

Festivals, special events and performances are held frequently in downtown Waynesville, sponsored by the Downtown Waynesville Association and other area organizations. All take place on Main Street unless otherwise stated. DowntownWaynesville.com.

All dates are subject to change. Please check before traveling.

January 18, February 15, March 14 – WINTER ART SMOKIES STYLE

A day of music, art and fun in downtown Waynesville sponsored by The Galleries of Haywood County.

February 1-29- LOVE THE LOCALS

Main Street businesses will offer special incentives and promotions for local patrons the entire month of February. Watch Facebook and downtownwaynesville.com for details.

May 23- ROCKIN BLOCK PARTY

Dancing on Main Street; Live Music from 7-10 pm; Kid's activities; Restaurants open

May- December, 1st Friday, "Art After Dark"

Downtown galleries remain open until 9 p.m. Artist's receptions, live demonstrations, musicians. Other businesses also remain open.

May 2 & 3- AMERICAN LEGION 88TH ANNUAL RAMP FESTIVAL

Sponsored by the American Legion. Located at the American Legion field on Legion Drive.

June 6- QUICK DRAW

Artists competition and auction. Find out more: wncquickdraw.com

June 26, July 10 & 24, and August 7- MOUNTAIN STREET DANCES, Friday nights

Courthouse lawn, 6:30 – 9 p.m. Old-fashioned mountain hoe down, clogging & square dancing, live mountain music, demos, instruction, audience participation.

July 4- STARS & STRIPES CELEBRATION, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Live music and entertainment. Shops & restaurants open all day. Patriotic kid's parade at 11 a.m. (ALL KIDS WELCOME. Show up, sign up at 10 a.m. on the courthouse lawn. Ice cream for participants at the end of the parade, First Baptist Church).

July 16-26- FOLKMOT CELEBRATION See folkmoor.org for details

July 18 FOLKMOT PARADE OF NATIONS, 10 a.m.

Dancers and musicians from around the world parade down Main Street to the historic courthouse for Opening Ceremony.

July 25- 38TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL DAY, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Where the world meets on Main Street- crafts, music, dance, and food.

August 1 – DOWNTOWN DOG WALK

Supporting SARGE'S Adoption Center. Courthouse lawn. Fun starts at 9 a.m.
More information at: sargeandfriends.org

September 19 – ROCKIN BLOCK PARTY

Dancing on Main Street; Live Music from 7-10 pm; Kid’s activities; Restaurants open

September 25- MOUNTAIN STREET DANCE, 6-8 p.m.

Courthouse lawn, 6 to 8 p.m. Old-fashioned mountain hoe down, clogging & square dancing, live mountain music, demos, instruction, audience participation.

October 10- 37th ANNUAL CHURCH STREET ART & CRAFT SHOW

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Main Street. One of the finest one-day juried art shows in the region. Main Street becomes an Art & Craft Marketplace for the day; food & drinks; live music on two stages; clogging teams and other live entertainment, and more. Sponsored by Downtown Waynesville Association and The Town of Waynesville.

October 17 – APPLE HARVEST FESTIVAL

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Crafts, music, apples and more apples. Sponsored by the Haywood County Chamber of Commerce

October 31- TREATS ON THE STREET

5 to 7 p.m. Young children “trick or treating” for Halloween treats along Main Street

December 1-31 “ALL THROUGH THE TOWN”

Seasonal events “all through the town” during the month of December

December 4- WAYNESVILLE CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

Ring in the Christmas season as we light our community Christmas tree. Sip hot cocoa and sing Christmas carols, as town officials light the tree. 6 p.m. The Oak Park Inn & Kandi’s Cakes & Bake Shop.

December 4-7- “HOLLY DAYS”

Fun-filled holiday happenings among downtown businesses throughout the Christmas season, beginning with the Waynesville Christmas Tree lighting on Friday evening and culminating with the Waynesville Christmas Parade the following Monday, Dec. 7.

December 7- ANNUAL WAYNESVILLE CHRISTMAS PARADE, 6 p.m. Main Street.

December 12- ANNUAL “A NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS”

6 to 9 p.m. Shops, galleries and restaurants open late. Live music, live carolers, Bethlehem market place and live nativity, old-fashioned wagon rides, Santa & Mrs. Claus, storytelling, luminary-lined streets and more. Sponsored by Downtown Waynesville Association and The Town of Waynesville.

December 13-24- TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

Magical moments and memories fill the downtown district for 12 days.