



Social Justice Working Group Newsletter

"I hope I'll see in my lifetime a growing realization that we are one world. And that no one is going to have quality of life unless we support everyone's quality of life"

-Dr. Helen Rodriguez-Trias, Pediatrician and Activist

The ORA Social Justice working group is charged with keeping ORA staff informed of opportunities to engage in activities on Emory's campus and the greater Atlanta area around social justice, diversity, and inclusion. Our newsletter aims to provide relevant information and events to stay connected to the Emory and Atlanta community.



Hispanic Heritage Month

We celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15, as these dates align with the independence dates of several Latino-American countries. This is a time to remember all the LatinX community's accomplishments and contributions to the USA. You can find more information about this celebration [here](#) and [here](#).

Celebrating the Contributions of the Largest Minority in the US

LatinX people have fought in every war, and they are intrinsically linked with the growth and history of the USA. "If we know how to listen, every aspect of our national life can speak to the contributions of Hispanics in this country. From the media to the arts, from the business world to our history, Latinxs have not only been participants but also shapers of the U.S. fabric."

Recently, the Smithsonian has opened an exhibition about LatinX contributions that you can visit [virtually here](#).

Information from [Unidos US](#).



Native American Heritage Month (November 1-30)

America is a vast land with many cultures dating back thousands

of years to the original inhabitants of the land. The history and heritage of Native Americans, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians, and Island communities are part of every national park and community across the country today. Every November during Native American Heritage Month and throughout the year, the National Park Service and our partners share the history and the continuing culture of America's indigenous peoples.

From: <https://www.nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov/>



Events and Other Updates

SJWG Events

- "What is Latinx? Health and Identity Labels": Discussion [Taina Figueroa](#), Dr. [Roxana Chicas](#), and [David Ramirez](#) will discuss the term's history, creation, and health-related issues. More details are coming soon.
- **Stonewall Uprising Documentary**: During October, we will show this documentary during a lunch and learn—more details to come.
- **Movie Night: Killer of the Flower Moon**; Honoring Native American Heritage. "First Nations". The movie opens on Friday, 20 Oct 2023, and we are organizing an outing together. Keep tuned for more information.
- **Giving Thanks: ORA Family**: Celebrating the Differences. Sharing Time: Lives and Experiences. More details are coming up.
- **ORA SJWG Panel on Monday, October 30, from 1:15 - 2:45 PM during the Emory ORA Research Week**. [ORA SJWG](#) panel in which researchers from Emory who do work in social justice present their research related to social justice followed by Q&A

Panelists:

- Judy Gichoya, MD, MS, Assistant Professor, Department of Radiology
- Rose and Michelle as a team:
- Rose Horton, MSN, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, Executive Director of Women and Infant Services at Emory Decatur Hospital
- Michelle Pratt, RNC-MNN, C-ONQS, Unit Director (OB Education) at Emory Decatur Hospital
- Eri Saikawa, PhD, MPA, Associate Professor, Department of Environmental Sciences

Moderators:

- Maria Davila, MD, MAB, CCRC, CIP, Director of Office of Research Integrity and Compliance and Co-Chair of ORA SJWG
- Michelle Kalbeitzer, MSIOP, Emory IRB Research Protocol Analyst and ORA SJWG member
- Briana Rotterman, MA, MS, CIP, Emory IRB QA, and Education Research Protocol Analyst
- Jumionne Tiako, MPH, Director for Award Setup and Close Out Research Grants and Contracts (RGC) and Co-Chair of ORA SJWG

[Check out our site](#) for upcoming events, including Research Week!

Emory and Other Events

- **Vamos to the Carlos!** Join the Carlos and Georgia Public Broadcasting to celebrate the beginning of Hispanic Heritage Month with Raúl the Third, the award-winning author and illustrator of the bilingual ¡Vamos! Series. Find more [information here](#).
- **The Emory Latinx Employee Resource Network is hosting an event** at the Carlos Museum to celebrate the brand-new exhibition "You Belong Here." September 14, 2023, from 4 to 6 pm. Everyone is invited! Refreshments will be served. You can find more [information here](#).

[You can find more Emory and Atlanta events here.](#)

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