Latin American Related Organizations in the Pittsburgh Area

Student Organizations

Caribbean and Latin American Students Association (CLASA)
University of Pittsburgh
sorc+clas@pitt.edu
www.pitt.edu/~sorc/clasa/about.html

Capoeira Pittsburgh
University of Pittsburgh
capoeirapittsburgh@gmail.com
axepittsburgh@gmail.com
http://capoeirapittsburgh.wordpress.com/

Latino/a Graduate Student Association (LGSA)
Carnegie Mellon University
5000 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh PA 15213
(412) 519-6678
cmazane@andrew.cmu.edu

Luso-Brazilian Portuguese Club (Brazil Nuts)
University of Pittsburgh
brazil@pitt.edu
www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=6726286884
www.hispanic.pitt.edu/undergraduate/brazil-club.php

Panther Tango Club
University of Pittsburgh
www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=2829721718
Quechua Club
University of Pittsburgh
Alana DeLoge
and86@pitt.edu

Spanish Club
University of Pittsburgh
pittspanishclub@gmail.com
https://www.facebook.com/#!/group.php?gid=8027533255

Slippery Rock University Afro-Colombian Dance Ensemble
Slippery Rock University Afro-Colombian Dance Ensemble is a traveling dance group that brings Colombian culture through dance to the Western PA region.
Melissa Teodoro
Melissa.teodoro@sru.edu
“9 Lunas…”
An organization that works to build support systems, teach skills and expand resources for pregnant, birthing, and parenting Spanish-speaking Latinas.

mujeresde9lunas@gmail.com

Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD)
www.achd.net/
412-578-8060

Allcare Health Rehab
Chiropractic Medicine and Services
Se habla español
412-892-8600
www.allcarewellness.com/

Latino Family Center
809 Bingham Street
1st floor
Pittsburgh, PA 15203
412-325-8111
latinofc@aiu3.net

ALPHA Pittsburgh
The largest Latino association for business professionals and students.
info@pittsburgh.alpfa.org
http://pittsburgh.alpfa.org/
www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=101248498416

Amnesty International
www.amnestyphg.org/

Awamaki US
Awamaki collaborates with Andean communities to create economic opportunities and enhance social well-being. The organization works in the Cusco district of Peru, with a flagship program of partnerships with cooperatives of indigenous textile artisans.
Anne Marie Toccket
anita@awamaki.org
570-850-5260
www.awamaki.org

Barrio Latino on the air
Barrio Latino is a weekly, one-hour, Spanish-language, community radio broadcast on WRCT 88.3 FM or at www.wrct.org, on Thursday evenings from 6-7 PM, devoted to sharing news of Latin America and U.S. Latinos, community affairs and events, music, and local and visiting Hispanic talent with the greater Pittsburgh audience.
412-345-1047
https://www.facebook.com/BarrioLatinoPittsburgh

Bésame
A traditional musical group that specializes in music from Latin America, with emphasis on the sounds of Colombia.
Jdelgado4501@yahoo.com
www.besamepittsburgh.com/

The Big Idea Book Store
A worker-owned cooperative dedicated to the active promotion of radical/alternative cultures through community networking and the distribution of literature. We hope to create a safe and accessible space for people to take part in an open and empowering community. We actively support politics and lifestyles that we deem as alternative, multicultural, woman-positive, queer-positive, class-conscious, and all the things that promote a sustainable community.
thebigidea@gmail.com
http://thebigideapgh.wordpress.com/

Bolivian Studies Journal/Revista de Estudios Bolivianos
A peer-reviewed publication at the University of Pittsburgh that responds to the growing interest in understanding the past and present of historical and cultural processes in Bolivia.
www.bsj.pitt.edu

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Elizabeth Monasterios, Associate Professor of Andean Literatures, Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, University of Pittsburgh, United States

