



NEWS

- **INFO**
 - BIDS



Volume 39, Edition 18E • May 4, 2023



Published by SBE, Inc. • DBE/MBE/SBE

Why Do People Celebrate Cinco de Mayo?

France, however, ruled by Napoleon III,

By History Channel

Cinco de Mayo-or the fifth of May-is a holiday that celebrates the date of the Mexican army's 1862 victory over France at the Battle of Puebla during the Franco-Mexican War (1861-1867). A relatively minor holiday in Mexico, in the United States Cinco de Mayo has evolved into a commemoration of Mexican culture and heritage, particularly in areas with large Mexican-American populations.

Benito Juárez

In 1861, Benito Juárez—a lawyer and member of the indigenous Zapotec tribe-was elected president of Mexico. At the time, the country was in financial ruin after years of internal strife, and the new president was forced to default on

debt payments to European governments. In response, France, Britain, and Spain sent naval forces to Veracruz, Mexico, demanding repayment. Britain and Spain negotiated with Mexico and withdrew their forces.

decided to use the opportunity to carve an empire out of Mexican territory. Late in 1861, a well-armed French fleet stormed Veracruz, landing a large force of troops and driving President Juárez and his government into retreat. The Battle of Puebla

Certain that success would come swiftly, six thousand French troops under General Charles Latrille de Lorencez set out to attack Puebla de Los Angeles, a small town in east central Mexico. From his new headquarters in the North, Juárez rounded up a ragtag force of two thousand loyal men—many of them either indigenous Mexicans or of mixed ancestry—and sent them to Puebla.

The vastly outnumbered and poorly supplied Mexicans, led by Texas-born General Ignacio Zaragoza, fortified the town and prepared for the French assault. On May 5, 1862, Lorencez gathered his army—supported by heavy artillerythe city of Puebla and led an assault. The battle lasted from daybreak to early

evening, and when the French finally retreated,



they had lost nearly five hundred soldiers. Fewer than one hundred Mexicans had been killed in the clash.

Although not a major strategic win in the overall war against the French, Zaragoza's success

Small Business Exchange • Voice of Small, Emerging, Diversity-Owned Businesses Since 1984

Click to read more



George Harms Construction is seeking DBE vendors, suppliers, subcontractors

Click for details



If you are interested in bidding on this project, please contact Skanska's Outreach Coordinator: Julia.Omanoff@skanska.com • EOE/M/F/Vet/Disabled

SKANSKA

SKANSKA USA CIVIL

IS SOLICITING COST PROPOSALS FROM NEW YORK STATE DBE SUBCONTRACTORS AND VENDORS

Rehabilitation of Seven Grand Central Parkway Bridges Between Union Turnpike and Commonwealth Boulevard Project NYSDOT Contract No: D900057 Bid Date: June 2, 2023

Replacement of bridge decks carrying Grand Central Parkway (GCP) over Winchester Boulevard, Vanderbilt Parkway Shared Use Path, and Ramp H, which connects Northbound Cross-Island Parkway (CIP) to Westbound GCP. Project also includes repairs to Union Turnpike, Ramp G, which connects Southbound CIP and Westbound GCP Service Road over CIP. Scope of work also includes repairs to two Westbound CD Road Bridges and all necessary substructure and superstructure repairs including structural steel repairs and painting, stone masonry, repairs to

Many bidding opportunities are available: concrete ready-mix, furnish and install rebar, concrete saw-cutting, grooving and diamond grinding, structural steel repairs and painting, concrete deck sealing, joint sealing, concrete coating, concrete barrier, guard railing, ground mounted signs, overhead sign structures, concrete curbing and sidewalk, concrete spall repairs, landscaping and asphalt pavers, asphalt milling and paving, bird deterrent for bridges, stone masonry repairs, building condition inspections, abutment tie-backs, traffic control supplies, pavement markings, vacuum truck service, survey and stakeout, container service, disposal of concrete and soil.

approach slabs, lighting replacement, and improved highway signs on GCP.



Description of project:

COMPANY PROFILE

Edwards Unlimited is an award-winning media production and leadership development business enterprise. Our company is dedicated to helping corporations, entrepreneurs and nonprofit organizations celebrate their successes and share their vision with the world through high quality video production, media/ presentation training and strategic communications. President & CEO Janice Edwards is an award-winning talk show host, Emmy-nominated producer, coauthor of the international best-seller Step Into Your Brilliance, an in-demand MC, and an acclaimed contributor to community empowerment through her media work.

