

## LiVE!@Murphy Park March 2023

LiVE! @ Murphy Park will return to downtown Glendale, Thursday – Saturday at 7 p.m. throughout the month of March. Murphy Park is the perfect spot to dive into the local music scene and explore the cool vibe of downtown Glendale, where hyper-local shops and award-winning restaurants are all yours to discover. INFO: [www.glendaleaz.com/liveatmurphypark](http://www.glendaleaz.com/liveatmurphypark)



## Glendale Folk & Heritage Festival March 4 & 5

Join us on Saturday and Sunday, March 4 and 5 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. for a celebration of folk music, its history and culture. The festival takes place at the city's beautiful Historic Sahuaro Ranch (9802 N. 59th Ave.). This FREE event features hundreds of performers from all over the country sharing their talents through music, poetry, art and workshops. INFO: [www.glendaleaz.com/events](http://www.glendaleaz.com/events)

## 2023 City of Glendale Plein Air Painting Competition Saturday, March 4 - Sahuaro Ranch Park

This event is presented by the City of Glendale Arts & Culture at the 2023 Folk & Heritage Festival. Competition is open to artists (18+) who paint using the Plein Air technique in oil, watercolor, acrylic or pastel. Registration is from 8 – 10:30 a.m. on March 4 at the park (near the Fruit Packing Shed). Paintings must be done on event day within Glendale city limits and canvas size should not exceed 18"x24." Live Judging for purchase awards by Mayor and Council will occur at 3 p.m. INFO: [publicart@glendaleaz.com](mailto:publicart@glendaleaz.com) or 623-930-3557



## Water-Wise Landscape Design March 6

*Design with water efficiency in mind!*

Understand basic design principles to create a beautiful Arizona-friendly landscape. Erin Hutton is a Landscape Designer and instructor for the Desert Botanical Garden's Design Credential Program. Sponsored by the city of Glendale Water Services Department, Conservation and Sustainable Living Division. Join us Monday, March 6 from 6 – 7:30 p.m. at the Glendale Main Library (5959 W. Brown St.) in the auditorium. To attend, you must register at [bit.ly/GLSClasses](http://bit.ly/GLSClasses) and include an email address.

## Paris in the Spring Event March 11

You won't need to set foot on an airplane to experience Parisian style! Visit Historic Downtown Glendale's Paris in the Spring event on Saturday, March 11 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. for a worldly experience! This is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy fine food, culture and shopping with a Parisian twist. Start at the Arizona Information Center (5836 W. Palmdale Ave.) to pick up the activity list and walking map. INFO: [www.visitdowntownglendale.com](http://www.visitdowntownglendale.com)

## Movies by Moonlight March 17

Movies by Moonlight continues the 3rd Friday of each month through April. This month, join us at Foothills Park for a free movie, Zootopia, on March 17. Pre-movie activities begin at 5 p.m.

Check our website for updated information: [www.glendaleaz.com/events](http://www.glendaleaz.com/events) or follow us on [facebook.com/glendaleparksandrec](https://www.facebook.com/glendaleparksandrec)



## A Message from Councilmember Ian Hugh

### Glendale Continues to Grow Across Industries

Glendale continues to lead the west valley in commercial growth and development. Since 2008 over \$4B in commercial development has been completed with 1.5B currently under construction and \$500M planned in the future. Over 78 percent

of this development has occurred from 2015 to present. These significant investments help bring one-time and recurring tax revenues that translate into enhanced services provided to our residents.

For over a decade, Glendale has been positioning its Sports and Entertainment District as a true entertainment mecca for the Southwest. Currently with over a billion dollars of world class experiential retail under construction in the District, Glendale is leading the state in the creation of world class experiences for its residents and visitors.

In the past year, Glendale has welcomed major corporations like Williams-Sonoma and Nestlé which will bring a \$675 million investment to Glendale. Coming to the Arrowhead area are Porsche Arrowhead, adding to the lineup of luxury dealerships, and Round 1 Bowling & Amusement at Arrowhead Towne Center.

The city will soon welcome the largest resort in Arizona. VAI Resort plans to finish construction and open to the public in late 2023, with 1,200 rooms and a \$40 million-dollar rotating stage featuring live entertainment. This one-of-a-kind development includes a party island, Aerobar and over 12 restaurants. To the south of VAI Resort will be the first Mattel Adventure Park in the country including brands such as Hot-Wheels, Barbie and Thomas the Tank Engine. With additional development projects planned, Glendale is growing!

For more information about Glendale's economic development efforts and small business resources, visit [www.growglendale.com](http://www.growglendale.com).

## Teen Afterhours: Dungeons & Dragons Escape Room!

Face monsters, solve puzzles and escape our dungeon on Friday, March 10, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at the Foothills Library! Celebrate the new movie release with this escape room for ages 11-18. Enjoy crafts, activities and all things D&D! Visit <https://gplaz.org/events> to register beginning on Wednesday, March 1.

## Hunting Hummingbirds in Ecuador:

### A Photographic Exploration



From the grasslands of the Andes to the tropical rain forests of the Amazon, Ecuador is home to 132 of the over 300 species of hummingbirds in the world. Come adventuring with the Audubon Society's Bob McCormick on Monday, March 13 from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. in the Main Library Auditorium, as he shares his photos of these dazzling little birds, from hermits to pufflegs. Learn about the tropical cloud forests (where the rain doesn't come from the sky!), what it's like to stay in the country's fantastic tropical lodges and even how to take great hummingbird photos in your own backyard!

## An Afternoon of Music at the Main Library

*Enjoy an afternoon of music featuring Arizona songwriters Walt Richardson, Eric Ramsey & Patrick Martin on Sunday, March 19, from 1 – 3 p.m. in the Main Library Auditorium.*

Local icon Walt Richardson is a member of the Arizona Music & Entertainment Hall of Fame. Multi-Instrumentalist Eric Ramsey is the 2022 winner of the International Blues Challenge Solo/Duo category and the recipient of the Memphis Cigar Box Guitar Award for Outstanding Solo/Duo Guitarist. Patrick Martin was elected poet laureate for the Phoenix branch of the Arizona State Poetry Society in 2005, and his love of wordplay shines through his humorous and thought-provoking lyrics. This concert is funded by a City of Glendale Performing Arts Grant.

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