

HBPA NEXT MONTHLY MEETING

Wednesday, September 11, 2019

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Sabes Que: Hannel Sanchez from
Mujeres in Action (MiA), and
Aaron McMurray, Chief Strategy
Officer from Innovia Foundation
Fiesta Mexicana
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National Hispanic Heritage Month

In 1968, Congress first designated the week including September 15 and 16 as National Hispanic Heritage Week. In 1988, Congress expanded the week to a full 31-day period from September 15 to October 15 to celebrate the cultural, heritage, and contributions of the diverse cultures within the Hispanic community. This time frame was chosen because of two historical events: independence for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua on September 15, 1821 and Mexico's struggle for Independence began on September 16, 1810 against Spain.

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Thank you to all members who staffed the booth at Unity in the Community Cultural Villages, donated school supplies, egg shells, and brought items for display.

Upcoming HBPA Events/Information

5th Annual Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) – November 1, 2019 (6 pm-9 pm)

Next meeting is Monday September 9, 2019 at 5:00 pm at Hazen and Jaeger, 1306 N Pines Rd, Spokane Valley. Members are invited to participate in the planning of this event. All members and their families are invited to attend. This event is free and open to the public.

Viva Vino & Brew is looking for volunteers to assist with this event, interested, email www.hbpspokane@gmail.com. To be held Saturday evening, **February 1, 2020**, Shriners Event Center. The next meeting is September 19, 2019 at 5:30 pm at De Leon's Taco & Bar, 1801 N Hamilton.

Hispanic/Latinx Health Assessment Survey

The survey has closed for responses. Next steps will be for the Spokane Regional Health District to compile the responses. In addition, in September several focus groups with about 10 Hispanics/Latinx will take place. One focus group will be in English, a second focus group will be in Spanish for Spokane County. If you have any questions, please contact Larry Valadez at 509.499.3812.

MiA Bio

MiA - Mujeres in Action is a volunteer-based nonprofit organization committed to support and advocate for Latinx survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault in Spokane. Our job is also to empower women and their families, to educate the Latinx community about gender violence and to help improve access to local resources for this vulnerable community. MiA was founded by Hannel Sanchez in September 2018 while attending Eastern Washington University as a full-time student.

Celebration – Call for submissions

¡Celebremos! Is an all Latinx community choice art show curated by Spokane Gallery and LTNX Artes celebrating the diversity and cultural heritage of Latinos, Latinas, and Latinx artists in the Pacific Northwest. Submit art work by September 4, 2019 midnight. Artwork must be label and ready to hang. Labels must have artist name, phone, email, title, selling price. One piece per artist. Show dates are September 20, 2019 to October 31, 2019. Send submission and questions to ltnxartes@gmail.com.

Hispanic Heritage Month (HHM) Events

There are various Hispanic Heritage Month events for September and October. The City of Spokane Libraries has various events throughout September/October which includes several of our members presenting. In addition, Stage Center left has a play for September, and Latino Hope Foundation has several events for September. See below for free community events, side bar for events that charge a fee. Only events taking place from September 1-15 are listed on page 2; events from September 16 thru October 31 will be listed in the respective newsletters.

New Business HBPA Member
Purple Crayon – Juan Mas

This month's business member bio is on
Marandos

Mario Ruiz Ramirez and his wife Belky Makiko Rizzo are the owners of Marando's Bar & Restaurant located in Spokane Valley. They decided to open this restaurant because they wanted to provide more variety of Latin America food in the area. The restaurant has been open since January of 2018 and has been one of the most popular places for dancing, concerts, and community events; which are free to the Latino/a community or non-profits organizations.

Mario and his wife have been married for 32 years, they have 4 kids, all boys, three which graduated from Eastern Washington University. They moved from Los Angeles to Spokane in search for a safer and more stable place to raise their kids. Mario is from Guatemala, while his wife Belky is from Ecuador. Their different heritage is what makes their restaurant so appealing, bridging Central and South American foods. Before being restaurant owner's Mario worked in financial industry and Belky continues to work in local government. The three most important things in their lives are: their faith, their family and their business. It is a pleasure to be part of the Spokane community.

HHM Event with a Cost:

References to Salvador Dali Make Me Hot
by Jose Rivera, directed by Juan Mas

Following the Persian Gulf War, Gabriela, a beautiful young woman, awaits the return of her husband, Benito; who has been forever changed by the war and its aftermath. Imagined through the mating rituals of a cat and a coyote, Gabriela delivers Benito an ultimatum.

Dates: Thursday-Sunday, September 6-22, 2019

Time: 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm Thursday-

Saturday, 2:00 pm on Sunday

Location: Spokane Stage Left, 108 W 3rd Ave

Cost: \$25.00

For more information visit their website at <http://spokanestageleft.org/> or call 509.838.9727.

Free Community Events

Spanish Storytime

A special story time presented in Spanish. Listen to a fun story, sing a song and make a craft.

Date: Saturday, September 7, 2019 | Time: 10:00am – 11:00 pm

Location: South Hill Library, 3324 S Perry St

Cost: Free and open to the public. This event is best for children ages 0 to Kindergarten. Young children should be accompanied by a caretaker.

For more information, visit their website at

<https://www.spokanelibrary.org/calendar/>. Sponsored by Latinos en Spokane.

Hispanic Heritage Festival – Fiesta Spokane

Date: Saturday, September 7, 2019 | Time: noon-8:00 pm

Location: Post Street next to City Hall

Cost: Free and open to the public

For more information visit www.latinohopefoundation.org.

