

El Morro Theatre set to reopen with concert

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Theatre has been closed since last fall

After being closed for repairs since September, the El Morro Theatre is ready to reopen for business.

El Morro Theatre and events center manager Everett Homer announced the news during the Gallup City Council regular meeting March 26.

According to Homer, the stage construction project was finished just hours before the regular meeting and the theatre was being cleaned while the meeting was underway. He added that work on the theatre screen was nearly finished, but was paused once paint jobs began.

The theatre staff is scheduled to finish cleaning and installing projection and audio equipment before the upcoming concert, Homer said.

The first event planned for the newly refurbished El Morro Theatre is a performance by 7th Ave on March 29. Tickets will cost \$10.

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Homer said that movies will begin playing at El Morro Theatre again on April 5. The first film that will be screened after the theatre's hiatus is the Oscar-winning film from last year, *A Star is Born*.

"The El Morro is a star of Gallup, so it's fitting," Homer said.

A grand reopening will be held for the El Morro Theatre on April 19, Homer said. The event will be open to the public and marked by a series of films including *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*,

Jaws
, and
The Sound of Music.

Mayor Jackie McKinney thanked Homer and his staff for their hard work on the project. He stated previously that getting the theatre up and running again was important since it is a big revenue stream for the City of Gallup.

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