



Teatro Milagro

From left, Ajai Terrazas Tripathi, Cati Rangel, Pedro Adan Dominguez and Suleyma Alamillo are the cast of 'Blast Off!'

Consejo Hispano celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month virtually

Children's events scheduled through Nov. 6

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This month, mariachis and panpipes will be traded for craft kits. A bilingual play will be hosted online rather than in an auditorium. The traditional Mexican game of chance, Lotería, will bring the community together virtually too.

Consejo Hispano, a Hispanic advocacy organization on the North Coast, celebrates National Hispanic Heritage Month annually between Sep. 15 and Oct. 15. Usually,

festivities include live music, dance performances and hands-on activities for kids.

In response to the coronavirus pandemic, the organization redesigned its month of programming to engage both virtually and at a few socially-distanced events. Several events focus on encouraging bilingual literacy and learning for children.

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Month is already halfway through but there are still several events to check out before the festivities end.

One of the highlights will be a virtual

performance on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. of the kid-friendly play "Blast Off!" from Portland theater company Teatro Milagro. The play tells the story of a young girl who becomes inspired by the first Latina astronaut, Dr. Ellen Ochoa. There will be a live Q&A with the actors after the show.

A bilingual "story walk" at Ilwaco Community Park will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. Participants can take a walk in the park while

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