

Glendale Glitters December Weekends

On Friday and Saturday evenings, December 2 – 17, downtown Glendale will be aglow with 1.5 million sparkling holiday lights and Murphy Park will be filled with entertainment, arts and crafts and delicious food. Each weekend has a special theme with all kinds of fun for all ages. Events take place 6 - 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday evenings. INFO: glendaleaz.com/events or 623-930-2299



Dec. 2 & 3



Dec. 9 & 10



Dec. 16 & 17

All non-festival evenings from November 27 – January 6, Downtown Holiday Lights Display:

Between Glendale's ever-popular festivals and even after Santa has returned to the North Pole, the 1.5 million downtown holiday lights will remain on every night from 5 - 11 p.m. through January 6. Our next event will be the Glendale Glitter & Glow Block Party on January 7.

Glendale Vintage Civic Pride Keepsake Ornaments at Special Holiday Price

While Supplies Last!

The Glendale Ambassadors have vintage collectible ornaments for sale. The collection includes ornaments featuring the Glendale Civic Center, Glendale Fire Station # 157 and mural, Glendale's award winning Fiesta of Light Parade Float, The Veteran's Memorial, Jobing.com Arena (now Gila River Arena), Historic Sahuaro Ranch Park, University of Phoenix Stadium, Manistee Ranch, Thunderbird Tower, Cerreta Candy Company and Glitter & Glow. Quantities are limited and only available while supplies last for the special price of \$5 each (normally \$10 - \$13 each). The ornaments are beautifully packaged for gift-giving and can be purchased at the Glendale Visitor Center (5800 W. Glenn Drive, #140). INFO: 623-930-4500 or visitglendale.com

Holiday Carriage Rides Begin November 27

Horse-drawn carriage rides are the perfect opportunity to spend time with friends and family, with a much-loved holiday tradition. The ride is a unique way to enjoy the light display. Carriage rides are available Sunday through Thursday evenings, between November 27 and January 6 from 6 - 9 p.m. (depending on weather and demand). The carriage ride line forms at 58th Avenue and Glenn Dr. Rides cost \$25 per carriage (up to 6 people) and take you through six blocks of historic downtown. Carriage rides will not be available during our event nights. INFO: glendaleaz.com/events or 623-930-2299



Free Green-Living Class: Simple Cents Home Efficiency December 7

Are you interested in learning some simple tips on ways to improve your home's energy and water efficiency? If so, this class is for you. Simple Cents Home Efficiency will offer you simple ways to save energy, water, and money in your home. Glendale residents that attend the class will receive free energy- and water- efficiency devices!

Join us on Wednesday, December 7 from 6 – 7:30 p.m. at the Glendale Main Library (5959 W. Brown St.) in the auditorium. Register at 623-930-3760 or greenliving@glendaleaz.com. To see a schedule of green-living classes, visit glendaleaz.com/green.

10th Annual Santa's Workshop, December 10

Holiday shopping just got easier! Kids of all ages are invited to this special event where they can purchase holiday presents (priced \$2 per item) for their friends, family and even their pets. Santa's elves will be on site to wrap their purchases. Join us at the Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center (5600 W. Union Hills Drive) on Saturday, December 10 from 10 a.m. – Noon. INFO: 623-930-4610



A Message from Mayor Jerry P. Weiers

Jordin Sparks will be Grand Marshal of Hometown Christmas Parade

As your Mayor, I believe that special events and programs, especially those activities that help the most vulnerable in our city, are extremely important. One of the events I worked hard to establish by building relationships with our nonprofit and business community is the Hometown Christmas Parade—back again for a fourth year on Sat. Dec. 10th at 11:00 a.m. in Historic Downtown Glendale.

I am very proud to announce that this year's Grand Marshal is none other than international recording artist and actress, Jordin Sparks, who is returning to her hometown to help lead our parade! While this event is not sponsored or funded by the City, last year's parade featured over 130 parade entries and 10,000 attendees! More importantly, we were able to once again present a check for \$11,000 to our local food bank Hope for Hunger. Sanderson Ford's Operation Santa Claus is again partnering with Glendale's Hometown Christmas Parade, allowing the parade to expand our outreach.

The parade is an old-fashioned community event for the whole family—to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. If you or any organization you belong to would like to participate, please visit www.hometown-christmasparade.org to register an entry or to volunteer (entries due by Nov. 28).

As always, you can reach me by phone at 623-930-2260 or email at mayorweiers@glendaleaz.com. You can also follow me on Facebook (facebook.com/MayorWeiers), Twitter ([@MayorWeiers](https://twitter.com/MayorWeiers)), and YouTube (youtube.com/MayorWeiers).

In your service,
Jerry P. Weiers, Mayor

Holiday Performances at the Libraries

Join us for one or all of these wonderful performances!

Live @ The Library: Grace Lutheran Handbell Choirs December 1 Glendale Main Library, Auditorium (5959 W. Brown St.)

The handbell choirs will perform on Thursday, December 1 at 6:30 p.m. and will play holiday favorites, demonstrate different techniques for handbell ringing & invite the audience to join in singing some familiar carols. INFO: 623-930-3530

Flutasia Flute Quartet: Holiday Performance December 3 Foothills Branch Library, Roadrunner Room (19055 N. 57th Ave.)

Join us on Saturday, December 3 at 3 p.m. for a holiday performance, featuring classical and contemporary favorites your whole family will enjoy. Performed by flutists Karen Thomasson, Rebekah Lowe, Emily Bean and Tana Welker. INFO: 623-930-3844

Glendale Coffeehouse: Holiday Jam on December 8 Glendale Main Library, Auditorium (5959 W. Brown St.)

Members of the Glendale Public Library's Acoustic Jam Session will entertain the audience with holiday favorites. Join us on Thursday, December 8 at 6:30 p.m. INFO: 623-930-3573

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."

Or you can mail a check in any amount to "From The Heart,"
City of Glendale,
Customer Service Office,
5850 W. Glendale Avenue,
1st Floor, Glendale, AZ, 85301.
GlendaleAZ.com/FromTheHeart

Polar Bear Holiday Craft December 5

Foothills Branch Library,
Hummingbird Room (19055 N. 57th Ave.)

Get in the holiday spirit by making one of these fantastic polar bear creations! All the supplies will be provided you just need to bring yourself! For kids 5 – 9. Join us on Monday, December 5 from 4 – 5 p.m. INFO: 623-930-3837

Tabletop Games for Adults December 9

Foothills Branch Library,
Hummingbird Room (19055 N. 57th Ave.)

Get your Game On! Invite your friends or meet new ones. Play some of the library's games or bring a favorite from home; board games, card games and more. Join us Friday, December 9 from 1 – 3 p.m. INFO: 623-930-3830

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Councilmember Elect Joyce Clark, Yucca District will be sworn into office on December 13, 2016.



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