instituto de Cultura Oregoniana will be presenting a program on poetry in Oregon and unveil a new book, and the Department of Education at Chemeketa will discuss the Seal of Biliteracy Project and creation of bilingual educators. At 12:15 p.m. in the Hearing Room D Western Oregon University's Dr. JM Persanch will lead a discussion in the study of Spanish a formal level in higher education.

Other performances that day include harpist Antonio Centurion playing Latin American music, Ballet Papalotl from Portland, and guitarist Mario Diaz.

This celebration is one in a series of special events which invites Oregonians into "the people's building" on a Saturday, while offering a **fun** and educational family experience. Parking around the Capitol is free on the weekends. More information can be found at [www.oregoncapitol.com](http://www.oregoncapitol.com) or by calling Visitor Services at 503-986-1388.