

Hispanic Heritage Month

2015 Events

**Tuesday
September 15th**

3:00 - 5:00 P.M.
Grand River Room
Russel H Kirkhof Center
Allendale Campus

Café Con Leche Networking Reception

Come and join us for an evening of mixing and mingling with Latino/a Faculty & Staff, students, and community members and learn about different opportunities at GVSU. Open to all! Coffee and desserts will be served. RSVP: oma-kc@gvsu.edu by September 10.

**Monday
September 28th**

1:30 - 2:30 P.M.
Grand River Room
Russel H Kirkhof Center
Allendale Campus

Aquí Estamos, Here We Are: José Galvez

Sponsors: Areas Studies, Latin American Studies and Office of Multicultural Affairs.

For over 40 years, Pulitzer Prize Winning Photographer, José Galvez has used black and white film to create a powerful and unparalleled historical record of the Latino experience in America. His compelling work, done with respect, pride and no pretense, captures the beauty of daily life. His photographs have been exhibited in museums and galleries here and abroad, including the Smithsonian.

**Thursday
October 8th**

12:00 - 1:30 P.M.
Cook DeWitt Center
Allendale Campus

(Reception following lecture)

A Story of Latina Excellence: Marylou Olivarez Mason

Through the years, Dr. Marylou Olivarez Mason struggled through poverty and discrimination as a child migrant worker, woman, Latina, and single parent. She has accomplished noteworthy achievements including becoming founder of Michigan Hispanic Heritage Month, serving with both Democratic and Republican governors, becoming the first woman to be named executive director of the Michigan Commission on Spanish-Speaking Affairs by Gov. James J. Blanchard, and founding of Advocates for Latino Student Advancement in Michigan Education. Dr. Mason was honored as Hispanic Woman of the Year in 2000 by the National Hispana Leadership Institute in Washington, DC. In 2005,