



City of Concord Holiday Events



The City of Concord's **27th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony**, presented by Eli Lilly, is on **Friday, November 22**, and the **96th Concord Christmas Parade**, presented by TrueCare Pharmacy, will be the following day on **Saturday, November 23**.

Friday, November 22, 6-8:30 p.m. - 27th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony, Presented by Eli Lilly

- There will be kids' activities in the Winter Wonderland, sponsored by Uwharrie Bank, photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus at Santa Land, sponsored by Kinetic by Windstream, live musical performances on the main stage, food trucks, fireworks,

and more!

- The Illuminated city vehicle display will return and visitors will enjoy meeting some of their favorite holiday characters as they stroll through the festive displays on their way to meet Santa or watch the fireworks.
- The fireworks display will begin at 8:20 p.m. and is best viewed from the Bicentennial Parking Lot on Church Street.
- Check out our event layout and map below.



27th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

Presented By:



Sponsors:



Saturday, November 23, 2:30 p.m. - 96th Concord Christmas Parade, presented by TrueCare Pharmacy

- Concord's Christmas Parade is a holiday tradition you don't want to miss! It's one of the oldest and continuously running Christmas parades in North Carolina.
- The parade is returning to Union Street this year! It begins at the intersection of Church Street N and Lake Concord Road, and continues over two miles along Church Street, Buffalo Avenue, and Union Street, ending at the intersection of Union Street and Corban Avenue.
- Bands, schools, churches, and civic organizations from across the City will participate and are eligible to win prizes for best-in-show!
- Check out our event map below for the parade route.



Visit our website for the latest information on the Tree Lighting Ceremony and Concord Christmas Parade. Information on road closures to accommodate the events will be posted next week: concordnc.gov/christmas.



Be Part of the 96th Concord Christmas Parade!

Represent your community and join the Partnerships for Stronger Neighborhoods Program Parade Float

The Partnerships for Stronger Neighborhoods Program will once again participate with a festive float! As a member of this program, we invite you to join us on our parade float!

If you'd like to represent your neighborhood and ride on the float, please fill out the application below. Spots are limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis, with restrictions on the number of participants from each neighborhood.

Don't miss this great opportunity—complete the application to reserve your spot today!

[Reserve your spot here!](#)

**Downtown Concord • Southern Strain
Beer Co. • Cabarrus Brewing Co. @ Gibson Mill**



Shop the Holiday Trail!

NOV. 30 | 11 AM - 4 PM

TWO TROLLEYS • THREE LOCATIONS • 100+ VENDORS

Join us on Saturday, November 30, from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. for a unique shopping experience and support our local small businesses.

Here's what's in store:

- Shop and dine at your favorite Downtown Concord shops and restaurants.
- Explore over 50 indoor and outdoor pop-up vendors in Downtown Concord.
- Stop by the Cabarrus Arts Council artist market to write letters to Santa!
- Hop on the trolley in downtown and head to one of two stops for even more great shopping and dining:
 - Visit the Cabarrus Brewing Company Holiday Market at Gibson Mill
 - Stop by Southern Strain Brewing Company for Small Business Saturday specials!

Come out and celebrate with your neighbors and support the small businesses that make our city such a special place to call home!

[Event Details](#)

PROGRAM BENEFITS

**Maximize the Benefits of Being a Recognized
Neighborhood**



Is your neighborhood taking advantage of all the benefits of being a Recognized Neighborhood?

One key benefit is easy access to our City departments with staff available to attend your neighborhood meetings. Recognized Neighborhoods can request a City staff member to attend and speak at their Neighborhood Association meetings about topics of interest - from the latest crime data, garbage and recycling, the latest happenings from Parks and Recreation, transportation projects, and more.

If you'd like to arrange a speaker, please contact your neighborhood liaison at least 30 days before your scheduled meeting date.

Not sure who your neighborhood liaison is? Reach out to the Community Outreach Coordinator, Raeshawn Palmer, at 704-920-5298 or by [email](#).

