

# *celebrating* **Hispanic American Heritage** September 2011



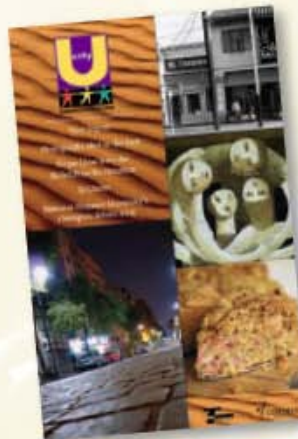
Starting with the colors and shapes of the Dominican visual landscape, Felix Berroa forges bizarre and fanciful characters that occupy far-off lands existing only in our wildest imaginations.



Terry Hope Romero, author of "Viva Vegan," comes to the rescue of cooks whose imagination limits their vegan output, and vegans who would like more Latin dishes on their menus.



Who would have guessed the nation's oldest family Mexican restaurant would begin with a French stonemason who helped build the stone façade of Tucson's San Augustine Church in the 1860s?



During Hispanic American Heritage Month, America celebrates the cultures of Spain, Mexico and the Spanish-speaking nations of Central America, South America and the Caribbean.

Sept. 15 is Independence Day for five Latin American countries:

Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence on Sept. 16 and 18, respectively.

