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BANDS, BITES, AND BOATS

Sep 1, 5:30-7:30 p.m. | Bond Park Boathouse

Enjoy an evening at the lake with live music from *Mysti Mayhem*, bites by *Jerk Man Island Cuisine* and *Las Gringas*, and brews from *Fortnight Brewing*. Boat rentals will be open, so you can relax on the lake while listening to live music. For more, visit carync.gov/bandsbitesboats

ASIA FEST WITH DRAGON BOAT RACING

Sep 16, 10:30 a.m. | Koka Booth Amphitheatre

Asian Focus presents Cary's 8th annual Asia Fest featuring the Greater Triangle Area Dragon Boat Festival. Each year approximately 10,000 visitors attend the nearly 100 exhibits and activities such as cultural displays, exciting games, health screenings, unique performances, and of course, the signature dragon boat races on Symphony Lake. The festival also features a wide variety of delicious foods from across the world. For tickets and more information, visit boothamphitheatre.com

MARVELOUS MUSIC MAINSTAGE SERIES: "ELLA, THE EARLY YEARS"-AMANDA KING IN CONCERT

Sep 16, 7:30 p.m. | Cary Arts Center

Amanda King has delighted audiences from New York City to San Francisco with her joyous celebration. Focusing on Ella Fitzgerald's early career with great music and superb storytelling, Amanda is backed by a big band ensemble to deliver a wonderful jazz concert as well as a cultural retrospective. Visit carync.gov/marvelousmusic

CARY PUBLIC SAFETY DAY

Sep 16, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. | Downtown Cary

Come out and visit with public safety organizations throughout the area. We'll have a kids' area and food trucks and the annual Police vs. Fire Fitness Challenge! carync.gov/publicsafetyday



WINTER YOUTH BASKETBALL REGISTRATION FOR AGES 5-18

Registration opens mid-September. The season is currently scheduled to run November to early February. Ages are determined as of October 15, 2023. For more, visit carync.gov/winterbasketball



ATLANTIC TIRE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sep 10-17 | Cary Tennis Park

The Atlantic Tire Championship event is part of the ATP Challenger tour. This professional men's tennis tournament draws players from across the globe right here to Cary Tennis Park. This is fun for the family or a great outing for friends, co-workers, and more! For tickets and more information, visit AtlanticTireChampionships.com

WOMEN'S FALL COLLEGE TENNIS RANKED SPOTLIGHT

Sep 21-24, 8 p.m. | Cary Tennis Park

The Wolfpack women's tennis team will play host to the 2023 Fall College Ranked Spotlight. This will be NC State's third consecutive year hosting the tournament.

ENGAGE: PARKS & OPEN SPACE PLAN

Cary is updating its Parks and Open Space Plan, and we will be seeking input this summer. Please make time to attend one of the upcoming opportunities. All sessions are drop-in, so stop by anytime:

- Sat & Sun, Aug 26 & 27 – Lazy Daze, Town Hall (9 a.m.-5 p.m.)
- Mon, Aug 28 – Ritter Park Rotary Shelter (6:30-8 p.m.)
- Tue, Aug 29 – Cary Senior Center (1-2:30 p.m.)
- Tue, Aug 29 – Mills Park Elementary School (6:30-8 p.m.)

If you would like to share feedback, but are unable to attend, we will have an online feedback form available later this month. For more information, visit carync.gov/openspaceplan

CERT BASIC COURSE

Cary CERT team will be hosting a CERT basic course in partnership with the Cary Fire Department on Sep 8, 6:30-9 p.m. and Sep 9-10, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. This free training serves as an introduction to the CERT program and training in disaster preparedness, light search and rescue, and medical care. In addition, you will learn about Cary's CERT team and ways to get involved with education initiatives and making your community more resilient in the event of natural disasters and other emergencies. If you are interested in attending this training, register on NC Terms at terms.ncem.gov/TRS

If you have questions, contact the Cary CERT coordinator Dawn Truskowski at dawntrusk@yahoo.com. For information about Cary CERT, visit carycert.org, For more about the CERT basic course and to download the manuals, visit community.fema.gov



CARY IT GREEN

Double Your Chances In Upcoming My Tree, Our Tree Giveaway

Exciting news about My Tree, Our Tree, our community's program to increase our urban canopy. Based on program feedback and participation, we will now be giving away twice as many this fall, that is a total of 1,000 trees. Additionally, to be more fair and equitable, we'll shift to a lottery system to award tree recipients. That means instead of registering starting at a certain date, you'll now have a full week to drop your name in the virtual hat and have your chances of winning a free tree doubled. Stay tuned for specific dates and lottery registration in next month's BUD, Cary It Green, or visit carync.gov/MyTreeOurTree

