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Los Angeles Public Library Celebrates Native American Heritage Month *Central Library and Branches Citywide Will Offer Programs and Displays*

Los Angeles, Oct. 28, 2015—The Los Angeles Public Library will celebrate Native American Heritage Month in November with a full slate of programs and displays at the downtown Central Library and the 72 branch libraries.

Library programs include Native American dancers and storytellers, film screenings, craft sessions, and displays of Native-American themed literature.

A highlight will be Navajo storyteller Geri Kearns, who will weave together traditional music, culture and stories for children at three different libraries:

- West Valley Regional, 19036 Vanowen St., Reseda: Saturday, Nov. 7, 1:00 p.m.
- Mar Vista, 12006 Venice Blvd, Los Angeles: Tuesday, Nov. 10, 4:00 p.m.
- Pico Union, 1030 S. Alvarado St., Los Angeles: Saturday, Nov. 14, 2:00 p.m.

Visit the library's Native American Heritage Month web page for more information:

<http://www.lapl.org/nahm>.

In 1915, President Calvin Coolidge designated the first date to honor Native Americans when he proclaimed the second Saturday in May to be American Indian Day. More recently, President George H.W. Bush approved a resolution designating November 1990 as National American Indian Heritage Month. Every president since has proclaimed November the month to honor Native Americans.

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Geri Kearns

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A 2015 recipient of the nation's highest honor for library service—the National Medal from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the Los Angeles Public Library serves the largest and most diverse urban population of any library in the nation. Its Central Library, 72 branch libraries, collection of more than 6 million books, state-of-the-art technology accessible at www.lapl.org, and more than 18,000 public programs a year provide everyone with free and easy access to information and the opportunity for life-long learning.

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