A Guatemalan Family's Recent Experience at the Border

Presenters: Jennyfer Mesa (Latinx Advocate and Founder of Latinos en Spokane), and Abigail Bocanegra (Latinx Advocate and Child Mental Health Therapist).

This program will explore a Guatemalan family's recent experience of being separated at a border detention facility and the issue of child trauma development.

Date: Tuesday, September 10, 2019 | Time: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Location: South Hill Library, 3324 S Perry Street

Cost: Free and open to the Public

For more information, visit their website at <https://www.spokanelibrary.org/calendar/>

"Gol!" Fútbol in Latin America: A Religion, a Political Tool, a Way of Life, and a Drug Lord's Toy

With the recent success of the American team in the Women's World Cup, interest in football (soccer) has grown tremendously. Ivan Torres from HBPA will examine the sport's significance in Latin America and its exploitation through politics and drug cartels. He will also address the social, cultural and spiritual meaning in many Latin American countries.

Date: Sunday, September 15, 2019 | Time: 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Location: Shadle Library, 2111 W Wellesley Ave

Cost: Free and open to the public

For more information, visit their website at <https://www.spokanelibrary.org/calendar/>

JOB OPENINGS -

Avista: <https://www.myavista.com/about-us/our-company/working-at-avista>

City of Spokane: <https://my.spokanecity.org/jobs/classified/>

City of Spokane Valley: <http://www.spokanevalley.org/Employment>

Community Colleges of Spokane:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/ccspokane>

Crawl Pros Co: www.crawlpros.com/spokane or email info@crawlpros.com

Eastern WA University: <https://inside.ewu.edu/hr/apply-for-jobs/>

Frito Lay/PepsiCo: <https://fritolayemployment.com/>

Gonzaga University: www.gonzaga.edu/jobs

Indeed.com – Spokane jobs: <https://www.indeed.com/l-Spokane,-WA-jobs.html>

NARL Pro-Choice WA: [https://prochoicewashington.org/about/jobs-](https://prochoicewashington.org/about/jobs-internships/eastern-wa-organizer/)

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Spokane County: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/spokanecountywa>

Spokane Police Department: <https://my.spokanecity.org/police/officer/jobs/>

Spokane Regional Health District:

<https://srhd.org/programs-and-services/human-resources-1>

Spokane Transit Authority: <https://www.spokanetransit.com/employment/job-listings>

Washington WorkSource: <https://www.worksourcewa.com/>

H&R Block - Take your tax knowledge to the next level:

H&R Block classes are a simple, convenient way to learn everything you ever wanted to know about taxes but were too afraid to ask. Our income tax preparation course can help you master your annual return and even lead to a potential job. Contact Brittnee Reyes, PSM, at 509-217-5076 or email her at brittnee.reyes@tax.hrblock.com to learn more!

Take our Virtual Income Tax Course

H&R Block is looking for people who are driven to make a difference and take pride in exceeding client expectations to join our team as a seasonal Tax Preparer, serving clients with diverse tax needs. Joining H&R Block as a Tax Professional means you'll have the support of an expert team, dedicated to providing you with the advanced tax training and certification you'll need to be successful.

What you'll do... · Conduct face-to-face tax interviews with clients · Prepare complete and accurate tax returns · Generate business growth, increase client retention, and offer additional products and services · Provide IRS audit support · Support office priorities through teamwork and collaboration

What you'll bring to the role... · Ability to effectively communicate in person and in writing · Experience working in a fast-paced environment · Successful completion of the H&R Block Tax Knowledge Assessment or Income Tax Course · Must complete 18-hour continuing education requirement and meet all other IRS and applicable state requirements · High School Diploma or equivalent

For more information about the Income Tax Course starting in September, contact Brittnee Reyes, PSM at brittnee.reyes@tax.hrblock.com or call/text 509-217-5076

LEGAL: Enrollment restrictions and course material fees may apply. Enrollment in, or completion of, the H&R Block Income Tax course is neither an offer nor a guarantee of employment.

Class Information

Virtual Income Tax Classes Starting 9/3, 9/14, and 9/18

This course combines self-paced study and online learning with virtual classroom instruction from highly-trained and specialized tax professionals. This approach provides learned with 72 hours of instruction. There are 53 hours of instructor-led sessions (45 hours of Federal and 6 hours of State tax), 21 hours of self-study, and 6 hours of dedicated software practice.

Learners must have access to the following technology:

- A computer with internet connectivity
- A phone line to dial in, or computer equipped with speakers and a mic to use WebEx Audio (VoIP) Conference.
- A calculator

Community Requests:

Be the Match – Bone Marrow Donor Registry

Be The Match's commitment to donors:

If you are a match for a patient Be The Match will,

1. Call you and ask you to give another cheek swab sample or to give a little blood for testing to see if you are the best match for the patient in need. This test will be done locally.
2. If you are the best match this is when you will be asked to be a donor.
3. Be The Match will pay for all medical expenses and any travel expenses required for the donation.
4. Be The Match will give you an orientation so that you fully understand the process of bone marrow donation and peripheral blood stem cell donation.
5. You will be given a physical to be sure that you are healthy enough to be a donor.

When you make the donation, you will be sent to a donation center. The two closest to the Spokane area are in Seattle, WA and Portland, OR. Two types of donating bone marrow cells: 1) Peripheral blood stem cell donation, used 80% of the time and 2) Bone marrow donation, used 20% of the time.

How to join:

Simply text "life" to 61474. This will lead you to the **Be The Match** website. You complete a form that has contact information and a simple medical screening to see if you are eligible to be a donor.

Your Commitments to Be The Match.