Brother’s Brother Foundation
The mission of Brother’s Brother Foundation (BBF) is to promote international health and education through the efficient and effective distribution and provision of donated medical, educational, agricultural and other resources.
All BBF programs are designed to fulfill its mission by connecting people's resources with people’s needs.
Contact: Luke Hingson
1200 Galveston Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15233
412-321-3160
Fax: 412-321-3325
www.brothersbrother.org
Building New Hope/Nueva Esperanza
A non-profit that links volunteers, concerned consumers and committed global citizens with young people, women and farmers in small communities in Central America. Since 1992, it has been building new hope by working to reduce poverty through education and community development, renewing hope and rebuilding lives in Central America.
Contact: Barbara Wein
106 Overton Lane
Pittsburgh, PA 15217
412-421-1625
barbara@buildingnewhope.org
www.buildingnewhope.org

Casa San Jose
The Sisters of St Joseph of Baden are addressing the significant needs of the growing Latino immigrant population, particularly the youth, in the Pittsburgh area. These families have expressed a critical need for services in their first language to assist them in adapting to life in this region.
Director: Sister Janice Vanderneck
janicevanderneck@comcast.net
www.stjoseph-baden.org

Center for Latin American Studies Outreach Program
As a National Resource Center on Latin America, CLAS’ Outreach Program plays a pivotal role in sharing information and expertise on Latin America to educators both at the college/university level and kindergarten through secondary (K-12) level, the professional community, and general public as part of its Educational Public Service (Outreach) mission. Outreach programs are offered throughout the academic year. These include but are not limited to: professional development workshops, study abroad opportunities, faculty development seminars, summer research fellowships, curriculum development projects, school visit program, lecture and film series, resource lending library, and two newsletters (CLASicos and Las Noticias).
Contact: Karen Goldman
kgoldman@pitt.edu
4200 Posvar Hall
University of Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, PA 15260
412-648-7397
Fax: 412-648-2199
clas@pitt.edu
www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/

Circulo Juvenil de Cultura
CIRCULO is an outreach program for Hispanic children. Its goal is to create community among native or heritage Hispanic children in the Pittsburgh area and their families, while sustaining/developing their Hispanic linguistic and cultural competence.
Baker Hall 160
Department of Modern Languages, Carnegie Mellon University
(412) 268-5149/ x 1895/8052
http://circulocmu.blogspot.com/

COESA: Brazilian Association
A non-profit organization supporting the needs of Brazilians in Western Pennsylvania and promoting Brazilian culture.
www.facebook.com/CoesaBrazilianAssociation

Colombia en Pittsburgh
A non-profit organization that facilitates mutual help and integration among Colombians in Pittsburgh and the surrounding region.
Colombiaenpittsburgh@gmail.com
www.colombiaenpittsburgh.org
www.facebook.com/colombiaenpittsburgh

Consumer Health Coalition
Consumer Health Coalition (CHC) is dedicated to inspiring a consumer movement to advance health and enhance access to quality, affordable health care.
415 East Ohio Street
Suite 300
Pittsburgh, PA 15212
lbachurski@consumerhealthcoalition.org
http://consumerhealthcoalition.org/

Copihue Chile
A folkloric group that performs traditional dances and music from Chile.
Alejandra Muñoz
412-519-2180
alejmunozm@gmail.com
www.facebook.com/copihuechile?fref=ts
www.flickr.com/photos/copihuepitt/
www.youtube.com/user/CopihuePittsburgh#p/u

Coro Latinoamericano
El Coro Latinoamericano is dedicated to culturally and musically enriching Western Pennsylvania through choral performances of traditional music from the Americas and the Iberian Peninsula to the Western PA community.
412-345-1047
Corolapghdirect@gmail.com
www.elcorolatino.com
gmatos@yahoo.com
DJ Juan Diego VII
Musical DJ services providing Top Quality Sound for weddings, night clubs, quinceañeras, birthdays and more. —DJ for live mix, VJ for music video projection, KJ for karaoke, MC for voiceovers and sound for any live bands, including monitors, EQs, soundboards and more. Music: salsa, latino, mexican, Top 40, caribbean, African mix, Indian, house, 80s, and any world music!
412-980-7356
www.djjuandiego.com

