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Events Calendar

musician Enrique Chi.

Olathe Latino Coalition

Celebrate the histories, cultures and contributions of Latino-Americans. **Free** events and activities from September 15 through October 15.**

(**) small entrance fee for **Wild West Days.**

| Date | Event | Location |
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| Sept. 1 7 to 8 PM | Mayoral Proclamation: Mayor Michael Copeland proclaims September 15 to October 15, 2015, National Hispanic Heritage Month. | Olathe City Hall 100 E. Santa Fe OlatheKS.org |
| Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 | Latino Art Exhibit: View diverse local artwork influenced by bicultural community experiences. | HealthRidge Fitness Center 17800 W. 106 th St. HealthRidgeFitness.com |
| Sept. 17 6:30 to 8:30 PM | Trade Along the Santa Fe Trail*: After a showing of <i>Foreigners in Their Own Land</i> , an episode of the PBS documentary, <i>Latino Americans: 500 Years of History</i> , Gene Chavez, Ed.D., will discuss trade along the Santa Fe Trail, including the Mahaffie Stagecoach Stop & Farm. Event hosted by the Olathe Historical Society. | Heritage Center at Mahaffie 1200 E. Kansas City Rd. Mahaffie.org OlatheHistoricalSociety.org |
| Sept. 17 4 to 5 PM | American Girl Memory Boxes: Create a personalized memory box perfect for storing your small treasures and mementos while you learn about the Santa Fe Trail. Children grades K-5 are recommended for this program inspired by the American Girl character Josefina and presented in conjunction with Mahaffie Stagecoach Stop & Farm. | Olathe Downtown Library 201 E. Park St. OlatheLibrary.org |
| Sept. 19 10 to 11:30 AM | Story Walk: Families can stroll along an outdoor trail and read a fun, educational story in Spanish and English. Children three and under will receive a complimentary book. This event is sponsored by Parents as Teachers. In case of rain, event will move to 315 N. Lindenwood. | Olathe Community Center 1205 E. Kansas City Rd. 315 N Lindenwood (rain site) OlatheKS.org/ParksRec |
| Sept. 19 10 AM to 1 PM | Mi Casa es Su Casa Open House: Stop by for healthy family fun and wellness activities, including ZUMBA, wall climbing, soccer shootout, salsa food workshop, gym and pool access. | Olathe Family YMCA 21400 W. 153rd St. KansasCityYMCA.org |
| Sept. 22 6:30 to 8:30 PM | Latinos Laid the Rails*: Railroads crisscross Olathe, carrying goods and people throughout the nation. We'll watch <i>Empire of Dreams</i> , an episode of the PBS documentary series, <i>Latino Americans: 500 Years of History</i> and learn about the families who fled the Mexican Revolution of 1910. Then Antonio Delgado, Ph.D., will share his recent research regarding refugees who fled north to Kansas and worked for the Santa Fe Railroad. | Heritage Center at Mahaffie 1200 E. Kansas City Rd. Mahaffie.org |
| Sept. 24 5 to 8 PM | Hispanic Chamber After Hours: Network with KC Metro business owners and representatives. This event is hosted by Sysco and Enterprise Bank & Trust. | Enterprise Bank & Trust 444 E. Santa Fe. EnterpriseBank.com HCCGKC.com |
| Sept. 25-26 and Oct. 2-3 | Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Academy Training: Attend four days of Spanish-language (en español) emergency preparedness training for a total of 24 hours. Training includes terrorism response, team organization, fire suppression, search and rescue, and disaster medical. Advance signup is required. | Olathe Fire Administration 1225 S. Hamilton Cir. OlatheKS.org/Fire/CERT |
| Sept. 26 & 27 11 AM to 4 PM | Wild West Days: Experience live music and children's activities, stagecoach rides and games in the spirit of the Old West. Sunday, Rose Marie's Fiesta Mexicana Dancers will perform.; Admission: \$5 per person, ages 5 and up; \$20 for family of five. | Heritage Center at Mahaffie 1200 E. Kansas City Rd. Mahaffie.org |
| Sept. 29 5 to 6:30 PM | US Economic Policies Panel*: Judy Ancel, director, Workers Education and Labor Studies Program, University of Missouri at Kansas City, and Peter Haney, assistant director, Center for Latin American & Caribbean Studies, University of Kansas, will discuss the impact of North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and other U.S. economic policies on Latin America. | Olathe Indian Creek Library 12990 S. Black Bob Rd. OlatheLibrary.org |
| Sept. 29 6:30 to 8:30 PM | Hispanic Family College Fair : Hispanic high school students and families are invited to Spanish-language presentations (<i>en español</i>) about college prep and enrollment, financial aid and scholarships, application processes and timelines, course schedules and other opportunities for high school graduates. Attendees can visit with college and university representatives. | Olathe North High School 600 E. Prairie St. OlatheSchools.com |
| Oct. 5 6:30 to 8:30 PM | Enrique's Journey Author Chat*: Meet Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Sonia Nazario, and join the discussion about this story that puts a human face on the immigration reform debate. Books will be available for purchasing and autographing at the event. Books available for purchase. Author will sign books at the event. | Indian Trail Middle School 1440 E 151st St. OlatheSchools.com |
| Oct. 6 6:30 to 8:30 PM | Tuesday Tunes with Maria the Mexican*: Mariachi music meets folk, rock and blues. | Olathe Downtown Library 201 E. Park St., OlatheLibrary.org |
| Oct. 13 7 to 9 PM | Latino American Culture*: Music by local Latino band Trio Atzlan, a fashion show of traditional Latin American dress and dancing by El Grupo Folklorico Atotonilco. Spanishlanguage CERT participants will graduate. | Heritage Center at Mahaffie 1200 E. Kansas City Rd., Mahaffie.org |
| Oct. 15 6:30 - 10 PM | The Continuing Struggle*: Gene Chavez, Ed.D., will provide a historical overview of the Latino struggle for civil rights. Watch <i>Prejudice and Pride</i> , an episode of the PBS documentary series, <i>Latino Americans: 500 Years of History</i> . Members of groups past and present who led those efforts are encouraged to attend. Music will be provided by local Panamanian/Mexican musician Enrique Chi. | Heritage Center at Mahaffie 1200 E. Kansas City Rd., Mahaffie.org |

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