



# A PLACE TO IMAGINE

SEPTEMBER 2018

## INTERNATIONAL NORCROSS

Celebrate Gwinnett's Diversity with the Gateway International Food & Music Festival & British Car Fayre!

### "The British Are Coming!" to Downtown Norcross on September 8

Festival to feature classic British cars and motorcycles, a car boot sale and of course...tea!

The Atlanta British Car Fayre is the annual gathering of British car and motorcycle enthusiasts in Historic Downtown Norcross. Now considered the largest of its kind in the region, visitors come from miles around to explore the rare, the vintage and the fast. This year's Fayre will be held on September 8th from 10 a.m. - 3p.m., and marks 18 years of the highly anticipated festivities.

With polished leather, gleaming paint and spot-free chrome, the featured marque of this year's Car Fayre will be Jaguar. It will be joined by Rolls-Royces, MGs, Triumphs, Austin-Healeys, Sunbeams, Aston-Martins, Land Rovers, Lotuses and other iconic British automobiles. With a section for British motorcycles including many rare, vintage models, expect to see over 400 vehicles on display!

"We are excited to once again welcome the Atlanta British Car Fayre to Norcross," states City of Norcross Mayor Craig Newton. "Going on 18 years, the event has become a tradition the City looks forward to each year, and no matter if you're a true car buff or are just here for the fish and chips,

we invite you to come out and share in the energy of these time-honored festivities."

The Atlanta British Car Fayre is free of charge and anticipates more than 15,000 visitors. The City of Norcross will close streets in the downtown area for the day, and a free shuttle bus service will be available from two nearby locations.

The Brits are taking over Norcross—even our merchants are in on the festivities! For authentic British food try the fish and chips from Iron Horse Tavern, or visit the Vintage English Tea Room in the Masonic Lodge for a light lunch or proper 'afternoon tea' with scones, jam, double Devon cream and REAL English tea.

### Gateway International Food & Music Festival to be Held on September 15

Festival to celebrate cultural diversity and feature food, dance, music and art from around the world.

Go around the world in one day without leaving downtown Norcross at the Gateway International Food & Music Festival on September 15 from 3 - 7 p.m. at Lillian Webb Park. Held in conjunction with Welcoming America's "Welcoming Week", this event will showcase the region's best multicultural talent and food



while highlighting the rich cultural contributions of Gwinnett's diverse communities.

The festival will feature a variety of outstanding performers and showcase the area's cultural heritage through food, dance, music and art. The festival will include activities that offers fun for all ages. In addition, international and local food vendors will be selling delectable tastes of their home countries. Cultural performances will begin at 3:10 p.m.

Bring the whole family as we celebrate the cultural diversity of Gwinnett County without leaving the park! Admission to the festival is free.

**For more information, visit  
[aplacetoimagine.com](http://aplacetoimagine.com).**

# NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN-UP & RECYCLING DAY

Saturday, September 29, 2018



## Shredding Event

Shred-it will be on-site with their shred truck. Watch on the video display as your materials are shredded securely. This event is open to the public and is FREE. Limited to 5 medium boxes or equivalent. Location: Norcross City Hall, 65 Lawrenceville Street, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. or until the truck is full.

## Clean-up Day

Get a jumpstart on your Spring cleaning this Fall! Bring us anything that is not hazardous material. Open to City of Norcross residents (proof of residency required). This event is FREE. Location: Public Works Facility, 345 Lively Avenue (just off Buford Hwy), 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

## Electronics Recycling

Get rid of old cell phones, computers and keyboards without guilt! Atlanta Recycling Solutions and City volunteers will help you unload. For a complete list of recyclables visit the City website and look on the flyer. This event is open to the public. This event is free except for televisions which require a \$20 fee. CRT Monitors are \$10.00. NOTE: We cannot accept console or projection televisions. Location: Norcross Community Center, 10 College Street, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

For complete information on these events and what material are allowed at each event, please visit [www.norcrossga.net](http://www.norcrossga.net) to view informational flyers or contact Sonya Isaac at 678.421.2027

## 2018 "CAN" Do for Hunger Campaign

Donate canned or non-perishable goods for our local food bank and help support the Norcross 2018 "CAN" Do for Hunger Campaign!





