



# A PLACE TO IMAGINE

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CITY OF  
NORCROSS

*Easter*

**EGG HUNT**

Get egg-cited because the Easter Bunny is visiting Norcross! He'll be hiding eggs in Rossie Brundage Park for kids of all ages and abilities on Saturday, April 16th. The City of Norcross Easter Egg Hunt will take place at 10:00 a.m. followed by an Egg-stra Special Easter Egg Hunt for children with special needs at 1:00 p.m. Every-bunny is welcome so grab your Easter baskets and come join in the fun.

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## EASTER EGG HUNT

**Saturday, April 16 • 10:00 a.m.**

### Rossie Brundage Park

The Easter Bunny is hopping his way to downtown Norcross for an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16th at 10:00 a.m. As long as there is no peeking, the Easter Bunny will be hiding all of his eggs in Rossie Brundage Park, 350 Autry Street. The Egg Hunt will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. and doesn't last but a few minutes, so we recommend arriving a few minutes early! So bring your Easter baskets and celebrate the renewal of spring in Norcross with a free Easter Egg Hunt that is sure to be fun for all! Children will also have the opportunity to visit with the Easter Bunny where parents are encouraged to take photos to capture the excitement!

## SPECIAL NEEDS EASTER EGG HUNT

**Saturday, April 16 • 1:00 p.m.**

### Rossie Brundage Park

The City of Norcross will also be hosting an Egg-stra Special Easter Egg Hunt for children with special needs and their families on Saturday, April 16th at 1:00 p.m. at Rossie Brundage Park, 350 Autry Street. The Egg Hunt will begin promptly at 1:00 p.m. and doesn't last but a few minutes, so we recommend arriving a few minutes early! Come out and enjoy this free event designed for children with special needs in an environment that is safe and inclusive.

The event will be wheelchair accessible and sensory friendly with special consideration for the visually and hearing impaired. The event will also include scooping nets for children in wheelchairs and a tent with bean bags for sensory-sensitive children. The City of Norcross would like to extend its sincere appreciation to the International Association Bomb Technicians and Investigators and the Atlanta Field Division of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, which will be providing beeping eggs for the blind and visually impaired. The city would also like to thank Spectrum Autism Support Group and the Georgia Interpreting Services Network for the hearing impaired.

Link to RSVP Special Needs Easter Egg Hunt will be live on March 14th , limited spots are available. [bit.ly/3tlayYi](https://bit.ly/3tlayYi)



# COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

## NORCROSS COMMUNITY MARKET



**NORCROSS**  
community market

It's almost farmers market season! Beginning Wednesday May 4th, the Norcross Community Market will reopen! Every Wednesday from 4:00-7:00 p.m., May through August at Thrasher Park, join us for live music, local farmers, artists, foods and children's activities. Blueberries, peaches, melons, tomatoes and everything in between. Grab a beverage from one of the local restaurants, walk and shop with our many vendors.

Power of Produce Children's Tent for elementary aged children encourages kids to interact with our farmers and learn about produce. The Power of Produce, also known as POP, will be at every market from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Kids will receive \$2 Market Money to buy fruit & veggies.

SNAP/EBT is accepted and we will double your benefits on fresh fruits and vegetables!



**Mark your calendars for these upcoming markets:**

**May**  
4, 11, 18, 25

**June**  
1, 8, 15, 22, 29

**July**  
6, 13, 20, 27

**August**  
3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Visit Norcross Community Market Facebook Page for the most recent updates.

# NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP & RECYCLING DAY

**APRIL 9, 2022**



## Recycle & Cleanup Event

Drop-off collections available for Single-stream Recycling, Glass Recycling, Hard-to-Recycle Materials and Bulk Material Disposal. Hazardous material (batteries, paint, large car parts, motor, tires, oil, anti-freeze, concrete, household chemicals and similar items) **WILL NOT BE ALLOWED**. Items must be of reasonable size and environmentally safe to be disposed of properly. **8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Norcross Public Works, 345 Lively Avenue**

## Shredding Event

Shred-it will be on site with their shred truck! Watch on the video display as your materials are shredded securely. Limited to 5 medium boxes or equivalent. **9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (or until truck is full) at Norcross City Hall, 65 Lawrenceville Street**

## Electronics Recycling Event

Recycle old cell phones, computers, keyboards and more! City volunteers will help you unload. **8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Norcross Public Works, 345 Lively Ave**

This event is open to Norcross Residents (proof of residency required). For more information on these events and what materials are allowed, visit [norcrossga.net](http://norcrossga.net), or contact [communitydevelopment@norcrossga.net](mailto:communitydevelopment@norcrossga.net).



*For complete information on these events and what materials are allowed at each event, please visit [aplacetoimage.com](http://aplacetoimage.com) to view informational flyers.*

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# SUSTAINABILITY



## TIP OF THE MONTH

### EARTH DAY

April 22

Earth Day is an opportunity for the world to recognize the progress made in preserving our home's resources, as well as to continue to take action to educate others and learn more ways to live sustainably and protect the planet. Earth Day may be only one day out of the year, but we can celebrate all month and all year long by researching ways to reduce waste, shopping local, recycling, donating gently used items, or participating in a community clean up. Check out the City of Norcross Facebook's series #SustainabilityTipTuesday to learn all the tips and tricks on how to live a more sustainable lifestyle!

