THE MAKING OF MEXICAN TEXAS, 1820–1830 • WEBINAR SERIES
Mondays • September 26, October 3, and October 10, 2022

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September 26  The Collapse of Spain in Texas
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October 3  The Making of Mexican Texas, 1821–1824
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October 10  Conflicts Between Texas and Mexico, 1825–1830
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White, Gallaher & White. *Mapa de los estados unidos de Méjico: según lo organizado y definido por las varias actas del Congreso de dicha república y construido por las mejores autoridades*, map, 1828; Nueva York.

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