

Passport Special Itinerary Suggestion for February -

Cuba!



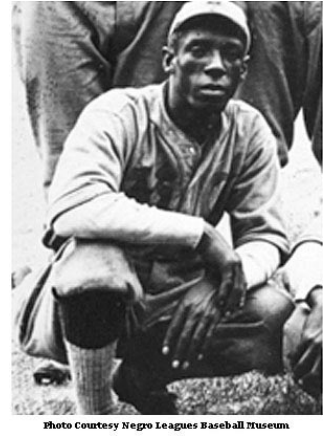
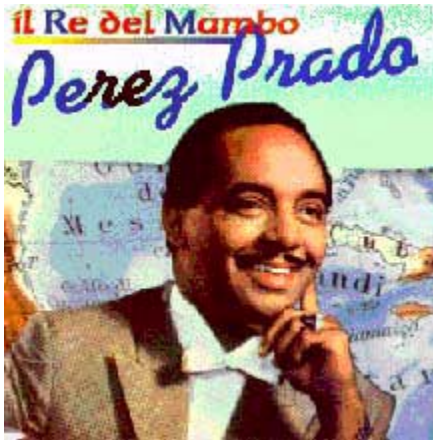
Parents, please pass this page onto your children grades 1-5

◆ 1st- 3rd grades: The bulletin board in the library has these famous Cubans on it with what they are famous for. Match the number of the Famous Cuban with the description of what they are known for (put the number in the blanks.)

◆ 4th-5th grades: Match and also pick a Cuban (from this list or another) and do a short report about them (at least 4-5 sentences.)

| | | Match number here | |
|----|-----------------------|-------------------|---|
| 1 | Félix Varela | | Chess Grandmaster - winner of the 2000 World Junior Chess Championship and the 2005 he American Continental Championship |
| 2 | Desi Arnaz | | Cuban writer who is the best-selling author in science fiction and fantasy in Cuban literature. Her novel "La isla de los amores infinitos" from 2006 has become the most translated Cuban novel of all time. |
| 3 | Raúl Martínez | | Cuban bandleader and composer referred to as the "King of the Mambo" |
| 4 | Nancy Merjón | | President of Cuba, led the Cuban revolution in 1959 |
| 5 | Arnaldo Tamayo Méndez | | First Cuban Cosmonaut and first person from a country in the Western Hemisphere other than the U.S. to travel in outer space. |
| 6 | José Raúl Capablanca | | The boy who came to the US in 1999, leading to a custody battle between his American family and his father in Cuba |
| 7 | Amelia Peláez | | Actress, model, singer and show host of "Lente Loco", a show that was a Spanish version of Candid Camera. Spokeswoman for Bally's Total Fitness. |
| 8 | Fidel Castro | | Held the title of world chess champion from 1921-27 and often referred to as a candidate for the greatest chess player of all time, and a Cuban diplomat. |
| 9 | Odalys García | | Cuban-born American (Afro-Cuban jazz) musician, actor, comedian and television producer, well known the TV show "I Love Lucy" as Lucy's Cuban orchestra leader husband, Ricky Ricardo. |
| 10 | Elián González | | Cuban -American drummer and percussionist of the rock group "Bon Jovi" |
| 11 | José Méndez | | Prima ballerina and choreographer most famous for her portrayals of Giselle and Carmen. Partially blind, her dance partners always had to be in the exact place she expected them to be. |
| 12 | Tico Torres | | Major League Baseball shortstop for the Seattle Mariners who hit a Grand slam against the Chicago White Sox in August 2007 |
| | | | Continued on Back Side |

| | | |
|----|---------------------|--|
| 13 | Lazaro Bruzón | 19 th Century Catholic Priest who worked for independence of Latin America from Spain and abolition of slavery in Cuba –now a candidate for sainthood |
| 14 | Wilfredo Lam | Born and raised in Havana, Cuba, this Puesta del Sol teacher has lots of energy and enthusiasm, loves to dance, and is still thrilled to be teaching here after 20 years! |
| 15 | Yuniesky Betancourt | Right-handed pitcher in the early 1900’s known in Cuba as “El Diamante Negro.” Elected to the US Baseball Hall of Fame in 2006. |
| 16 | Perez Prado | Female Cuban painter of the Avant-garde generation, also known for her pottery and murals, including a 65 foot high ceramic mural at the Cuban Ministry of Internal Affairs and the façade of the Havana Hilton Hotel. |
| 17 | Alicia Alonso | One of Cuba’s major authors and poets who has gained recognition for work whose themes are centered on women and the Afro-Cuban experience. |
| 18 | Daina Chaviano | 20 th century artist who sought to portray and revive the enduring Afro-Cuban spirit & culture. |
| 19 | Toni Marquez | 20 th century painter, designer & graphic artist best known for colorful pop-art portraits of leading Cuban political figures. |



For 4th-5th Grades: The person I studied is: _____

What I learned about this person:
