



The largest festival in the region, **Chalk the Block** brings over 200 artists into the heart of the El Paso Downtown Arts District for a weekend-long celebration of art, color, and community! The festival is led by the City of El Paso Museums and Cultural Affairs Department (MCAD).

ART INSTALLATIONS

DESERT PLAYGOLA

An interactive playground inspired by the color and character of the Chihuahuan Desert

Nómada Estudio Urbano Cd Juárez, Chih, MX

RIVER MEMORY WALL

Add marks and memories to this interactive, collective El Paso portrait with a flowing river motif

Mitsu Overstreet El Paso, TX

THE B!G TV

Change channels between El Paso classics and new favorites on this 25-foot retro screen

THE DOORS

Open the door into a world of imagination with an interactive surprise behind every corner

BIG ART Calgary, Alta, CA

TRASH TO TREASURE X ESD

Celebrate beauty and keep the festival clean for all with 5 custom-painted bins with local flair

Michael Woznicki (WOZ ART) El Paso, TX

MCAD distributes thousands of pieces of **free chalk** each year! Visit the info tent on Franklin St to learn about community chalk areas and get your chalk.

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2026 FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

Festival Hours: 10am to 10pm | Quiet Hours: 10am to 12pm

CHALK ART COMPETITION

All day: Artists create chalk art masterpieces (chalk down 8pm)

MUSEUMS & HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

EL PASO MUSEUM OF ART

All day: Chalk the Blocks (free chalk at EPMA until 7pm)

10am to 12pm: Polytab Kite-Making**

10am to 7pm: DIY Block Portraits

3pm: Art Appreciation Talk with Professor Miguel Valenzuela

EL PASO MUSEUM OF HISTORY

All day: Scavenger Hunt; DIY Rotulistas Miniatures

10am to 2pm: Rotulistas Screenprinting**

12pm to 4pm: LEGO Build with AIA El Paso

5pm to 8pm: Puppet Workshop with Anthony Michael Stokes

7pm to 9pm: Ghost Tour with Paso del Norte Paranormal*

EL PASO MUSEUM OF ARCHAEOLOGY

All day: Chalk the Past: Vertical chalking at EPMH

MEXICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER

1pm to 4pm & 6pm to 9pm: Lentos Locos

10am to 12pm & 1pm to 9pm: Low-Sensory Room**

LA NUBE STEAM DISCOVERY CENTER

11am & 2pm: Blast Off! Chalk Rocket Lab*

EL PASO PUBLIC LIBRARY MAIN BRANCH

12pm to 5:30pm: Silent Disco Doodles with Centre Future

DOWNTOWN VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER

All day: Music and coloring; Amigo Man chalk drawing competition*

RIDE THE EL PASO STREETCAR

3pm to 6pm: Temporary tattoos and music on board

MUSIC & PERFORMANCES

MAIN STAGE

12pm: Capitan Enigma

2pm: Pie Sisters

3pm: Jamal Streeter

5pm: Nevermind (NVDM)

6pm: Sultanes del Yonke

HEADLINER

8:30pm: CHUWI

DJ STAGE

12pm to 10pm: DJ sets

Music and DJ Stage artwork curated by Adrian Correa

B!G TV STAGE

12:30pm to 2pm: Baby Rave dance party with DJ Candy Wave

6:30pm: Fantastic Mr. Fox Film Fiesta with Plaza Classic Film Festival

FOOD, SHOPPING, & MORE Open during event hours

THE MARKET AT CTB Handmade goods from local artisan vendors

FOOD TRUCKS Multiple locations for tasty treats

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

Festival Hours: 10am to 6pm | Quiet Hours: 10am to 12pm

CHALK ART COMPETITION

All day: Chalk art masterpieces on display

1pm: Award ceremony at MACC

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All day: Scavenger Hunt; DIY Rotulistas Miniatures

10am to 2pm: Rotulistas Screenprinting**

1pm to 4pm: Drop-In Puppet Workshop with Anthony Michael Stokes

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3pm to 4:30pm: Tween Time Chalk Art with giant chalk

12pm to 5:30pm: Silent Disco Doodles with Centre Future

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*Registration required **Low-sensory activity

Chalk the Block is for everyone! The MCAD info table provides chalk holders and noise-dampening headsets, as well as a pre-visit guide for attendees. Inside museums, sensory kits and quiet spaces are available upon request at the front desk.

Learn more about the festival at
www.ChalkTheBlock.com