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Hispanic celebration: Marcé Zerrate and Carlos Rivera entertain those in attendance at Monday's kickoff celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month with a folk dance in the Central Library.

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Hispanic Heritage Month is here

The Hispanic Heritage Council of Western New York has announced a variety of activities to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, which began Monday and runs through Oct. 15.

Highlights of this year's celebration include:

- "Salsa Meets Symphony" at 7 p.m. today in Kleinhans Music Hall with the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra. The free concert will feature Casimiro Rodriguez Jr. and the Salsa in Motion Band, Baila Salsa Dance Company, Salsa for the Soul and the Monarch Dance Company. Free tickets are available at the Kleinhans box office.

- A small-business Resource Fair from 8 to 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Hispanics United of Buffalo, 254 Virginia St. The fair is for entrepreneurs and aspiring business owners and will include presentations from representatives of the U.S. Small Business Administration, the

Small Business Development Center at SUNY Buffalo State, SCORE Buffalo Niagara and the Women's Business Center. For information, contact Kelly LoTempio of the SBA at 551-4301 or kelly.lotempio@sba.gov.

- "Echando Raices: Hispanics Building a Life and Legacy in Western New York," which opens at 5 p.m. Wednesday in the Buffalo History Museum. The exhibit chronicles the local achievements and contributions of Hispanics, who began immigrating to Buffalo and Western New York in the late 1800s from Spain, Mexico, Cuba and regions in South and Central America and the Caribbean, including Puerto Rico. Admission to the opening is free. A program begins at 6 p.m. and refreshments will be served.

- "Salsa for a Cure" at 8 p.m. next Friday, featuring live music and performances, salsa les-

sons and a salsa competition with prizes. It will be held at the Pucho Olivencia Community Center, 261 Swan St. Tickets are \$10 with proceeds benefiting Roswell Park Cancer Institute.

- The Hispanic Women's League's 35th annual Scholarship Dinner, "Back to Our Roots," at 5 p.m. Oct. 11 in the Pucho Olivencia Community Center. Last year, the league awarded \$7,750 in scholarships to nine Hispanic women studying in a variety of fields.

The monthlong celebration also includes the Hispanic Heritage Month Film Series featuring "The Pope's Toilet" on Wednesday and Thursday, "A Bad Day to Go Fishing" on Oct. 1-2 and "Adventurera" on Oct. 8-9. Each film starts at 5 p.m. and will be screened the first day in the Niagara Branch Library, 280 Porter Ave., and the second day in the Central Library downtown.



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