

Mini-Conference

# "Latinos in Utah"

## Friday, 26 March

### 238 HRCB, free and open to the public

The purpose of this mini-conference is to explore issues and concerns of the Latino community in Utah and to identify ways in which greater understanding of their past and their future can be obtained and disseminated to the public. Our goal is to stimulate interest in Utah's Latino community and to create a dialogue between institutions and individuals to discuss problems and solutions. The mini-conference will look at the successes of, as well as the obstacles confronted by, local organizations and individuals in the areas of law, business, culture, and history, as they have sought to meet the needs of the growing number of Latinos within Utah communities. We will also explore the challenges, contributions, goals, and future of Utah's Latino community.

**9:00 A.M.**

Keynote Address

"A Remote Corner of Aztlan: Mexican Americans and other Latinos in Utah, 1900–2000"

Jorge Iber, associate professor of history, Texas Tech University  
Author of *Hispanics in the Mormon Zion, 1912-1999*, Texas A & M University Press, June 2000; second edition (paperback) June 2001

Poetry Presentation

"Aztecs in the US" recited by Jonathan Wade

**10:00–11:00 A.M.**

"The Universidad Hispana: Educating Hispanics in Utah"

Arturo De Hoyos, president, Universidad Hispana

"Facing Challenges and Navigating in the American Financial System"

Gladys Gonzalez, founder and current publisher and editor, *Mundo Hispano Newspaper*

She represents the Hispanic Community at the Hispanic Task Force in Washington, D.C., is a board member at Centro de la Familia de Utah, and is also the founder and chair of the Pete Suazo Business Center.

Poetry Presentation

"La hora de los mameyes" recited by Annalee Brown

**11:00–12:00 P.M.**

"Utah, Latinos, Catholics, and Mormons: Situating Utah within Latino Studies Parameters"

Armando Solorzano, associate professor of family and consumer studies, U of U

Ignacio García, associate professor of history, BYU

**1:30–2:30 P.M.**

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Leticia Medina, Utah Office of Hispanic Affairs

"Latinos and the Law"

David Dominguez, professor of law, BYU

Laina Arras, associate editor of *BYU Education and Law Journal*, BYU

Poetry Presentation

"Imagina los angeles de pan" recited by Ruth Flores Orozco

**2:30–3:30 P.M.**

"Migrations of a Latino Artist"

José Riveros, Chilean artist

George Handley, associate professor of humanities, BYU

Poetry Presentation

"Y no se lo tragó la tierra" recited by Sonia Quiroga Thomas

**3:30–4:30 P.M.**

Roundtable discussion

**4:30 P.M.**

Fiesta (with music and food)