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Loteria Nights at WinterFest

Family-Friendly Event to Include Activity Booths

EL PASO, Texas—The City of El Paso invites the community to enjoy Loteria Nights from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, December 4, 11 and 18 at San Jacinto Plaza as part of WinterFest.

Guests can take part in the traditional Mexican game Lotería under the lights of historic San Jacinto Plaza. The game features colorful cards and boards showcasing iconic El Paso images. Often called Mexican bingo, Lotería uses illustrated cards instead of numbered balls, making it an easy and entertaining game for all ages.

Once a pastime of the elite, Lotería became a national favorite in the 19th and 20th centuries through traveling *ferias* (carnivals), eventually becoming a beloved game enjoyed at *fiestas* with friends and family across Mexico.

The free event will offer prizes including ice-skating tickets, El Paso Zoo passes, City Department swag, and gift certificates donated by local organizations.

In addition to Loteria Nights, various City Departments will host activity booths throughout the plaza.

Loteria Nights is one of several holiday events happening during WinterFest.

For more information, visit the El Paso WinterFest social media pages on Facebook, Instagram, or go to www.EPWinterFest.com.

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