## TREE TALK

### Trees Benefit Our Health and Wellbeing

The benefits of trees are many, however one benefit often overlooked is their importance to our mental health and wellbeing. A study done by the Population Wellbeing and Environment Research Lab at the University of Wollongong in Australia found that, "In neighborhoods with a tree canopy of 30 percent or more, adults had 31 percent lower odds of developing psychological distress, and 33 percent lower odds of rating their general health "fair" or "poor" over six years." Another study by the UCLA Center for Health Policy Research found that trees and green space have positive psychological benefits for teenagers. They found, "when the level of "greenness" within 350 meters of a home—a radius of approximately two city blocks— is in the top 25 percentile, a teen living in that home is 36 percent less likely to have serious psychological distress than a teen living in an area with greenness in the bottom 25 percentile."



Now we know trees benefit our psychological wellbeing but what about our physical well being? Hospital patients with a view of trees have been shown to have a faster recovery, need less pain medication, and have fewer complications than those patients that do not have trees in sight. Our leafy friends don't only help the earth, they also serve the body. The community of trees located throughout Norcross work together to create a healthy tree ecosystem and canopy and are a vital part of the health and wellbeing of our city.

Hayne Thompson, RLA | ASLA

# IN THE KNOW

## MOVIE MONDAYS



**April 11**  
The Lorax



**April 25**  
American Underdog

**Norcross Community Center**  
1:30 & 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy a free movie and light refreshments at Norcross Movie Mondays held at the Cultural Arts & Community Center every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month! Movies start times are at 1:30 & 6:30 p.m.

Save the  
**DATE!**

### VIVA MEXICO

May 7 • Thrasher Park

*Details at [aplacetoimagine.com](http://aplacetoimagine.com)*

## THE LIONHEART THEATRE COMPANY

**"A Bad Year for Tomatoes" Runs**  
May 6th to 22nd

Next month, Lionheart is pleased to present the hilarious comedy "A Bad Year for Tomatoes." Evening performances begin at 7:30 pm and Sunday matinees are at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$16 for seniors/students. Visit [lionhearttheatre.org](http://lionhearttheatre.org) for tickets. Dessert is included.

**Registration Now Open: Lionheart's Summer Drama Camp**

Lionheart will present its summer youth drama camp for ages 8-14. Camp Dates: June 6th - 24th. Camps include musical theatre, performance, improv, stunt work, puppetry, and more. To view the full schedule and to register, visit [lionhearttheatre.org](http://lionhearttheatre.org). Scholarships are available.

# QUEEN'S JUBILEE

## April 23

Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, will be celebrating Her Platinum Jubilee this year to mark the 70th anniversary of the accession to the throne from 1952 to 2022. To celebrate this event with our friends from across the pond we are holding our very own celebrations here in Norcross!

### Tea Party

There's no better way to celebrate the Queen than with an afternoon tea! Come join the celebrations on Saturday, April 23rd located at The Rectory. Two sessions are available at 12:00-2:00 p.m. and 3:00-5:00 p.m. Tickets will be available online or in store at Taste of Britain.

Link to purchase Tea Party Tickets will be online, limited spots are available. [tasteofbritain.com](http://tasteofbritain.com)

### Street Party

Downtown Norcross is going international! Immerse yourself in all things British inspired! The Street Party will start at 5:00 p.m. with live bands including sounds from the Beatles tribute band "The Return" and "Atlanta Steel Pan & Island Music." Explore your taste buds and try the limited edition "Jubilee Craft Beer" from Social Fox Brewery or try the classic British cuisine like fish n' chip. The event will also provide fun activities such as a London black cab photo booth, face painters, balloon art and so much more!



## FIRST FRIDAY CONCERT

### Xtreme Party Band • April 1

Join us on April 1st from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Norcross Community Center! Xtreme Party Band is a dynamic multi-genre band consisting of a 6 piece ensemble of male and female vocals, sax, keys, drums, bass and lead guitar. The name says it all, because the party never stops! The group plays everything from Motown to beach, 70s, 80s, 90s, pop, classic rock, R&B, blues and 'the now hits. Catering to every music decade and genre, the band performs hit after hit to keep you on the dance floor.

# BURNING BAN STARTS ON MAY 1

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division imposes a total ban on the outdoor burning of yard debris in Gwinnett County annually from May 1 to September 30.

[bit.ly/3vP5UdL](https://bit.ly/3vP5UdL)



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

\*\*Indoor events are subject to cancellation due to COVID-19 restrictions.\*\*

### April 1

First Friday Concert: Xtreme Party Band, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Norcross Community Center

### April 9

Neighborhood Clean Up & Recycling Day, Various Times & Locations

### April 11

Movie Monday: The Lorax, 1:30 & 6:30 p.m., Norcross Community Center

### April 16

Easter Egg Hunt, 10:00 a.m., Rossie Brundage Park

Special Needs Easter Egg Hunt, 1:00 p.m., Rossie Brundage Park, RSVP

### April 23

Planting for Pollinators Workshop, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Norcross City Hall

Queen's Jubilee Tea Party, 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. & 3:00-5:00 p.m., The Rectory, RSVP

Queen's Jubilee Street Party, 5:00 p.m., Downtown Norcross

### April 25

Movie Monday: American Underdog, 1:30 & 6:30 p.m., Norcross Community Center



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en español!