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## **Celebrate Glendale Public Library's Centennial!**

**Glendale, Ariz.** — The Glendale Public Library began with 400 books in the back office of a downtown lumberyard. Word spread, and what started as a grassroots library soon became a town favorite, outgrowing several locations. In 1922, this “heartbeat of the community” officially became a city of Glendale department. Join us on September 10 for the library's Centennial celebration at the Glendale Main Library from 12 Noon until 5 p.m., with entertainment for the whole family.

Throughout the afternoon, guests are invited to get to know the library and earn a prize by completing a scavenger hunt. In the youth department, kids can create music at a musical instrument petting zoo, hosted by Bookmans Entertainment Exchange from Phoenix.

Head to the auditorium at 1 p.m. to learn about our city and our library's history. Then at 1:30 p.m., "saddle up" for a mix of tall tales and music from Singing Cowboy Gary Sprague and his horse Dusty. At 2:30 p.m., clap along to bluegrass songs from award-winning Cisco & The Racecars. Finish the afternoon with a bang at 3:30 p.m., with a performance by Ballet Folklorico Esperanza.

The Centennial Celebration continues through May of 2023, with a series of special programs focusing on the history of libraries and Arizona's heritage, featuring children's events, adult lectures, artistry workshops for all ages, a reading program for children and teens and so much more.

For more details, visit the library's calendar at [www.glendaleazlibrary.com](http://www.glendaleazlibrary.com). This event is held in partnership with Glendale's Special Events department and LiVE! @ Murphy Park. It is supported by the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records, a division of the Secretary of State, with federal funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.