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Free Comic Book Day Event with Drawn to Comics and the Velma Teague Branch Library

Celebrate with a showcase of comics, artists, music, cosplayers and more

Bookstores and libraries, just like superheroes, can do great things when they team up! Drawn to Comics, downtown Glendale's source for comic books, gaming, and collectibles, is proud to partner with the Velma Teague Branch Library on Saturday, May 5 to bring you their 14th annual Free Comic Book Day experience, which promises to be their best and biggest one yet.

Activities for all ages will take place inside the Velma Teague Branch (7010 N. 58th Ave.) and outside in the surrounding Murphy Park from 12-4 p.m., as well as inside the Drawn to Comics store located across the street (5801 W. Glendale Ave.) from 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Enjoy local artists, community family activities, cosplay, pop culture musicians, and, of course, free comics galore!

"Come on down and join the fun, because this is not just any Free Comic Book Day event – this is the Drawn to Comics Free Comic Book Day Festival," said Ken Brown, owner of Drawn to Comics. "Velma Teague Library is thrilled to help host this amazing celebration of comic books and pop culture in downtown Glendale," added Greg Kinder, Administrative Librarian.

Meet renowned comic book artists who are coming to Glendale especially for this occasion. Returning IDW Publishing guest of honor Livio Ramondelli, from Los Angeles, has career credits including "Transformers," "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles," "G.I. Joe," "30 Days of Night," "Star Wars," "Battlestar Galactica," and "Pacific Rim." Attending for the first time is DC and IDW artist Eddie Nunez, from El Paso, whose credits include "Flashpoint: Lois Lane and the Resistance," "Deadpool," "Batman," "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles," "Ben 10," and "World of Warcraft." They will be joined by over 20 other comic book creators. Be sure to pick up Sean Sautter's exclusive 2018 Free Comic Book Day art print!

Take time to rock out to "Level Up! Music from Video Games and Movies," with in-store performances by the boundary-bending chamber group Driftwood Quintet, "Nintendocore" band Minibosses, and video game cover band Dratini on the Rocks. Part of the 2018 Driftwood Quintet Downtown Glendale Residency, this concert is funded by the City of Glendale's Centerline Arts & Cultural Initiative.



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Glendale Public Library is the vital link to our rapidly changing world. Our mission is to empower our community by providing free and equitable access to information, technology, cultural, educational and life enhancing materials and services.

There will be plenty of opportunities for photo ops, with local cosplay groups including the Arizona Autobots, Arizona Avengers, 501st Legion - Dune Sea Garrison, and the Phoenix Ghostbusters scheduled to attend, plus live medieval combat demonstrations by the Kingdom of Umbria. Feel free to wear your own costume!

Browse exhibitors and vendors, including Comicare, the Very Awesome Girls Phoenix, Ken's Buttons, and many more. When you need to fuel up for more fun, you can take advantage of special Free Comic Book Day deals and offers from nearby downtown restaurants.

Dating back to 2002, Free Comic Book Day is an annual event held on the first Saturday in May, during which participating comic book specialty shops across North America and around the world give away exclusive comic books for free to showcase the industry. For the past 8 years, Drawn to Comics has created a local festival that attracts over 2000 fans. In addition to the free comic books, Drawn to Comics will be offering an in-store discount of 25% off all comics on May 5 (excluding consignment items).

For more information, visit <http://drawntocomics.com/event/drawn-comics-free-comic-book-day-festival/> or contact Ken Brown at 623-847-9090 and info@drawntocomics.com. Don't miss the Glendale comic book event of the year!