PUBLIC INPUT OPPORTUNITY



There is Still Time!
Help Us Design the New Les Myers Park Mural

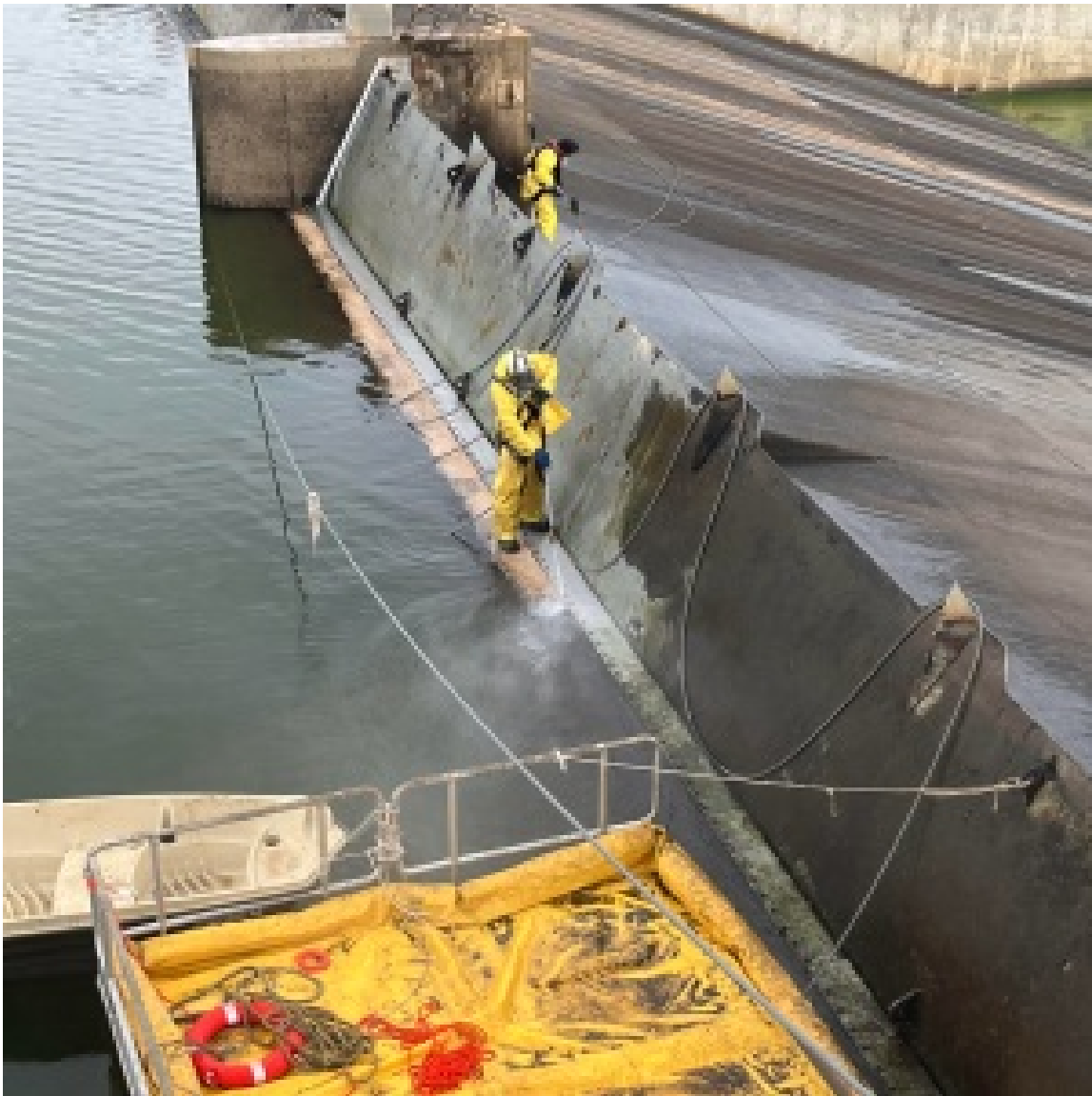
A new public art project is coming to Les Myers Park and the community can help guide the mural design by participating in the brief online survey. The City of Concord Public Art Commission is working on the City's first Council-commissioned mural and wants it to reflect the values, interests, and aesthetics of the community. To accomplish this, the Commission needs to hear from residents.

The online survey is available [here](#) and closes end of day on Sunday, November 17.

The new mural at Les Myers Park will go on the existing tennis wall that is visible to Lawndale Avenue and adjacent to the upper parking lot and tennis courts. The mural is anticipated to be completed in May 2025.

More information about the Public Art Commission and the City's Public Art Master plan is available [here](#).

Water & Sewer Authority of Cabarrus County



Lake Don T. Howell Water Level Lowered for Maintenance

The Water & Sewer Authority of Cabarrus County (WSACC) has lowered the water level at Lake Don T. Howell by about five feet to complete planned maintenance on the dam. This work started in early November and will take about two months. Once done, the lake will return to its normal water level.

This maintenance is not due to recent weather or damage but is a proactive step to keep

the dam safe and working properly. The dam is inspected regularly, with the most recent inspection completed on June 6, 2024.

For more information, visit [WSACC's website](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

FREE Workshop for Landlords and Property Managers



FREE VIRTUAL WORKSHOP FOR LANDLORDS & PROPERTY MANAGERS



NOVEMBER 21, 2024
12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.



CONCORDNC.GOV/LLPMWORKSHOP



EQUAL HOUSING
OPPORTUNITY



Are you a Landlord or Property Manager in Concord and interested in expanding your knowledge of fair housing laws? Join us for a free virtual workshop on November 21. Participants will learn more about tenants' rights and responsibilities and the federal and state laws that govern these rights.

[Register Here!](#)

MONTHLY TIPS



Litter can be a big problem for streams. When it rains, rainwater washes litter into the storm drains. The water leads directly into our creeks and streams and does not get cleaned along the way. Litter can also block storm drains which can lead to local flooding. Keep Concord litter free and help prevent stormwater pollution.

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