

**38TH ANNUAL TEXAS HISPANIC
GENEALOGICAL and HISTORICAL CONFERENCE**
September 28-30, 2017

Hosted by Tejano Genealogy Society of Austin

Preserving Our Past for the Future



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TOUR
“Researching Our Past”

Thursday, September 28, 2017, 11:00am – 5:00pm

Cost: \$45 (includes lunch)

Loading onto bus will be at 10:45am. The bus will be parked at the side entrance to the Crowne Plaza immediately in front of the Conference Registration Table located in the hotel’s Pre-Function Area.

Please wear comfortable shoes and a hat (if sun is a problem). The tour includes the following:

- ***Nettie Lee Benson Library at The University of Texas at Austin*** – The Benson is known for its extensive Latin American Collection.
- ***Bullock Texas State History Museum*** – You will be able to visit a wonderful Tejano-related exhibit followed by a box lunch in a private room.
- ***Texas General Land Office (GLO)*** – You will tour their archives room and learn about the various genealogical research documents they maintain with a focus on Spanish/Mexican land grants.
- ***Texas State Library & Archives Commission*** – Learn about the resources available at TSLAC where it preserves and documents the shared heritage and culture of Texas by maintaining the official archival records of Texas government.
- ***Tejano Monument*** – Visit this magnificent and historic monument to our proud heritage on the Front Lawn of the State Capitol grounds.
- ***Drive-by*** – Listed below are additional locations which are of interest to a genealogy researcher. However, due to lack of time, we will only be able to drive by these places. We’ll provide you with information should you be interested in visiting them at a later time.
 - ***Catholic Archives of Texas***
 - ***Dolph Briscoe Center for American History***
 - ***Blanton Museum***
 - ***Texas State Cemetery***

SPEAKERS

“Preserving Our Past for the Future”

- **Dr. Marian J. Barber** – The Director of Catholic Archives of Texas shares what the types of genealogical information that is available for researchers including tips and tricks for locating sacramental records.
- **James Brewster** – A DNA expert with Family Tree DNA breaks down the difference between autosomal, Y DNA, and mtDNA tests, what we can learn from the results of these tests, as well as migration patterns as they relate to different haplogroups.
- **Charles Bumpass** – As an adoptee, Charles reveals his use of GEDMatch to unravel the mystery of his personal genealogy. This session will be of interest to adoptees and those seeking to find relatives, as well.
- **Alfredo Cárdenas** – Historian and author of “Balo’s War” in which he tells the story of a people who went from being Spaniard to Mexican to American in a span of 30 years.
- **Amancio J. Chapa, Jr.** – A descendant of Juan Bautista Chapa/Giovanni Battista Schiapapria shares his knowledge of the well-known ancestor many of us share with him.
- **Dr. Carolina Castillo Crimm** – Dr. Crimm will give us a look into the courage of early Tejanas and their contributions to our history. She will also provide an insight into Bernardo de Gálvez and how his efforts changed the role Texas would play in the American Revolution.
- **Anthony Delgado** – Historian and blogger Delgado will provide the history of the first 175 years of the Canary Islanders that settled in modern-day San Antonio. Who are they, why were they sent, and who are their descendants today?
- **Moises Garza** – Garza, a Mexican Genealogy Blogger and Researcher, will share his knowledge on various resources available as they relate to Mexican and Colonial period ancestors, DNA, and how to network with other researchers to improve your results.
- **Dr. Steven Gonzales** – The Executive Director of El Camino Real de los Tejas National Historic Trail Association will provide insight into the importance of the past and present of El Camino and what it means to our history.
- **Ted Herrera** – Learn about Native American ancestry from a descendant of Tlaxcala, Chichimeca, Huichol, and Coahuiltecan Indians and explore why this ethnic mix is so prevalent and yet often overlooked and misunderstood.
- **Johnny Limón** – A member of the Austin Tejano Music Coalition, the presentation will discuss the history of Tejano music.
- **José Antonio “Joe” López** – Historian, Author, and Blogger, López discusses the importance of preserving Spanish Mexican (Tejano/Tejana) origins for future generations.
- **Mark Myers** – As an Electronic Records Archivist at the Texas State Library and Archives Commission, Mr. Myers will discuss the various records located at the Library and Archives, and explain how to preserve your own personal records.
- **Rumbo al’ Anacua** – A social-historical and entertaining commentary on “música ranchera” by Joe and Rosa Canales Pérez.
- **Dr. Dell Sánchez** – Dr. Sánchez presents evidence of Sephardic Jewish ancestry shared by many, if not most Hispanics/Latinos.
- **Dr. Brian Stauffer** – The Spanish Translator at the Texas General Land Office (GLO) will share with us information about the trove of Tejano historical data available at his agency with a special focus on maps and Spanish-Mexican land grants.
- **Dr. Andrés Tijerina** – Our own renowned Author, Historian, and Professor will present a look at Tejanos, our original Texas families, and the need for a Tejano Legacy Association similar to other exclusive legacy groups.
- **Jesse O. Villarreal** – Villarreal shares his story about his ancestor’s contribution to the American Revolution which allowed this author to become a member of the Sons of the American Revolution.

