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Kick Off the Year of the Horse Downtown

Community Invited to Seventh Annual Lunar New Year Celebration

EL PASO, Texas—The El Paso Museum of History, in partnership with community organizations, invites residents and visitors to welcome the Year of the Horse at the City's Seventh Annual Lunar New Year Celebration.

The free event will take place from noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, February 28, with activities and performances centered at Cleveland Square Park and hosted across Museums and Cultural Affairs Department sites throughout the Downtown Arts District.

Event highlights include:

- Free hands-on activities such as fire horse crafts, traditional games, food demonstrations, and red envelope making
- An artisan market featuring Asian-owned businesses selling food and cultural items
- Cultural dance performances at 3 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.
- A cultural procession through the Downtown Arts District at 4 p.m.
- Losar Sand Mandala on display at the El Paso Museum of History
- A gallery talk at the El Paso Museum of History with the Venerable Lama Losang Samten at 12 p.m.

Lunar New Year marks the beginning of a new year and the arrival of spring. The holiday is widely observed in China, Korea, Vietnam, Malaysia, Singapore, and other countries and communities around the world.

City and community partners include the Museums and Cultural Affairs Department, El Paso Museum of History, Mexican American Cultural Center, El Paso Museum of Art, El Paso Museum of Archaeology, The Market, Ai-Hwa Chinese Language School, Pho Tre Bien, Korean American Association of El Paso, Frontera Arts and Education Collaborative, La Nube, El Paso Public Library, and Centennial Museum and Chihuahuan Desert Gardens.

For more information, visit EPMuseumOfHistory.org/Visit/Lunar-New-Year.

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