



News Release

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City of Lafayette to Celebrate 4th of July with Parade, Concert and Fireworks 2022 Parade Theme: Hats Off to America!

LAFAYETTE, INDIANA – June 7, 2022 – The City of Lafayette is pleased to announce the line-up for the annual Stars and Stripes 4th of July concert, parade and fireworks for Monday, July 4 to celebrate Independence Day.

The day will kick-off with the 4th of July parade beginning at 11 am starting at 16th and Alabama Streets and proceeding onto Main Street. It will run to Wallace Avenue by the Frozen Custard and turn onto Park Avenue to conclude in Columbian Park. This year's theme is *Hats Off to America!* The parade line-up will include a hat parade by participants who decorate their hats portraying the American spirit for the holiday. There will be four divisions for prizes: women, men, children and families. We encourage everyone to decorate a hat and march in the parade.



“On July 4th, we want to pay tribute and salute America for all of our freedoms, and honor those who fought for our independence,” states City Clerk Cindy Murray, organizer of this year’s events. “We hope everyone comes out and enjoys the parade with family and friends.”

The City is currently accepting applications for entries in the parade. Businesses, individuals, families, organizations and clubs who would like to participate in the parade with a float or by traveling in the parade should register by visiting

<https://tippecanoeco.seamlessdocs.com/f/registration2022> . **Entries are due by 5 pm,**

Wednesday, June 29! Registration is not required for those who wish to participate in the hat parade. Details will be posted on Lafayette.in.gov/starsandstripes closer to the event.

Later that day, Riehle Plaza will be the site of the annual July 4th Stars and Stripes Concert beginning at 6 pm featuring the Lafayette Citizens Band under the direction of John Conaway, the Freedom Singers under the direction of John Satterfield, Lafayette Jeff Jazz Combo and Alumni Band featuring Bruce Knepper, and the Clave Caribe Latin Music band. Local food trucks will be available along Second and Main Streets before and during the concert starting at 5 pm with refreshments.

At 10 pm, a spectacular firework show will be held over the Wabash River presented by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) and the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) - the ‘Real Journeymen of Lafayette.’

Event sponsors include the City of Lafayette, City of West Lafayette, Tippecanoe County and T-Bird Design Services.

For questions regarding the events on July 4th, please contact Cindy Murray at cmurray@lafayette.in.gov or by calling 765-807-1021.

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