## 9/11 TRIBUTE

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**

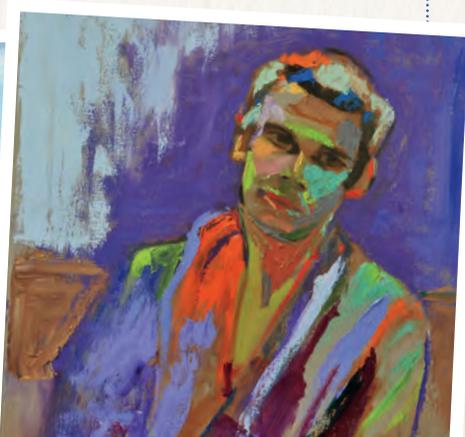
Betty Mauldin Park  
8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Please join the City of Norcross, Norcross Masonic Lodge, Norcross Police Department and Gwinnett Fire Department as we pay tribute to those who were impacted by this tragedy.

## ARTSOME 4

Norcross is so excited about our next art show at The Rectory! Featuring four award-winning artists (Jane Carroll, Linda Hanks, Sherry Needle and Mozelle Funderburk), the show will not only exhibit amazing work in a variety of mediums, but also serve as a fundraiser for Focus + Fragile Kids to help children with medical conditions. The exhibit will run from September 21st through October 26th with an opening reception on the 21st from 6 - 8 p.m.

**Learn more about the artists and Focus + Fragile Kids at [aplacetoimagine.com](http://aplacetoimagine.com)!**



## HAVE A PROBLEM?

With the RequestTracker on NorcrossGA.net, we can help you solve it. Simply go to the Help Center and Click "Report a Problem."



## MONDAY FUN DAY!

*By: Callie Murray*

My three-year-old runs into the living room yelling, "It's Monday Fun Day! It's Monday Fun Day!" We drive to Thrasher Park and my daughters, baby dolls in tow, join the kid yoga session happening under the shade of one of the park's big trees. A few minutes later, the girls jump up, running to hug our neighbors, and then my middle daughter spots a friend from school and yells for me to get her mom's phone number. Later, the kids sit for story-telling and crafts with Ms. Donna while I visit with friends who we spot walking by. We strike up a conversation with the couple pushing their baby in the swing-one-over and decide to get dinner. Later that evening, I get into the car and say to my husband, "I am so happy," because this is the stuff that small-town living dreams are made of.

Monday Fun Day has become something our family looks forward to each week: a free activity for the kids (sometimes it's face-painting, sometimes story-telling, sometimes yoga...) and free kids meals at participating restaurants. More importantly, it's been an opportunity to connect with local friends and to meet new neighbors. We've even had friends from neighboring towns - Alpharetta, PTC, Sugar Hill - join us, and we watch them fall in love with the green grass and trains of Thrasher Park and the thrill of the bay leaf hunt at Mojitos.

**Monday Fun Days will continue through the end of September from 5 - 7 p.m. on Monday evenings in Thrasher Park. Come join the fun, and make this a little Norcross family tradition!**

# NORCROSS SPOTLIGHT

## NPAC TO WELCOME NEW SCULPTURE & MURAL ART ON SEPT 30TH

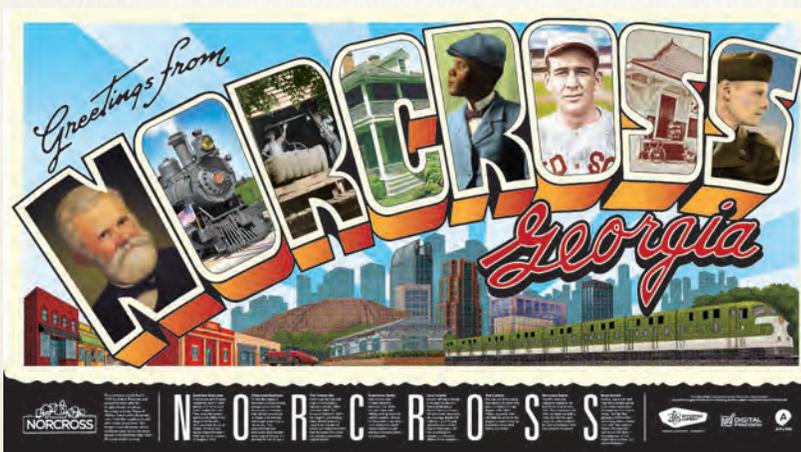
The Norcross Public Arts Commission is proud to announce the approaching completion of two new pieces of public art for Downtown Norcross: the "Eastern Continental Divide" sculpture and "Greetings from Norcross" wall mural.

