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INFORMATION:

Micromobility Art Contest Winners

Staff Resource: Hannah Dos Santos, Transportation, 996-2165, hannah.dossantos@raleighnc.gov

During the month of May, the Transportation Department hosted a micromobility art contest in celebration of Bike Month. Students in Raleigh from kindergarten to Grade 12 were invited to explore the theme of sustainable transportation by submitting original artwork. The contest aimed to inspire young minds to reflect on sustainability and share their creative visions, with the added incentive that the winning submissions would be featured at select bikeshare stations around Raleigh.

An artist review panel selected 24 creative pieces, which are now proudly displayed across 28 of the city's 31 bikeshare stations. The contest received submissions from students in every district in Raleigh and all districts are represented amongst the winning submissions. Four submissions were printed twice and featured at multiple locations due to the exceptional ratings these submissions received from the artist review panel.



Hillsborough & Harrington bikeshare station featuring a winning submission.

The Transportation Department extends thanks to all the talented young artists, teachers, and school administrators who took part in this initiative, making it a memorable and impactful event to come out of Raleigh's Bike Month events. Due to the success of our first contest, we look forward to hosting another micromobility art contest in the future.



Fayetteville Street bikeshare station featuring a winning submission.



Davie & Dawson bikeshare station featuring a winning submission.

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Weekly Digest of Special Events

Staff Resource: Sarah Heinsohn, Office of Special Events, 996-2200, <u>sarah.heinsohn@raleiqhnc.qov</u>. Included with the Update materials is the special events digest for the upcoming week. (Attachment)

Council Member Follow Up Items

Follow up from July 2 City Council Meeting

Contamination in Curbside Collection Carts (Council Member Branch)

Staff Resource: Marianne Sweden, Solid Waste Services, 996-6795, marianne.sweden@raleighnc.gov

During the meeting Council requested staff for information on cross-contamination in curbside carts. The Solid Waste Services (SWS) department is aware of the challenges posed by cross-contamination of garbage, recycling, and yard waste carts. To mitigate contamination and educate citizens on the proper way to prepare garbage, recycling, and yard waste, several measures have been implemented. These include:

- Conducting an annual composition study to analyze the types and quantities of materials in the waste stream. This study helps us understand the waste composition in our city, improve recycling processes, provide education to our residents, enhance material recovery, and reduce contamination.
- Utilizing a paper "*Oops*" tag which informs residents of improper cart preparation and provides steps to assist SWS in avoiding future service delays. These tags are placed directly on carts during service delivery as needed.
- Using radios for better communication among staff in the field. This tool allows field staff to directly communicate preparation and contamination concerns to staff in the office.
- Piloting a Field Observation App, which allows staff to report issues directly from the field to supervisors.
- Launching the Raleigh Reuse app, which empowers residents by providing detailed collection calendars, an extensive waste directory, and a waste sorting game. This tool enhances education, communication, and outreach efforts, helping to decrease recycling contamination rates.

Hazardous Materials

There are several items that SWS does not collect if placed inside a curbside cart. These materials are considered hazardous and pose a safety risk for both equipment operators and vehicles. <u>A list of items that cannot be collected is found on our website</u>. If hazardous items are visible to SWS staff, the cart will not be collected as those items must be disposed of in the proper manner.

Residents can also use the <u>Raleigh Reuse app and web tool</u> to locate alternative disposal sites. Staff has utilized the Raleigh Reuse application to intensify efforts to educate residents on what is allowed as well as the hazards created when improper items end up in SWS vehicles.

Staff is committed to increasing communication and outreach efforts to ensure residents are well-informed about safe disposal practices.

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Weekly Events Digest

Friday, July 26 – Thursday, August 1

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Permitted Special Events

GalaxyCon

Raleigh Convention Center & Cabarrus Street Friday, July 26 - Sunday, July 28 Event Time: 10:00am - 8:00pm on 7-26-24 & 7-27-24; 10:00am - 6:00pm on 7-28-24 Associated Road Closures: W. Cabarrus Street between S. McDowell Street and S. Salisbury Street will be closed from 10:00am on 7-24-24 until 2:00am on 7-29-24.

Taste of Soul NC

City Plaza Saturday, July 27 Event Time: 12:00pm - 6:00pm Associated Road Closures: Fayetteville Street between Davie Street and the south end of City Plaza will be closed from 9:00am until 9:00pm.

Lincoln Theatre Concert Series

Cabarrus Street Saturday, July 27 Event Time: 5:30pm - 11:30pm Associated Road Closures: E. Cabarrus Street between S. Blount Street and S. Wilmington Street will be closed from 7:00am on 7-27-24 until 2:00am on 7-28-24.

Live After 5

City Plaza Wednesday, July 31 Event Time: 6:00pm - 9:00pm Associated Road Closures: Fayetteville Street between Davie Street and the south end of City Plaza will be closed from 12:00pm until 11:59pm.

Other Upcoming Events

<u>Grand Slam Trivia</u> Friday, July 26 City of Raleigh Museum

Artist Reception

Saturday, July 27 Pullen Arts Center

The Magic of Motown

Saturday, July 27 Meymandi Concert Hall

Lamb of God & Mastodon

Saturday, July 27 Red Hat Amphitheater

Monster Jam

Saturday, July 27 & Sunday, July 28 PNC Arena

Dream Moore Market

Sunday, July 28 Moore Square

Atif Aslam Live in Concert

Sunday, July 28 Memorial Auditorium

Summer Concert Series Sunday, July 28

Fred Fletcher Park

Southeast Raleigh Bond Projects Drop-In Open House

Tuesday, July 30 John Chavis Memorial Park

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PNC Arena

Plant Pals: Air Plant Terrarium Wednesday, July 31 The Chapel at Dix Park

Jamey Johnson with Southall Thursday, August 1 Red Hat Amphitheater

Public Resources

Event Feedback Form: Tell us what you think about Raleigh events! We welcome feedback and encourage you to provide comments or concerns about any events regulated by the Office of Special Events. We will use this helpful information in future planning.

Road Closure and Road Race Map: A resource providing current information on street closures in Raleigh.

Online Events Calendar: View all currently scheduled events that impact city streets, public plazas, and Dorothea Dix Park.