El Circulo Juvenil
A Hispanic heritage language and culture program for Spanish-speaking immigrant children in the greater Pittsburgh area.
Baker Hall 160
Dept. of Modern Languages
Carnegie Mellon University
412-268-5149
http://circulocmu.blogspot.com/

Federal Hispanic Employment Program Committee
The primary objective is to have Hispanics fully participate in federal programs with special emphasis on employment and advancement within the Federal government. Also, this committee coordinates the Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations for the Federal community.
Michael DeStefano, Committee Chair
Employing Agency: National Energy Technology Laboratory
Kelly.kochamba@ic.fbi.gov

Global Beats
Global Beats is a leading producer of global music events in Pittsburgh. It was created to foster multicultural exchanges and to be an agent of social change through the sounds and fusion of world music.
http://www.loveglobalbeats.com/

Global Links
A medical relief and development organization dedicated to promoting environmental stewardship and improving health in developing countries.
Jennifer Novelli
700 Trumbull Dr.
Pittsburgh, PA 15205
412-361-3424
Fax: 412-361-4950
info@globallinks.org
www.globallinks.org

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Western PA, Inc.
PMAHCC promotes continuous growth and prosperity of the Hispanic business community particularly in the Pittsburgh region. As of 2010, there are over 300,000 people living in Pittsburgh with an estimated 2.3% being of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin.
6 Loop St Street
Pittsburgh PA 15215
412-784-1355
http://pmahcc.org

International Patient Relations Center
UPMC Global Care provides patients around the world access to highly specialized health care through its virtual network, regional care programs and U.S.-based programs.
University of Pittsburgh
GlobalCare@upmc.edu
http://internationalpatients.upmc.com/

Jóvenes sin Nombres
Jóvenes Sin Nombres is a group composed of first generation Latinos from Mexico, South America and the Caribbean. While Latinos are Pittsburgh’s fastest growing immigrant population they remain largely invisible to the larger population. Jóvenes Sin Nombres thus aims to strengthen Latino youths’ engagement with Pittsburgh through arts projects that allow them to explore the relationship between their cultural traditions and the history of the city they now consider home.
(412) 715-1750
http://www.cmu.edu/cas/community_projects/jovenes_sin_nombres.html
abarquera@cjplaw.org

Labor Council for Latin American Advancement (LCLAA)
The LCLAA is a national organization representing the interests of approximately two million Latino/a trade unionist throughout the United States and Puerto Rico. It is the largest labor-affiliated Hispanic advocacy organization in the U.S. with a national office in Washington, D.C. and local chapters throughout the country
United Steeworkers
5 Gateway Center
Pittsburgh, PA 15222
gperez@usw.org
www.lclaa.org/

La Escuelita Arcoiris
Pittsburgh’s only Spanish immersion preschool and kindergarten offering year-round programs for toddlers and kindergarten and grade school age summer camps.
412-421-4787
contactanos@laescuelitapgh.org
www.spanishleap.com/
La Feria Pittsburgh  
A service fair for the Latin American community  
Enrique Billa  
embilla@gmail.com  
www.facebook.com/laferiapgh

La Jornada Latina  
Local newspaper serving the Spanish-speaking community.  
Patricia Galeto  
patriciaagaletto@hotmail.com  
http://lajornadalatina.com/wordpressjornada/pittsburgh/

LATCOM  
This group's mission is for Latin Americans and their nations to be transformed with the Gospel and a Biblical worldview, through training, equipping, and motivating current and future leaders.  
4133 Ellwood Road  
New Castle, PA 16101  
724-924-9070  
http://www.latcom.org/index.html

Latin American Archaeology  
Distributes hard-to-find books and journals on the archaeology of Latin America  
www.pitt.edu/~ccapubs/  
email: ccapubs@pitt.edu  
412-648-7681  
Center for Comparative Archaeology  
Department of Anthropology  
University of Pittsburgh  
Pittsburgh, PA 15260

