

# El Cerrito Centennial



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***El Cerrito incorporated as a City on August 23, 1917, after a "spirited" vote by the residents of the un-incorporated areas of Stege Junction (near San Pablo and Potrero Avenues) and Rust. Two other small communities were also included in the new town: Schmidville (which was centered around Schmidt Lane) and Schindler (the area near today's Fairmount Ave. and Richmond St.), giving El Cerrito an estimated initial population of 1,400.***

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***For more event details and volunteer opportunities, visit the City's Centennial website, [www.elcerrito100.org](http://www.elcerrito100.org)***

***Note: Events and Details are all subject to change.***

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Sept 9 & 10 - Staged reading of the 1917 Broadway hit, Hamilton

Saturday, Sept 9 at 8pm, repeated Sunday, Sept 10 at 2pm at Contra Costa Civic Theatre (951 Pomona Ave)

- Hear a staged reading of the 1917 Broadway hit, HAMILTON --the play, not the musical-- by Mary P. Hamlin and George Arliss.
- Hosted by Contra Costa Civic Theatre
- Tickets \$2.50 per person (the price you would have paid to see the show on Broadway in 1917)

Sept 14 - Centennial Celebration at the Cerrito Theater

- 7pm at Rialto Cinemas Cerrito (10070 San Pablo Ave)
- Talk by Joanne Taylor, plus a classic film
- Hosted by Friends of the Cerrito Theater and the El Cerrito Historical Society
- Ticket info will be posted at <https://cerritotheater.org>

## Centennial "Big Bash Weekend" - Hosted by Centennial Task Force

Sept 15 - Family Night at Cerrito Vista Park

- Approx. 8pm at Cerrito Vista Park (950 Pomona Ave)
- Details to be posted in the spring

Sept 16 - El Cerrito's Youth Dance the Evening Away

- 6pm-9pm at El Cerrito Community Center (7007 Moeser Lane)
- Details including ticket information will be posted in spring

Sept 16 - El Cerrito Showcase Parade

- 11am-2:30pm; Parade route will be listed on this page in the spring
- Join in the parade, or cheer on parade participants as they enter Cerrito Vista Park
- After the parade, there will be lunch, including free birthday cupcakes, entertainment and student chalk art

Sept 17 - Centennial Gala Dinner

- 4pm at Mira Vista Golf & Country Club (7901 Cutting Blvd)
- Ticket info will be posted online.

Sept 17 - Outdoor Service and Annual Bazaar

- 11:30 (service) 12pm-5pm (bazaar) at Sycamore Congregational Church UCC (1111 Navellier St.)
- This annual extravaganza of Japanese American Culture is hosted by Sycamore Congregational Church UCC

Sept 23- Tri-City Safety Day

- Details to be posted in the spring about this annual event at El Cerrito Plaza (1000 San Pablo Ave)
- Hosted by the El Cerrito, Kensington & Albany Fire & Police Departments
- Details to be posted later in the year.

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