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## Public Libraries to Name Iconic Mural Room at Armijo Branch Library

## Room Named in Honor of El Pasoan

WHO: City of El Paso Public LibrariesWHAT: Renaming and Plaque Unveiling

WHEN: 4 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, August 24

WHERE: Armijo Branch Library, 620 E. 7th Street

The City of El Paso Public Libraries is hosting a renaming and unveiling ceremony for the multipurpose mural room at Armijo Branch Library, 620 E. 7th Street.

The mural room will be renamed in honor of artist Carlos Callejo, who painted the iconic murals in the room over 30 years ago. A portion of the event includes unveiling a plaque that will be placed inside the room in honor of Callejo.

"When I received this commission, my assignment was to use past, present and future in the composition. I included the faces of neighborhood children in the mural with the intention of connecting them to their ancestors, themselves and their cosmic futures," said Artist Carlos Callejo.

The free event is open to the public and will include a meet and greet with the artist, refreshments, and live music from members of local band Radio La Chusma.

## **About Carlos Callejo**

Carlos Callejo is renowned Chicano muralist known for his vivid and powerful artworks that capture the cultural and historical essence of the Chicano community. Born in Ciudad Juárez, Chih., Mexico and raised in El Paso, Texas, Callejo's work is deeply influenced by his bicultural heritage and the struggles and triumphs of the Chicano people.

For more information about programs and services provided by the El Paso Public Libraries, visit <a href="https://www.ElPasoLibrary.org">www.ElPasoLibrary.org</a>

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