Latin American Cultural Union (LACU)  
LACU is a volunteer-based non-profit organization in Pittsburgh that promotes, preserves and enriches the Latin American and Caribbean cultures while unifying the Latino community and bridging with other communities within the Greater Pittsburgh Area.  
Box 19403  
Pittsburgh, PA 15213  
412-445-7013  
info@lacunet.org  
jesabel@lacunet.org  
www.lacunet.org

Latin American Literary Review Press  
The Latin American Literary Review/Press is made up of two entities: the Latin American Literary Review, a scholarly journal, and the Latin American Literary Review Press, which publishes translations of creative writing and literary criticism.  
121 Edgewood Avenue  
P.O. Box 17660  
Pittsburgh, PA 15235  
412-824-7903  
Fax: 412-824-7909  
lalrp.editor@gmail.com  
www.lalrp.org

Latin American Studies Association (LASA)  
The largest professional association in the world for individuals and institutions engaged in the study of Latin America.  
416 Bellefield Hall  
University of Pittsburgh  
Pittsburgh, PA 15260  
412-648-7929  
Fax: 412-624-7145  
lasa@pitt.edu  
lasa.international.pitt.edu

Lilly Abreu  
Brazilian singer and Portuguese Instructor at the University of Pittsburgh.  
lillyabreu1@gmail.com  
www.facebook.com/lillyabreu1  
profile.php?id=597106193

Machete-Kisumontao  
Machete, a 6-piece Puerto Rican rebel rock and riot salsa band.  
Genyax13@yahoo.com  
www.facebook.com/MacheteKisumontao

Marion Silva  
Salsa Dance Instructor, Performer, DJ & Entertainer  
msilva04@aol.com

Mexico Lindo Mercado y Galeria de Artesanias  
2027 Murray Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15217  
admin@mexicolindo.biz  
www.mexicolindo.biz
The Midwife Center
Since 1982, the certified nurse-midwives at The Midwife Center for Birth and Women’s Health (TMC) have cared for thousands of women and their families and have helped to bring more than 4,000 babies into the world. Being the only freestanding, licensed birth center option in Southwestern Pennsylvania, we are licensed with the PA Department of Health and are nationally accredited with the Commission for the Accreditation of Birth Centers.
2825 Penn Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15222
www.midwifecenter.org/default.asp?id=GFEFFG

Musuhallpa
The musicians of Musuhallpa perform a variety of beautiful songs and melodies played on wind, string and percussion instruments from the Andean Mountain region of Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador. Musuhallpa means “beautiful land” in Quechua, the traditional language of the Andes region in South America, the homeland of many of the ensemble members.
Contact: Victor Beltran
228 Rockingham Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15238
412-765-1700
vmanuelbeltran@mac.com

Nego-Gato Capoeira
The Nego Gato Afro-Brazilian Music and Dance Ensemble bring to their audiences the rich African influenced rhythms and dances originating in Salvador, Bahia, Brazil, a region known for custom deeply rooted in the traditions and spirituality of ancestral Africa.
contactus@negogato.org
www.negogato.org

Nationality Rooms
& Intercultural Exchange Programs
1209 Cathedral of Learning
University of Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, PA 15260
412-624-6000
Fax: 412-648-2199
embruhns@pitt.edu
www.pitt.edu/~natrooms/

Panoramas
Foro de Comentario Latinoamericano
Sponsored by CLAS, this site is a forum for scholarly discussion and commentary of current and future issues in Latin America and the Caribbean. Articles and opinion are provided by faculty, students, CLAS alumni and other contributors worldwide. Perspectives and comments are welcomed.
www.panoramas.pitt.edu

Panther Tango Club
Classes and tango events in Pittsburgh.
Saeed.amizadeh@gmail.com
www.facebook.com/groups/282972171856/members/

The PEAL Center
(Parent Education & Advocacy Leadership)
The Mission of the PEAL Center is to ensure that children, youth, and adults with disabilities and special health care needs lead rich, active lives and participate as full members of their schools and communities by providing training, information, and technical assistance based on best practices to individuals, families and all people who support them. Se ofrece servicios bilingues.
info@pealcenter.org
http://www.pealcenter.org/