SERVICES WE PROVIDE

- Media Coaching and Training Leadership Development Strategic Communications Signature Talk & Keynote Speaking Training Media Production Writing
- Withing Legacy Interviews Marketing Social Media Management

LEGACY INTERVIEWS • Edwards Unlimited Legacy Interviews are 1080p or4K video and/or

- audio recording with transcripts capturing family treasures as living historical documents. These interviews provide ideal content for books, documentaries, TedX
- talks or for sharing with generations to gain a better understanding of their lineage. They can be created anywhere in the world with strong internet connection. Janice Edwards has conducted more than 12,000 interviews throughout her stellar career. These legacy interviews have created joy and happiness among family members and friends. They become a living record for loved ones in the

NORTHEAST EVENTS FOR YOUR BUSINESS

BUSIN SBE OUTREACH SERVICES With over 1.6 million businesses in our active database—the country's largest non-public

diversity database—SBE sets the professional standard for diversity outreach across the nation. For more than three decades, we have served small businesses, prime contractors, and agencies—with proven results. **Advertisements**

Placed in various Small Business Exchange Northeast digital publications each month,

and at www.sbenortheast.com Fax, Email, and Postal Solicitations Targeted mailings sent to businesses chosen

according to your criteria **Live Call Center Follow-Up** Telephone follow-up calls using a script of

five questions that you define **Computer Generated Reports**

Complete documentation that will fit right into your proposal, along with a list of interested firms to contact

Special Services Custom design and development of services

that you need for particular situations such

as small business marketing, diversity goal

completion, and agency capacity building Call for more information: 800-800-8534



BUSINESS

SBE assists agencies with public legal notices **Advertisements** Placed in various Small Business Exchange

With a database of over 1.6 million businesses,

Northeast digital publications each month, and at www.sbenortheast.com

Special Follow-Up Services

Custom design and development of services that you need for particular situations such as small business marketing, diversity goal completion, and agency capacity building

Call for more information: 800-800-8534

• BIDS



you need to



PUBLIC LEGAL NOTICES

Federal Contracting: Veteran Small Business Certification Program Webinar Tuesday, May 16, 2023, 1:00 pm-2:00 pm Online Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration

Contact: Jo Eckert, 319-362-6405, jo.eckert@sba.gov Fee: Free; registration required Learn about SBA's new Veteran Small Business Certification program. Certification has been

transferred from the Department of Veterans

Affairs (VA). Certification with SBA allows

service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses (SDVOSBs) to compete for sole-source and set-aside federal contracts across the federal government. Certified veteran-owned small businesses (VOSBs) have additional opportunities to pursue sole-source and set-aside contracts at the Veterans Administration (VA) under the VA's

Vets First program. Register at https://www. eventbrite.com/e/veteran-small-business-certification-vetcert-program-tickets-619255007397 Selling to the Federal Government Webinar Thursday, May 25, 2023, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration

largest purchaser of goods and services in the

government-tickets-21790713611 SBA helps to ensure small businesses get fair opportunities to share federal government prime contracts. Topics will include: How to Register, Small Business Certifications, Finding Opportunities, Marketing Your Firm, Federal Supply Schedules, Getting Paid, Tips to Prepare Your Offer, How to Seek Additional Assistance. All training sessions are held via Microsoft Teams Meeting. Participants must ensure Microsoft Teams is functioning. SBA and SOS Monthly Webinar Thursday, June 1, 2023, 9:00 am-11:00 am Online Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration, New Hampshire Secretary of State Corporation

world? Interested in learning how your business can market your services or goods to the federal government? Register on line at https://www. eventbrite.com/e/how-to-sell-to-the-federal-

Division Contact: Miguel Moralez, 603-225-1601, miguel.moralez@sba.gov

Fee: Free; registration required Starting a new business? Looking for capital and finance options? Looking for general advice

on starting or maintaining your business? Hear from representatives from the local SBA office and the New Hampshire Secretary of State Corporation Division. This workshop (currently

held online during the pandemic) is offered on the first Thursday of every month. To join this free webinar, copy and paste the link below into your browser, then register for tickets for the date of your choice to receive the access code. https://www.eventbrite.com/e/secretary-ofstate-quickstart-and-small-business-administration-programs-tickets-262004180557



CORPORATE OFFICE 1160 Battery Street East, Suite 100

Tel 800-800-8534

Non-Alleria

Fax 415-778-6255 San Francisco, California 94111 sbe@sbeinc.com • www.sbeinc.com www.sbenortheast.com

Copyright © 2023 Small Business Exchange, Inc.