Each have distinct representation for the City of Norcross and hope to create a sense of pride in onlooking citizens. The planning process and execution of these public art pieces have been a work in progress for many months, and the artists and commission who have assisted in the production of these projects take much delight in finally sharing with the City their masterpieces.

**The unveiling ceremony will take place on Sunday, September 30th in the afternoon, and any and all are welcome to attend.**

### "EASTERN CONTINENTAL DIVIDE" SCULPTURE

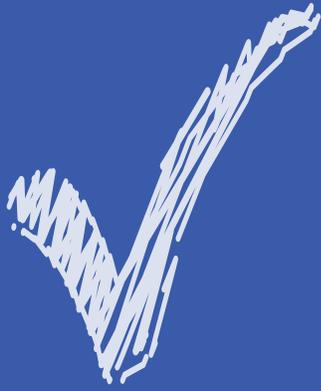
Located in Thrasher Park and designed by artist Jennifer Freeman (known for her work on the Mitchell Road Mosaic among other local projects), the Eastern Continental Divide Sculpture has a mosaic design with two intertwining streams. These convey the action of flowing water to the East and West, representing the effects of the Eastern Continental Divide. The unique sculpture stands to commemorate the historical significance of the Eastern Continental Divide to the City of Norcross.



### "GREETINGS FROM NORCROSS" MURAL

Atomic Wash, a Norcross-based digital marketing and branding agency, has designed and donated the concept for the proposed mural, "Greetings from Norcross". The 16-foot wide mural is designed in the style of Americana travel postcards, and it will cover the large red brick wall of the building that the agency shares with Paizano's Italian Restaurant, along Wingo Street and facing the railroad tracks. The mural is a colorful vinyl adhesive material installed via heat transfer to the bricks, the installation of which will be completed by local company Digital

Precision and will last several years before needing to be refreshed. The vinyl film itself is generously donated by Arlon. The design celebrates 8 iconic people and places in our city's history, becoming a piece that is both aesthetically interesting and educational for visitors and residents alike.



# NORCROSS IN THE KNOW



## JAZZ IN THE ALLEY

SEPTEMBER 1: ERIC THOMAS

Betty Mauldin Parking Lot  
7:30-9:30 p.m.

On behalf of Sustainable Norcross,  
high top tables are available  
at Jazz in the Alley.



## SEPTEMBER MOVIE MONDAYS

SEPTEMBER 10: A WRINKLE IN TIME

SEPTEMBER 24: AVENGERS INFINITY WAR

Free movie showing at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.  
at the Norcross Community Center. Free popcorn and drinks.



## HISTORIC TROLLEY TOUR

SEPTEMBER 15 • 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

OCTOBER 20 • 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

NOVEMBER 17 • 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Hurry and make your reservation now!  
The tour costs \$5 for a ticket and includes the tour as  
well as a booklet of discounts to participating shops  
and restaurants.

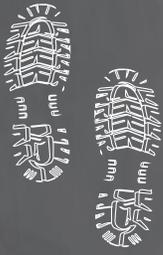
Reserve your seat by  
calling The Welcome Center at 678.421.2048 or 678.421.2049.



## NORCROSS COMMUNITY MARKET SURVEY

As the third season comes to a close, Norcross  
Community Market wants to hear from YOU!  
Complete the online survey and help make your  
local farmers market even better.

[BIT.LY/NORMARKET](https://bit.ly/normarket)



## WEEKEND WALKING GROUP

Thrasher Park, 8 - 9 a.m.

## LIONHEART THEATRE PRESENTS

**The Rainmaker - September 7-23, 2018**

Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.;  
Sundays at 2 p.m.

*A romantic comedy of desperation  
and hope*

By N. Richard Nash;  
Directed by Joanie McElroy

Tickets are \$15 adults and \$12 students/  
seniors/military ID and include complimentary  
coffee and dessert.