Pennsylvania Association of Latino Organizations (PALO)
PALO is a nonprofit, public benefit organization composed of Latino community based human services and economic development organizations located throughout the Commonwealth.
Box 675
Harrisburg, PA 17108-0675
717-920-4727
www.paloweb.org

Pittsburgh Folk Festival
The Pittsburgh Folk Festival Inc., is a non-profit, organization that began in 1956 with 17 nationalities whose purpose was to promote unity in diversity by presenting an annual festival of cultures. For more than 50 years, the Pittsburgh Folk Festival has been a member-based consortium of ethnic community cultural organization that now celebrates the diversity of more than 30 countries and cultures around the Pittsburgh area.
khall@pointpark.edu
http://www.pghfolkfest.org/
www.facebook.com/PittsburghFolkFestival

Pittsburgh Haiti Solidarity Committee
c/o Thomas Merton Center
5125 Penn Ave.
Pittsburgh, PA 15224
(412) 361-3022
http://thomasmertoncenter.org/?s=haiti
Pittsburgh Hispanic Development Corporation
Alberto Benzaquen, Executive Director
In his role as the executive director of the Pittsburgh Hispanic Development Corporation, Alberto interacts with local Latino organizations, including the Latin American Cultural Union (LACU) to promote Latino culture and understanding in the region. He also works with Vibrant Pittsburgh to coordinate an initiative known as ¡Hola Pittsburgh! to attract Latinos to the region for professional and skilled jobs, and then to help integrate them into the community so that it feels like home. - See more at: http://imaginepittsburgh.com/neighbors/alberto-g-benzaquen#sthash.yiVK4Lu.dpuf
6 Loop Street #4
Pittsburgh, PA 15215
benzaquen@pmahcc.org

Pittsburgh Immigrant Entrepreneurs (PIE)-SBDC-Duquesne University
The mission of PIE is to provide management and technical consulting assistance and training to immigrant entrepreneurs interested in starting and / or growing a business. Seminars giving in English, Spanish and Chinese
600 Forbes Avenue
Rockwell Hall,
Duquesne University
Pittsburgh, PA 15282
rondon@duq.edu

Puro Queso Jazz Quartet
6343 Crombie Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15217
412-680-9541
Contact: Victor Ruiz viridianno@hotmail.com
www.puroquesojazz.com

Revista Iberoamericana
 Publishes articles, notes and bibliographical notes about literature, literary and theory criticism in Spanish and Portuguese
Contact: Erika Braga
Teléfono: (412)624-5246
Fax: (412)624-0829
Correo-e: iberoamericana@mail.pitt.edu
http://revista-iberoamericana.pitt.edu/ojs/index.php/iberoamericana/index

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Jeweller, specializing in handcrafted work with precious stones and metals.
robinlondino@comcast.net
412-257-5292

Sague Presents Arts & Entertainment
A respected name in the entertainment scene of Pittsburgh and the whole Western Pennsylvania region, with over 20 years of providing quality ethnic entertainment to customers as diverse as the Pittsburgh Pirates to your daughter’s fifth birthday party.
We offer Mexican Mariachi music groups in full “Charro” outfits (Mariachi Fiesta), hot Latin Salsa dance music (Guaracha), soft mellow Latin classics (Latino Moods), Latin jazz; as well as dancers in full regalia, African or Afro-Latin drum and dance groups and lessons, and so much more.
Contact: Miguel Sague
412-583-8815
http://allsaguelatinshows.webs.com/

Salsa Ritmo
Salsa Ritmo Dance was formed in 2001. Our mission is to support and to foster friendships in the community and to promote Latin dance as a flavorful avenue for creative expression. We provide group and private lessons, technique and rhythm development, and performances of folkloric and modern Latin dances.
412-244-0514
lindadanza@verizon.net
http://salsaritmodance.org/

