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### **Palo Alto College features local production, *Children of the Revolucion*, during Hispanic Heritage Month celebration**

*A showing and panel discussion of the PBS/KLRN series produced and directed by Lionel and Kathy Sosa is part of the month-long celebration at the College*

Palo Alto College is celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month – *Heritage, Diversity, Integrity and Honor: The Renewed Hope of America* – through Oct. 15.

As part of the celebration, the college will show the PBS/KLRN series, *Children of the Revolucion*, from Sept. 26-30 from 1-3:30 p.m. in Room 101 of the Palo Alto College Performing Arts Center. The showings are free and open to the public. Local producers Lionel and Kathy Sosa will also hold a panel discussion on Wednesday, Sept. 28, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. The panel will consist of the producers and local history makers from the series. They will have an in-depth discussion on the cultural and historical impact Latinos had on Texas, especially San Antonio.

The Sosas along with associate producer Jesus Ramirez assembled a crew of San Antonio's most talented cinematographers, musicians, editors and storytellers to create a series that will bring to light the little known stories about the families who helped develop the rich cultural fabric of San Antonio. *Children of the Revolucion* tells the story beginning 100 years ago, when tens of thousands of families from Mexico came to Texas to escape the revolution that left their country in shambles. This exodus jumpstarted today's Latinization of Texas and America's Southwest. These "Children of the Revolucion" tell the stories of their ancestors who risked it all to make this journey, helping to make America stronger, prouder, and better.

The month-long Hispanic Heritage celebration at Palo Alto College kicked off on Sept. 15 with guest speaker Enrique Romero, Mexican Consulate. Romero discussed the history of El Grito and Latin America's Independence. This presentation was followed by a Grito contest among Palo Alto College students with two winning students each receiving a \$250 scholarship.

Upcoming events, all free and open to the public, include:

- Sept. 21 - Salsa, Merengue and Cumbia lessons by renowned dance instructor Angel Santiago.  
10 am – 1 pm in the Student Center Annex
  
- Sept. 26-30 Showing: Children of the Revolucion  
1-3:30 pm  
Performing Arts Center, Rm. 101
  
- Sept. 28 - Panel Discussion and reception  
Children of the Revolucion  
6:30-8:30 pm  
Performing Arts Center
  
- Oct. 3 & 6 - South Texas Blood & Tissue Center Blood Drive  
9 am – 3 pm  
Student Center Annex
  
- Oct. 4 - Celebrating Diversity with PAC International Students  
Students from Nicaragua will showcase crafts from their country  
Food sampling  
11 am – 1 pm  
Student Center Annex
  
- Oct. 6 - National Latino AIDS Awareness Day  
Various health and community organizations will be on campus to provide important information about HIV prevention, testing and treatment.  
10am – 1pm  
Student Center Annex

Palo Alto College, one of the Alamo Colleges, is a fully accredited community college located on the Southside of San Antonio. It awards associate degrees and short-term certificates and offers non-credit continuing education classes. The campus is located at 1400 W. Villaret Blvd. at I-410 and Texas Hwy. 16 or online at [alamo.edu/pac](http://alamo.edu/pac).