

La Dia de la Raza Information and Resource Page

Since 1937, October 12 has been the day designated by the government of the United States as the day to celebrate the day Christopher Columbus arrived in the Americas. For more than a century before the official designation by U.S. government, the day was traditionally recognized and celebrated in many English speaking countries and cities. Most recently in several English speaking countries it has become Native American Day. In Spanish speaking countries and communities the day is known as *Dia de la Raza*, the Day of the Race. It is a celebration of the Hispanic heritage of Latin America and brings into it all the ethnic and cultural influences making it distinctive. Below are a few articles on and ways to celebrate *Dia de la Raza*.

Below you will find a PowerPoint that goes through the origins, events, and vocabulary associated with *La Dia de la Raza*

<http://www.ipcisd.net/cms/lib3/TX01000617/Centricity/Domain/107/EI%20dia%20de%20la%20Raza%20PEYTON%20SHELBY.pdf>

Timeline History of Celebrating (and not Celebrating) Columbus Day

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/timeline-history-celebrating-and-not-celebrating-columbus-day-180960736/>

Denver, Colorado now celebrates Indigenous People Day

<http://kdvr.com/2016/10/04/denver-permanently-approves-indigenous-peoples-day-on-columbus-day/>

Origins of Columbus Day and *la Dia de la Raza*

<http://www.history.com/topics/exploration/columbus-day>

What is *la Dia de la Raza*?

<http://www.ibtimes.com/columbus-day-2015-what-day-race-latin-america-celebrates-dia-de-la-raza-instead-2133510>

The People vs. Columbus, mock trial resources that critically analyze Christopher Columbus and his deeds in the Western Hemisphere

<https://zinnedproject.org/materials/people-vs-columbus/>

Just Lists: Facts about *la Dia de la Raza* that could be used as starting points for a deeper historical research about the celebration of the day.

<https://justlists.wordpress.com/2008/10/03/12-things-you-may-not-have-known-about-dia-de-la-raza-day-of-the-race-columbus-day/>

History of *la Dia de la Raza*

https://prezi.com/bfxfw8uze_yb/dia-de-la-raza/

NPR Interview with Timothy Kubal, author of "Cultural Movements and Collective Memory: Christopher Columbus and the Rewriting of the National Origin Myth" in which he and interviewer Michael Martin, discuss the debate over Columbus Day, and its many iterations in North America, Latin America, and Spain.

<http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=130437792>

Why Schools Should Rethink History Class on Columbus Day? This article could be a great opportunity to engage students in a discussions around, the myths of history, how traditions change over time, etc.

<https://www.theatlantic.com/education/archive/2015/10/columbus-day-school-holiday/409984/>

Talking about Columbus Day with Kids: educational resources for grades K-12 to aid in the teaching of Columbus Day, Dia de la Raza, Indigenous People's Day

<http://www.learningliftoff.com/talking-about-columbus-day-with-kids/#.WdT8z62ZO-o>