

# experience LA

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Cultural Treasures and Regional Transit

## Did You Know?

Biddy Mason was a former slave and black nurse/midwife who became a successful entrepreneur and a generous contributor to social causes. She was one of the first African American women to own land in Los Angeles, and in 1872 she and her son-in-law, Charles Owens, founded and financed the Los Angeles branch of the First African Methodist Episcopal Church, L.A.'s first black church. Visit **Biddy Mason Park** and see the public art installations that honor this extraordinary woman.

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Los Angeles.

## About Experience LA

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## Hispanic Heritage Month

Hispanic Heritage month occurs from September 15th through October 15th. Appreciate the richness and diversity of Hispanic Heritage at these events.



### Latino Heritage Celebración

Take your kids to the LA Zoo to celebrate Mexican Independence Day on Sept. 17 and 18. This event includes all-day live entertainment, arts and crafts workshops for children, and pinata breakings.



### Latin Fusion

After more than 30 years as percussionist Latin Jazz legend Pete Escovedo debuts his collected Artworks at NoHo Gallery LA from Sept. 1 to Sept. 28. His style of painting fuses radiant and vibrant colors with textured canvases mixed with pre-Columbian, Mexican,

Peruvian, African and French influences. In celebration of Latin Heritage Month, NoHo Gallery LA will also highlight some of L.A.'s most talented Latino artists representing a beautiful blend of art mediums and styles.



### Behind the Altar: Retablos

From Sept. 22 to Dec. 31, the Craft and Folk Art Museum presents "Behind the Altar", an exhibit of retablos, the colorful Catholic iconography indigenous to Mexico. Retablos are small oil paintings on metal or wood, depicting one of the hundreds of Catholic saints invoked for benediction. With its roots deeply embedded in Spanish proletariat heritage, the retablo art form took form in post conquest Mexico and flourished in the late 19th century.