



Glendale Glitters Celebrates 30 Years! November 24 and 25!

This two-day event will feature an extravagant light display with unique, brand-new features from 5 – 10 each evening! Enjoy vendors, music, a visit with Santa and follow the candy cane trees as you shop and stroll through Downtown Glendale. Join us for the lighting ceremony on November 24 at 5:45 p.m. in front of the Glendale Civic Center. The holiday light display will remain on from November 24 – January 1.



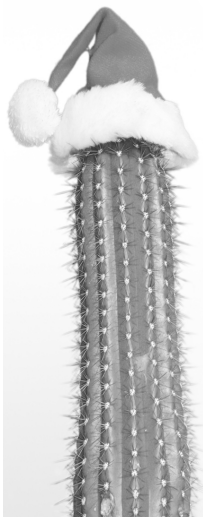
LiVE! Returns to Downtown through April!

Join us for themed monthly shows through April 2024 featuring live music, food trucks, yard games and live art installations. This month's event, *Jingle & Jam*, will take place on Saturday, December 16 from 1 – 6 p.m. Gates open at noon, and you can find us in Downtown Glendale @ The Lot on 57th Avenue & Glenn Drive. Free parking is available in the surrounding streets and Bank of America parking garage. Handicap parking is available in the event lot. Don't forget to explore Downtown Glendale before and/or after the event. Have dinner or dessert at one of many critically acclaimed restaurants and shop for gifts at one of the locally owned shops. INFO: www.GlendaleAZ.Com/Events

Get Ready to Geek Out at LIBCON West!

Saturday / December 2 / 12 – 5 p.m. / Glendale Main Library (5959 W. Brown St.)

The Glendale Public Library is proud to present its seventh annual comic convention, which is returning to its original location at the Main Library. Dress as your favorite character or come as you are to this free, all-ages celebration of everything pop culture. LIBCON West features comic books, artists, cosplay groups, food trucks, dozens of vendors, live performances, games, prizes and crafts for kids. Visit www.libconwest.org for more information.



Jingle Bell Hike December 9

Join us on Saturday, December 9 from 9 – 11 a.m. for a family friendly Jingle Bell Hike at Thunderbird Conservation Park. You don't need to be an experienced hiker to join us. It's a moderate hike on Sunrise Trail, but you only need to get halfway up to see Santa. The event is free!

INFO: www.glendaleaz.com/ParksandRec
or follow us on Facebook at
www.Facebook.com/GlendaleParksandRec



Annual Hometown Christmas Parade December 9

Join us in downtown Glendale on Saturday, December 9 at 11 a.m. for the Annual Hometown Christmas Parade. The parade is an old-fashioned community event for the whole family and features float and entry competitions. Proceeds and the food drive benefit Hope for Hunger Food Bank in Glendale. The parade begins at 52nd Avenue south of Glendale Avenue. The route will proceed west on Glendale to 58th Avenue. INFO: www.hcparade.org



A Message from Councilmember Jamie Aldama

Preserving the history of downtown Glendale and Catlin Court is more than just a nod to the past; it's a commitment to the soul of our city. The historic heart of Glendale is a treasure trove of stories, memories and architectural wonders that connect us to our roots and shape our collective identity.

Preserving downtown Glendale's history is an act of respect for those who came before us. It pays homage to the pioneers, visionaries and hardworking individuals who built this city from the ground up. Their legacy lives on in the historic buildings, streetscapes and landmarks that grace our downtown area.

Additionally, history offers valuable lessons for the present and future. Downtown Glendale serves as a living museum, showcasing the evolution of our community. By understanding our history, we gain insight into the challenges and triumphs that have shaped us. It reminds us of the resilience and innovation that define our city's character.

Preserving downtown's history also enhances our quality of life. Historic neighborhoods and landmarks contribute to a sense of place and identity. They provide a unique atmosphere that attracts residents, visitors and businesses alike. The historic charm of downtown Glendale is a magnet for commerce and tourism.

In essence, preserving the history of downtown Glendale is an investment in our heritage, our identity and our future. It ensures that generations to come will have the opportunity to appreciate the beauty and significance of our city's historic core. Let us embrace this responsibility, cherishing our past as we build the foundation for a thriving future.

I welcome you to visit Historic Downtown Glendale and Catlin Court.

Milkweed for Monarchs on December 4

Monarch butterfly populations are declining at a rapid rate due to many factors, including the loss of milkweed habitat. Join us on Monday, December 4 from 6 – 7:30 p.m. at the Glendale Main Library (5959 W. Brown St.) auditorium. Natalie Melkonoff, Plant and Insect Ecology Program Manager at the Desert Botanical Garden, will offer a presentation on the monarch and milkweed or nectar plants to use when creating monarch-friendly habitat. Participants will get to take home free desert milkweed seeds! To attend, please register at bit.ly/GLSCclasses.

Christmas in Catlin Court Friday and Saturday Evenings, December 1 – 23

Join us for the 3rd Annual Christmas in Catlin Court Friday and Saturday nights, December 1 – 23 from 6 – 8 p.m. Enjoy a hometown holiday experience throughout the century-old National Register District, which will feature thousands of twinkling holiday lights. Walk along the tree-lined streets and enjoy dozens of beautiful historic buildings which are home to locally owned shops and restaurants. Christmas in Catlin Court is also the perfect opportunity to check off your holiday gift list at the locally owned boutiques and specialty shops. Many of the shops feature items by local makers and artisans. Your holiday dining appetite will be filled at the area's award-winning iconic eateries. Admission and parking are FREE.

What Do the Holidays Mean to You?

Mon., Nov. 27th through Fri., Jan. 5th.
All four Glendale Public Library locations.

Stop by and share your love of the festive season with the Glendale Public Library! Decorate a paper symbol of Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa to show what the holidays mean to you or express a holiday wish. Give the symbol to our staff so we can decorate an area of each library with everyone's holiday cheer. All ages are welcome to participate!

From The Heart

In this season of giving, please consider giving to a program which annually provides grants to those most in need in Glendale. You can donate \$2 per month through your water bill to "From The Heart." If you don't receive a utility bill, or you want to donate more than \$2 per month, you can mail or bring a check or money order made out to "From the Heart" in any dollar amount to City of Glendale, Customer Service Office, 5752 W. Glenn Dr., Glendale, AZ 85301.

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