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El Paso Public Libraries to Host Meet and Greet with Award-Winning Author and Illustrator Raul the Third

EL PASO, Texas—El Paso Public Libraries is proud to welcome home acclaimed author and illustrator Raul the Third for a special meet and greet on Saturday, July 5, at two library branches.

Known for his vibrant illustrations and storytelling that celebrate borderland culture, Raul the Third will lead interactive readings, share his artwork, and engage with fans of all ages. His visit is part of the 2025 Summer Reading Club, a citywide initiative that encourages children and families to stay engaged in reading through free, enriching activities all summer long.

Event Schedule:

- 10:30 a.m.: Main Library, 501 N. Oregon St.
- 2:00 p.m.: Dorris Van Doren Branch Library, 551 E. Redd Rd.

“We are so excited to welcome Raul the Third back to El Paso,” said El Paso Public Libraries Director Norma Martinez. “It’s always inspiring to see a local author connect with our community, especially someone whose work celebrates our culture and speaks so strongly to young readers.”

The event is free and open to the public.

Raul the Third is celebrated for his work on popular titles like *¡Vamos! Let’s Go to the Market* and *Lowriders in Space*, which have earned multiple accolades including Pura Belpré Honors and an Ezra Jack Keats Award. His stories reflect bilingual life on the U.S.-Mexico border, resonating with readers of all backgrounds.

This special appearance is made possible by a grant from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, administered by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

For more information about the Summer Reading Club and upcoming library events, visit ElPasoLibrary.org or call (915) 212-READ.

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