

2024 Hispanic Heritage Month Celebrations

***September 16**

Coffee in the lobby (City Center @ Hanna Ave.)

- Coffee and pastelitos: 8am while supplies last
 - Sponsored by the City of Tampa Community Engagement and Partnerships Department
- Launch of Hispanic Businesses page in *Tampa en Español*

Summary: This initiative was created in collaboration with the Chamber of Commerce of Tampa Bay to showcase Hispanic owned businesses in the Tampa Bay area.

Sept 16 – October 31 (City Center @ Hanna Ave

Art Exhibit

Summary: this event gives us an opportunity to celebrate the diversity of our city by officially marking the beginning of Hispanic Heritage season. We will also showcase artwork provided by Tampa Hispanic Heritage, Inc., from Poster Contest participants from years past. The winner of this year's poster contest will also be available to sign copies of their artwork on September 16.

September 16 – October 16 (Announcement: November 13, 2024)

MHHC/Hillsborough County School Poster & Bookmark Contest

Our Hispanic Heritage: Celebrating Hillsborough's History and Culture

September 21, 2024

THHI Hispanic Woman and Man of the Year Gala

6pm

Hilton Tampa Downtown

Summary: in its 36th edition, Tampa Hispanic Heritage, Inc. will honor Andrea Gonzmart Williams and Rafael Gonzalez, Esq as their Woman and Man of the Year for their lifetime achievements. This is the organization's main signature event, and its purpose is to raise funds for scholarships for Hispanic students, many of whom are first in their families to attend college, attending HCC and USF.

***September 28-29, 2024**

Viva Tampa Bay Hispanic Heritage Festival

11am-9pm

Curtis Hixon Waterfront Park

Summary: Viva Tampa Hispanic Heritage Festival is an exciting Family, Art, Culinary & Cultural Festival, celebrating the beauty of Tampa Bay's Hispanic Communities. Guests will enjoy a variety of Latin culinary tastes, display partner activations & demos, musical entertainment, and local Latin artisans. This event showcases the history, heritage, and traditions of the Hispanic culture in Tampa.

***October 1, 2024**

36th City of Tampa Annual Hispanic Heritage Celebration

11am

Tampa Theater

Summary: The Mayor's Hispanic Heritage Committee (MHHC) invites you to celebrate 36 years of educational and community services. This event allows the organization to support vocational/technical scholarships and community programs. This year's Guest Speaker is Mr. Orestes Destrade. The Emcee of the event will be Sarykarmen Rivera

November 2, 2024

MHAC Ascend Gala

6pm

Location Tampa History Museum

Summary: This event will help raise funds to support graduate level college dreams for Latino students at the University of South Florida.

***Community Engagement/City of Tampa Sponsored Events**