



ROCKWALL CITY NOTES

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Multitude of Art Events Planned for Downtown Rockwall on Founders Day

We know there will be a lot going on at Harry Myers Park for the Annual Founders Day Festival, but did you know there is a partner event happening in conjunction in Downtown Rockwall? There will be a full day of festivities celebrating the arts on the square.

It all starts at 10 a.m. with the big reveal of the highly anticipated Butterfly Art project. The unique public art sculptures, on display until 2 p.m., were primarily painted by Rockwall ISD high school students, and this will be the only time to see them all together before they're taken to their respective spots in the butterfly gardens around Rockwall.



Another can't-miss event will be the living statue performance from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. to commemorate the Discovery Statue that will soon rest on the Historic Courthouse lawn. This larger than life sculpture (expected later this year) honors the pioneers that discovered the rock wall for which our city was named. Audiences will be treated to amazing music in the San Jacinto Plaza from Walk the Line, STING and the Texas Saxophone Quartet. The Downtown Rockwall Association will host a wine stroll later that afternoon, and a trolley will shuttle passengers between Harry Myers Park and Downtown Rockwall anytime from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. to enjoy the events in both locations.



Founders Day Festival Activities

The long awaited Annual Founders Day Festival 2022 happens on Saturday, May 21 at Harry Myers Park. There will be a phenomenal lineup of live music performances during the day, leading up to Chris Colston on the main stage at 4 p.m, Jason Boland at 6 p.m., and headliner Kevin Fowler taking the stage at 8 p.m.

- 10 a.m.-12 noon Urban Renewal
- 1-3 p.m. Walk This Way

Be sure to come hungry, because there will be a variety of food vendors serving up all kinds of fun festival food. Visit PlayRockwall.com for more details.



Happening Around Town

Fridays-Saturdays, May 6-October 29

San Jacinto Plaza Music Series, Historic Downtown Rockwall, 7-9:30 p.m.

Saturdays, May 7-September 24

Rockwall Farmers Market, Historic Downtown Rockwall, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

Thursdays, May 12-July 28

Concert by the Lake Series, The Harbor (2059 Summer Lee), 7:30-9 p.m.

Saturday, May 21

Founders Day Festival, Harry Myers Park, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. (information at Playrockwall.com)

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Butterfly Art Project Reveal, San Jacinto Plaza, Historic Downtown Rockwall, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Friday, May 27

Family Fun Friday, Splash Day (no movie), Harry Myers Park, 6 p.m.

*For more information:
Rockwall.com, PlayRockwall.com*

Out and About in Rockwall



Public Safety Telecom Week

The Rockwall City Council presented a proclamation to the dedicated 911 operators who work hard every day to keep our city safe. Public Safety Telecommunications Week highlights the efforts of the unseen first responders who make split second decisions in high stress situations to save countless lives.



Raising Awareness of Child Abuse

At a recent City Council meeting, Mayor Kevin Fowler presented a proclamation to recognize Child Abuse Awareness Month. Volunteers from Children's Advocacy Center for Rockwall County (CAC), Rockwall CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates), and local law enforcement were among those recognized for their efforts to protect and nurture children in the community.



Revamped Kidzone

Look for big changes to come to the Kidzone at Harry Myers Park. The renovations have officially begun as crews have started the demolition process. Soon new elements will be installed to transform the children's play area. Rockwall Parks and Recreation Department plans a grand opening of the new park later this summer.

Opening Weekend in Downtown Rockwall



There will be a whirlwind of activity in Downtown Rockwall the first weekend of May. The long awaited San Jacinto Plaza Music Series will return on Friday and Saturday May 6-7. The music series features singer songwriter artists and runs from May through October, Friday-Saturday from 7-9:30 p.m.

Another way to welcome summer, the Rockwall Farmers Market opens its new season on Saturday, May 7. The critically acclaimed market hosts more than 40 vendors with a wide variety of offerings. The Market runs from May through September on the square from 8 a.m.-12 noon, except on opening weekend, it'll stay open until 2 p.m. There will also be a sidewalk sale that day to enhance the shopping experience for visitors, and finishing the day with more music that night. For more information, be sure to visit Rockwall.com/mainstreet.

Love Your Landscaping... the Critical Importance of Proper Watering

While many homes have automatic irrigation systems, it's important to know that they can waste an enormous amount of water if they're not set and managed properly. The worst mistake is to set the controller and forget about it.

Most irrigation systems run in the middle of the night and we never see them in action. That's why you should run your system during the daylight hours at least once a month to look for leaks, broken sprinkler heads and water spraying on the pavement instead of on landscaping and grass. One broken head or missing nozzle can drastically increase your water bill, so be sure to make repairs immediately. Here's a good irrigation program to get you started:

- Water from 3-5 a.m.
- Separate watering on two different days throughout the week
- Use 10-20 minute run times
- Test the system each month for leaks