Join Us On The Farm This Fall

Cary's historic teaching farm has a host of themed activities scheduled this September. Learn more about growing your own garden at home by registering for a workshop on composting, gardening, or native plants; or come get your hands dirty and work with our farmers at the farm by registering for a volunteer workday. Our **Harvest Fest** celebration is free family fun that includes farm tours, live music, produce sales, children's activities, and food and drink for sale. And don't miss our **Farm to Fork** celebration and dinner for an evening of dining and dancing under the stars. Tickets for this event include a live concert with *Into the Fog*, a gourmet locally-sourced meal, a unique farm tour, and a signature gift with all ticket sales going to support the work of Good Hope Farm as we bring food security to our community and support local farmers. For more information, visit carync.gov/goodhopefarm

Dig In And Grow Green This Fall

Join Cary's culture of conservation by participating in one of our environmentally-focused classes or events this fall. Learn about important topics such as residential solar, native plants, backyard composting, tree care, and more. Visit carync.gov/green

COUNT ME IN, CARY! | STEWARDSHIP STRATEGIES FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

LAST CALL FOR CLIMATE STRATEGY FEEDBACK *Count Me In, Cary!* is our campaign to explore the impacts of a changing climate, identify challenges and opportunities, and implement solutions that work for us. To create a Climate Action Strategy that is reflective of our community's needs and priorities, we need your input. Now is your last chance to respond to our community surveys - they will close September 1. Visit the [#CountMeInCary](https://www.instagram.com/CountMeInCary) Engagement Hub to provide input on how Cary can transform waste management, drive the transition to clean energy, protect and enhance our natural resources, and more carync.gov/CountMeInCary

Cary is currently updating our bike plan, and we value your participation. Visit carync.gov/BikeCary to learn more about upcoming events and opportunities to get involved during the planning process. Your involvement is vital in shaping the future of bicycling in Cary.



ROAD IMPROVEMENTS! The Kildaire Farm Road Improvements Project in Downtown Cary is nearing completion. This multi-faceted project includes transportation safety, utility and aesthetic improvements to a key downtown gateway. The project improved Kildaire Farm Road alignment for northbound traffic, installed Accessible Pedestrian Signals and pedestrian-level lighting, replaced watermains and buried utility lines. Landscaping will be installed in the newly constructed median this fall.

HOMETOWN SPIRIT NOMINEES WANTED!

Do you know a Cary citizen who embodies the Cary spirit? Let us know! We are accepting nominations for our Hometown Spirit Award from August 25 through September 22. Nominees must be age 21 or older and should demonstrate qualities like helping neighbors, showing hospitality, promoting a sense of community, or displaying patriotism. A panel will select the winner after the nomination period ends. The top three nominees will be recognized at a reception and the winner will be announced in November. For more information, visit carync.gov/spirit

2023 ELECTION PHOTO ID

Don't delay! Now is the time to secure an accepted form of photo ID for the 2023 Cary Municipal Election on Oct 10, with early voting occurring Sep 21-Oct 7. Beginning this year, North Carolina voters will be required to show a photo ID when voting.

For information on accepted forms of photo ID, visit ncsbe.gov/voting/voter-id

2023 Cary Municipal Election information is available at carync.gov/elections

CULTURAL CALENDAR

Performances at the Page:

Roadhouse Storytellers

Sep 9 | 7 p.m. | \$22

Page-Walker Arts & History Center

carync.gov/page-walker

Generation X vs. Millennial Comedy Show with Marc Price

Sep 15 | 8 p.m. | The Cary Theater

Tickets & Info thecarytheater.com

BEYOND: The Cary Film Festival

Sep 21-24 | The Cary Theater

Experience the best of film up close as The Cary Theater screens short films from NC and around the world. Tickets & Info thecarytheater.com/beyond

"One Day Wonder" Exhibit

Sep 22 | 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Page-Walker Arts & History Center

In celebration of Constitution Week, there will be a special one-day display of the original 1776 NC State Constitution and Declaration of Rights with other foundational documents from the NC Archives. "One Day Wonder" is being co-hosted by the Asbury Station and Samuel Johnston Chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

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SHARE WITH US!

Citizens and businesses are encouraged to share their budget priorities with Cary at any point in the year, and we'll share what we hear with Town Council through quarterly reporting. Cary's fiscal year runs July 1-June 30. Let us hear from you!

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