

## **Photo Opportunity**

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WHAT: The Big Read: Bless Me, Ultima

Featured Events for Weeks #4-6

**WHEN:** May 13 - June 2, 2013

WHERE: Various Fresno County Locations (details below)

**DETAILS:** Exploring Latino culture and history; wildlife rescue; a dramatic reading; family fun.

The Portrayal of Mexican Americans in Film, May 13, 6:30 p.m. at Fig Garden Library. Retired Reedley College professor Paul Kaser will lead a lively discussion.

Fresno Wildlife Rescue & Rehabilitation, May 19, 1 p.m. at Woodward Park Library. Participants will learn about Fresno Wildlife Rescue's resources and how they care for injured wildlife in a presentation that includes live animals.

#### Dramatic Reading of *Bless Me, Ultima*, May 23, 6:30 p.m. at Fowler Library.

Live music will accompany Merlinda Espinosa of Teatro de la Terra as she performs a dramatic reading from excerpts of the Big Read novel.

### Dia de Los Niños, May 25, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Selma Library.

A free event for the whole family, this celebration of culture, children and books will feature games, crafts, music and free books for children.

### Chicano Poetry: Past and Future, May 25, 2 p.m. at Gillis Library.

Three Valley writers from the Chicano Writers and Artists Association will discuss the tradition, history and future of Chicano poetry.

# Tracing Our Spanish Roots, June 2, 2 p.m. at Woodward Park Library.

Arlene Haywood, genealogist and president of Los Californianos, offers tips to people researching their Spanish ancestry.