Salud Para Niños
Since its creation, this clinic has expanded to become the program, Salud Para Niños (Health for the Children). At Salud Para Niños, culturally and linguistically competent primary care for children and families is complemented with activities oriented toward prevention and towards empowering the community about its public health needs.
Dr. Diego Chaves-Gnecco
Diego.ChavesGnecco@chp.edu
412-692-6000 Option 8 (during business hours)
www.chp.edu/spanishclinic
www.chp.edu/saludparaninos
www.chp.edu/CHP/em+portugues

Seedlings
Arts and crafts-animals made with seeds and wire.
Union-si@hotmail.com

The South American Missionary Society
1013 Merchant St
Ambridge, Pennsylvania
15003 - 2380
724-266-0669
www.sams-usa.org
Student & Latinos United Against Disparities (SALUD)
SALUD is a group of students that works with the Hispanic population in Pittsburgh. We send Spanish-speaking volunteers to Birmingham (the underserved clinic in the South Side) on Saturdays and provide interpreters to Spanish-speaking patients in the community.
Contact: saludpgh@gmail.com.
412-629-4706
Located at: The Birmingham Clinic
44 S. Ninth Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15203
(corner of 9th St. and E. Carson St. next to the Salvation Army)
Spanish Interpreters Volunteer
Saturday: 8:30 am - 1 pm and
Monday: 5 pm - 9 pm
http://zone.medschool.pitt.edu/sites/SALUD/default.aspx

Timbeleza
Timbeleza is a Brazilian batucada based out of Pittsburgh, PA. We work closely with master drummers from Brazil, continually striving to expand our repertoire and gain new fans. Our goal is to expose people to samba and to invigorate the community with our music and performance style.
http://facebook.com/timbeleza_bookings@timbeleza.com
http://timbeleza.org/

UPMC Center for Inclusion
Built on a foundation of dignity and respect in the workplace and cultural competency in patient and family care, the mission of the UPMC Center for Inclusion is to ensure that inclusion is at the core of what we do every day.
3600 Forbes Avenue at Meyran
Suite 10044
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
www.upmc.com/about/community-commitment/inclusion/pages/default.aspx

UPMC Matilda Theiss Health Center
This Center serves a primarily poor minority population. It is located in a neighborhood with a large proportion of public housing units. The Theiss Center is the only federally qualified health center within UPMC. Primary health care across the life span is provided and overseen by the faculty of the Department of Family Medicine.
Eletta L. Cameron, LSW
373 Burrows Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-383-1550
http://familymedicine.pitt.edu/content.asp?id=1509&subid=2128

Vibrant Pittsburgh
Vibrant Pittsburgh’s mission is embrace inclusion, ensure the Pittsburgh region’s growth by attracting, retaining and elevating a diversity of talent and promote the region nationally and internationally as a diverse, welcoming region of opportunities.
http://vibrantpittsburgh.org/
Other Resources
Latin American ethnic food establishments that have supported
The Annual Latin American & Caribbean Festival

AJ’s Peruvian Restaurant
500 Liberty Ave
Downtown, PA 15222
412 642-6606

Alma Pan-Latin Kitchen
Pittsburgh’s first Pan-Latin restaurant
7600 & 7606 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15221
412-727-6320
jamie@diasporapgh.com
www.almapgh.com/

Black Bean Restaurant
Cuban cuisine
239 Atwood Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-621-2326
http://www.blackbeancc.com/

Chicken Latino
Peruvian Cuisine
155 21st Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15222
shelbins@hotmail.com
www.chickenlatino.com/

Empanadas Argentinas
258 Sterling Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15210
412-641-0110
empanadasarg@hotmail.com

Empanadas Colombianas
Gloria Herrera Garces
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La Dorita, LLC
Makers of all things dulce de leche
Josephine Caminos Oria
Gaston J. Oria
412-307-3052
joria@ladorita.net
goria@ladorita.net
www.ladorita.net

La Mendocina
Argentine catering services
1437 Jefferson Heights Rd.
Pittsburgh, PA 15235
412-824-9667
monica@lamendocina.com
www.lamendocina.com/

La Palapa
Gourmet Mexican food
http://lapalapapgh.com/

Las Palmas Carniceria y Supermecado
326 Atwood Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-682-1115

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