MUSICAL PRESENTATION

“Preserving Our Music”

Thursday, September 28, 2017, 6:00pm – 7:30pm

Cost: \$10. Cash bar; light appetizers.

Come and relax. Meet new friends or catch-up with long-term acquaintances. Enjoy some cultural music. The two-person group of *Rumbo al' Anacua* consists of a husband and wife, José O. Pérez and Rosa Canales Pérez. The music of *Rumbo al' Anacua* keeps the tradition of music performed under anacua trees, around backyard tables, in dining rooms, and on porches throughout South Texas.

RECEPTION

“Preserving Our History”

Friday, September 29, 2017, 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Cost: \$20. Includes two drink tickets, hearty appetizers.

We will honor the founding members of the Sociedad Genealógica (now Tejano Genealogy Society of Austin) which was formed in 1977 and hosted the first annual Texas Hispanic Genealogical and Historical Conference. Special recognition will be extended to Dr. Andrés Tijerina for not only initiating our organization and the annual conferences, but also assisting our sister societies. *Marimba Tropical*, always a crowd favorite, will provide music for your listening pleasure.



BANQUET

“Preserving Our Past for the Future”

Saturday, September 30, 2017

6:30pm – 7:00pm Cocktails (cash bar) & Gathering for Banquet

7:00pm – 9:00pm Banquet.

Cash bar; meal choices include:

- Pollo Flameado – Pan seared Chicken Breast topped with Pepper Jack Cheese and Chorizo, served with Fresh Seasonal Greens Salad, Herb Roasted Garlic Potatoes, Green Beans Amandine, Dessert – Cost: \$40.
- Pepper Crusted New York 10-oz. Strip Steak – served with Fresh Seasonal Greens Salad, Garlic Roasted Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans Southern Style, Dessert – Cost: \$45.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Early Discounted Rate of \$75.00 per person, if registration is made by August 5, 2017.

Regular Fee is \$90, if registration is made by September 5, 2017.

After September 5, registration fee is \$100.00 but only if space is available.

Fees are non-refundable. You must wear a badge at all times.

For questions contact: tgsa@tgsaustin.org

HOTEL

Crowne Plaza Hotel, 6121 North IH-35, Austin, Texas 78752

ROOM RATE: \$119.00 plus tax per room for King or Two Doubles.

Group Code is **TEJ**. Group rate is available 3 days prior and 3 days after conference dates.

For reservations call hotel directly at **512-323-5466** or toll-free at **800-227-6963**.

Deadline is August 28 at 11:59pm. Check in time 3:00 PM; check out time 12 noon. Free parking.

BREAKFAST: Tickets available from hotel at \$5 per day (tax and tip not included) for first 2 occupants of a room. Additional \$5 per day for each of 3rd and 4th occupants of the same room. These tickets **MUST** be purchased at time of hotel check-in.

DIRECTIONS TO THE CROWNE PLAZA

Driving from Dallas – Via IH-35 South

- Take exit 238A-238B toward US-290E/Ranch to Market Rd 2222 W/Houston
- Merge onto N IH-35 Frontage Road
- It is strongly suggested that you **NOT** take the U-turn but instead proceed through the intersection by making a pair of left turns to head back north on IH-35 Frontage Road. As soon as you cross Hwy. 290E, make a right turn into the hotel's parking lot.

Driving from Houston – Via US-290 / IH-10

- Continue onto US-290W
- Use the 2nd lane from the right to continue on TX-69 Spur W
- Take the exit toward Interstate 35 N/Waco and merge onto US-290 Frontage Road
- The hotel is located immediately on your right hand side

Driving from San Antonio – Via IH-35 North

- Travel / merge onto IH-35 N
- Take exit 238A toward Farm to market 2222 W
- Merge onto N Interstate 35 Frontage Road and turn right into the hotel's parking lot.