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Foreign Language Newsletter

¡Bienvenidos!

Welcome to our Foreign Language Newsletter!

We are Dr. Megan O'Neil, Associate Professor of Spanish, and Dr. Francesco Masala-Martínez, Assistant Professor of Spanish.



We're excited to keep the Foreign Language newsletter going so you can stay up to date! Whether you're thinking about taking a language class at TSU, attending a Latin concert, or trying out a delicious Latin American restaurant in Nashville, you'll find useful tips and information inside. And if you don't find what you're looking for, feel free to reach out—

we're happy to help!

You can come see us in **Holland Hall** rooms #303 and #305 or email us at moneil@tnstate.edu (Dr. O'Neil) and fmasala@tnstate.edu (Dr. Masala-Martínez).

Come join us at the annual Celebrate Nashville Cultural Festival!

Dr. Masala-Martínez will be promoting English courses together with the amazing team from the TSU Intensive English Center!

You will be able to listen to great music, eat delicious food, and learn more about the amazing things we do at the IEC!





Bad Bunny
will
headline
the 2026
Super Bowl
halftime
show!

Bad Bunny will bring his Latin trap and reggaeton swagger to the NFL's biggest stage next year as the star of the 2026 Apple Music Super Bowl halftime show. He celebrated the milestone, saying "this is for my people, my culture, and our history."

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What is happening in Nashville?

MUSIC!

A newer organization, the Country Latin **Association**, is working to amplify Hispanic voices in Nashville's country music space and is already influencing events like CMA Fest.

FOOD!



Amid Nashville's ever-evolving culinary landscape, Latin American chefs are not only holding their own, they're carving out space, challenging expectations and enriching the city's food scene.

They are offering exciting dishes originating from global influences, presenting new takes on familiar favorites and introducing diners to flavors they've never encountered before.

For Hispanic Heritage Month, celebrated from Sept. 15-Oct.15, the Tennessean sat down with Chef Ana Aguilar of Tantísimo, Chef Marcio Florez of Limo Peruvian Eatery and Chef Edgar Victoria of Alebrije to discuss how their individual backgrounds and upbringings influence and shine through their work.

Cheekwood

El Día de los Muertos November 1, 2025 -

November 2, 2025

9:00 am - 5:00 pm



El Día de los Muertos, the Day of the Dead, is one of the most important celebrations in Mexico and Latin America. The festival is known for colorful decorations, energetic music, and elaborate displays that demonstrate the culture's strong sense of love and respect for ancestors while celebrating the continuance of life.





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