There will also be a special The Rainmaker  
Brunch and Show Event held on Sunday,  
September 16, from 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Catered by Norcross' own Chef Nona of  
Sizzling Peach, this delicious brunch is only  
\$35 and includes a ticket to the 2pm matinee  
performance of The Rainmaker.

**Pie in the Sky - September 21-22, 2018**

Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

*A warm and sweet dessert theatre event*

By Lawrence Thelen;  
Directed by Jason Caldwell  
Featuring Nancy Caldwell and Tanya Caldwell

Tickets are \$10 each and include apple pie  
for dessert! Visit [www.lionhearttheatre.org/  
buy-tickets](http://www.lionhearttheatre.org/buy-tickets). (Please note that this show will be  
held at the Norcross Presbyterian Church as a  
special event.)



## SMOKIN' IN THE ALLEY

SEPTEMBER 23  
SKIN ALLEY • 6 P.M.

Enjoy live music and a family-style meal featuring the  
freshest seasonal finds. Raise a glass to the Best BBQ in  
Norcross and dine under the stars on Skin Alley.

BBQ judging at 6 p.m. | Dinner at 7 p.m.  
45 South and VSOP Taproom will have open bars  
Live Music from The Burning Sensations  
Activities for Kids • Buffet Dinner

Tickets: Adults \$38  
Tickets go on sale Saturday, September 1st and May be  
purchased through Deb Harris ([Deb.ndgp@gmail.com](mailto:Deb.ndgp@gmail.com))  
or at VSOP Taproom.

Proceeds go toward furnishing the Discovery Garden Park

BBQ COMPETITION: Test your skills against other  
backyard grill masters as you compete to win the  
prize of "The Best BBQ in Norcross".

## FIRST FRIDAY CONCERTS ARE BACK!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5  
NORCROSS COMMUNITY CENTER • 7 - 9 P.M.



### THE RAINMEN

The Rainmen are a rock n roll combo, specializing  
in sixties and early seventies tunes.

RSVP to reserve your seat! No Meet Up Groups for this event.  
Call 678.421.2048 or 678.421.2049  
Table reservations will be held until 7:15 p.m.

# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TIP

One of the most essential life-saving tools we have in our home is the one that we forget about the most - a smoke detector. Smoke detectors save lives every day by sending alarms to notify us when there is a fire. Although they are extremely helpful, we often forget about our responsibility to manage our smoke detectors to keep us safe in case of an emergency.

Here is a quick reference for residential smoke detectors:

- 1** You should test your smoke alarm once a month by pressing the "test" button.
- 2** Larger homes may need more than one detector. A good rule of thumb is to have one in each sleeping room, outside each sleeping area and on each floor of your home.
- 3** Smoke detectors should be on a ceiling or high wall, and away from the kitchen to reduce false alarms.
- 4** Smoke detectors should be replaced after 10 years.

source: <https://www.nfpa.org/>



# 2018 EVENT CALENDAR

## SEPTEMBER

**9/1** Jazz in the Alley - Eric Thomas,  
Betty Mauldin Park Parking Lot, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

**9/8** British Car Fayre, Downtown  
Norcross, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**9/10** Movie Monday: A Wrinkle in Time,  
Norcross Cultural Arts & Community  
Center, 1:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

**9/15** Atlanta NephCure Walk,  
Thrasher Park

**9/15** Historic Norcross Trolley Tour,  
Boarding at The Crossing Parking Lot,  
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

**9/15** Gateway International Festival,  
Lillian Webb Park, 3 - 7 p.m.

**9/21** Artsome 4 Art Exhibit Opening  
Reception, 6 - 8 p.m.

**9/22** Navigate Recovery 5K, Thrasher Park,  
6 a.m. - Noon

**9/23** Smokin' in the Alley BBQ, Skin Alley,  
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

**9/24** Movie Monday: Avengers Infinity War,  
Norcross Cultural Arts & Community  
Center, 1:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

**9/29** Norcross Neighborhood Clean-Up  
and Recycling Day - Fall 2018, All Day,  
Downtown Norcross

For more event information: [www.aplacetoimagine.com](http://www.aplacetoimagine.com)