



**An Initiative for the Celebration
of Spain's Relationship with the
United States, 1776 – 2026**

*“If we are saved France and Spain
must save us”*

ALEXANDER HAMILTON, 1780

ABOUT THE INITIATIVE

The America&Spain250 initiative's mission is to celebrate 250 years of the shared past, present and continued friendship between the United States, Spain, and the Spanish-speaking world.

Starting with the significant yet little-understood role of Spain in America's War of Independence, Spain's contributions to the history and development of the United States are many and diverse. They span numerous realms: science, medicine, agriculture and technology, along with language, literature, religion and the arts. The initiative aims to increase public awareness of these contributions and celebrate their importance over the course of 250 years of Spain's shared history with the United States.

The initiative also seeks to enrich the understanding of the complex, changing, yet enduring tripartite relationship between Spain, Spanish-speaking America and the United States.



PAST & UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

ACROSS THE UNITED STATES

- *Historical Symposia*
- *Lectures*
- *Teacher Workshops*
- *Teacher Resources Development*
- *Exhibitions*
- *Media & Content Creation*
- *Networking Events*
- *Publications*

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Structure of the Initiative



GRASSROOTS OUTREACH PROJECT

Achieve impact nationwide by forging new connections with local organizations through events showcasing Spanish contributions to American history in that specific area

HISTORY EDUCATION PROGRAMS & RESOURCES

Empower educators and students with rigorously researched tools: teacher workshops, lesson plans, and digital resources all about Spain's support of the American Revolution

SIGNATURE EVENTS

Drive visibility of the initiative through high-profile, memorable events that inspire and engage partner institutions and the communities they serve

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS



PAST EVENT

The QSSI and the Fundación Ramón Areces presented the First America&Spain250 symposium in Madrid presided over by Her Majesty Queen Sofía.

PAST EVENT

The QSSI brought Archivist Antonio Sánchez de Mora from the Archivo General de Indias in Spain to the St. Charles County Historical Society for a special presentation.

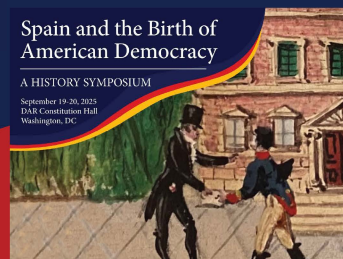


PAST EVENT

The QSSI will partner with the American Philosophical Society on September 17th, 2025 for an event centered around Benjamin Franklin and Spain.

PAST EVENT

The Second Symposium in the America&Spain250 initiative "Spain and the Birth of American Democracy" will take place at the DAR headquarters in DC, September 19-20, 2025.



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