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## **The New Year Begins With Free Live Music at Glendale Main Library**

**Glendale, Ariz.** – The Glendale Main Library will start the year on a positive note with another round of top-quality, free musical performances and programs, including the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Arizona Songwriters Gathering, Live at the Library, the Main Library Coffeehouse and the Acoustic Jam Session.

**The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Arizona Songwriters Gathering** will be held at the Glendale Main Library on Saturday, January 22. The free event runs from 10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and includes live music performances throughout the day. Workshops on crafting songs, getting songs into film and TV, using social media to further a career in music, and song critique sessions will also be offered.

Acoustic music lovers are welcome to the **Main Library Coffeehouse** in the Auditorium at 6:30 p.m., on the third Thursday of the month. The Coffeehouse features two sets of area musicians. Upcoming performances include:

- January 20 – Forrest Smith, blues, rock and bluegrass. A preview of Smith’s music is available at <http://www.musicbyforrest.com>. Mike Krzyston, finger style guitar.
- February 17 – Tom Whitlock, folk. Desert City Ramblers, folk and country. Videos of these performers are available at <http://www.youtube.com>.

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Main Library**  
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- March 17 – Sparky Robinson, alternative, folk, eclectic. A preview of Robinson’s music is available at <http://www.reverbnation.com/sparkyrobinson>. Rock Road, Peter Paul and Mary.

**The Acoustic Jam Session** is an opportunity for musicians to bring their own acoustic instruments and play round-robin style with fellow musicians. The jam sessions are held on the last Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m., in the large meeting room at the Glendale Main Library. An audience is welcome. Upcoming dates are: January 26, February 23 and March 30.

**Live at the Library**—one of the West Valley’s most popular monthly musical series—is held on the fourth Thursday of the month and begins at 6:30 p.m. Upcoming performers include:

- February 24 - Nuance Jazz Trio - The Nuance Jazz Trio is one of the most diverse ensembles in the southwestern United States. Their unique instrumentation and ability to perform jazz, classical, country and pop music have won the group critical acclaim. Their instrumentation of violin, trumpet, guitar and bass distinguishes them from the typical jazz format.
- March 24 - Shay Veno and Jane Hilton - This talented duo will provide an evening of heart-lifting Celtic tunes.

For more information about the free music programs at the Glendale Main Library, call Ivy at 623-930-3573.

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