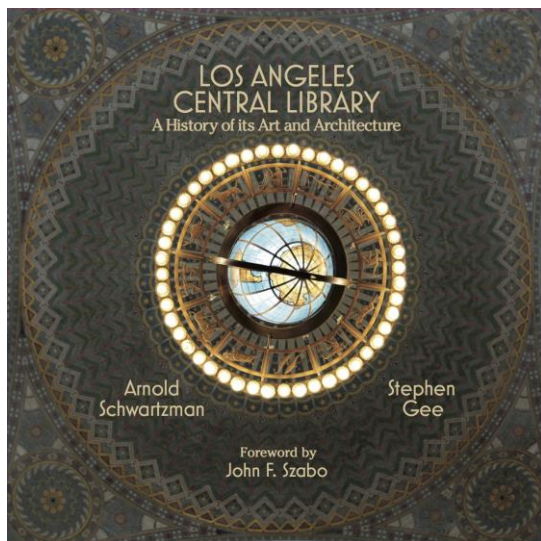


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Central Library Celebrates 90 Years in Downtown LA Landmark

Creators of Los Angeles Central Library Book, Arnold Schwartzman and Stephen Gee Join Birthday Celebration on July 6th



LOS ANGELES (June 30, 2016) – Los Angeles Public Library's Central Library will celebrate 90 years in its iconic home on Wednesday, July 6 with a day of free events for the public at 630 West 5th Street. Arnold Schwartzman and Stephen Gee, who photographed and wrote the new book *Los Angeles Central Library: A History of its Art and Architecture*, will mark the building's 90th birthday with a talk and book signing in Central Library's Taper Auditorium.

Central Library opened the doors to its new home at Fifth and Flower in 1926 to rave reviews for an architectural gem, noted for a tiled pyramid on its roof and vast interior murals. Library docents offer daily public tours of the downtown landmark's art and architectural features and Saturday tours of the garden.

Public events on July 6 include:

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| 11-11:30 a.m. | Birthday-themed storytime for children |
| 12-2:00 p.m. | 3-D printer demo |
| 12-4:00 p.m. | Scrapbooking for a library birthday album |
| 12-4:00 p.m. | Photo booth |
| 12:30-1:30 p.m. | Arnold Schwartzman and Stephen Gee talk and book signing |
| 12:30-1:30 p.m. | Library tour by docents |

The special traveling exhibit, [*State of Deception: The Power of Nazi Propaganda*](#),
(more)

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produced by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, is also open to view. It will close on August 21.

A 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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