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# Cherry Blossom Festival is Blooming

*Brookhaven's signature event  
is back with music, art & more!*

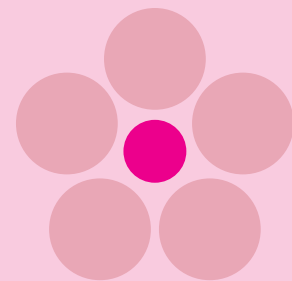


A Music & Arts Extravaganza

[www.BrookCherryFest.org](http://www.BrookCherryFest.org) &  
[@brookcherryfest](https://twitter.com/brookcherryfest)

## Returning this year:

- Artist Market
- Pet World
- Kidz Zone
- Classic Car Show
- Festival 5K (see Page 7)



*Music lineup on Page 4*

*See Page 6 for cutout  
festival map*



# Letter from the Mayor

Welcome to Spring! Brookhaven is in bloom once again with the return of the Cherry Blossom Festival.

Who's ready for Band of Horses? And Hanson? And maybe a rousing singalong of "American Pie" with Don McLean?


Once again, thanks to our partnership with Live Nation and Splash Festivals, we'll be bringing you a great concert in addition to one of the South's premiere artist markets. Don't forget Pet World and Kidz Zone, and of course the delicious food and beverages.

This festival has been one of the highlights of my tenure as your mayor. I have loved bringing the community together to watch this festival grow. In fact, last year it was the second largest music festival in Georgia. Coming together with friends and neighbors is part of what makes Brookhaven a great community.

We'll also be bringing back our Easter Egg events and Food Trucks in April. Stay tuned!

You can always catch up on our latest news by visiting the City's Facebook, Instagram and Twitter pages and by signing up for The Brookhaven Blast weekly email at [www.BrookhavenGA.gov/Communications](http://www.BrookhavenGA.gov/Communications).

Don't hesitate to contact me at [John.Ernst@BrookhavenGA.gov](mailto:John.Ernst@BrookhavenGA.gov) or at 404-637-0710 with any questions or concerns. Thank you for all you do to make Brookhaven better!

*Yours truly,* 



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## Brookhaven City Council Meetings

The Brookhaven City Council generally meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 4:30 and 7 p.m. at 4362 Peachtree Road. Visit [www.BrookhavenGA.gov/Calendar](http://www.BrookhavenGA.gov/Calendar) for schedule changes.

To access meetings and videos, go to the Meetings & Agendas tab near the bottom of the homepage.

## Brookhaven Vision and Mission

### Vision

Brookhaven will be nationally recognized as a beautiful community where multiple generations can live in safety, flourish in business and succeed in a historic, sustainable environment with exceptional education and transportation options.

### Mission

In support of the Brookhaven vision, the City government shall: encourage and maintain a beautiful community, meet public safety needs, develop an environment for business success, promote sustainable projects and activities, identify and preserve historic and neighborhood resources, facilitate educational opportunities, and improve transportation conditions, connectivity, and options while listening to and communicating with the public.





# Around Town



The Mayor and City Council greet the crowd at the 2022 Light Up Brookhaven that included musical performances, a crafts tent, giveaways, a snow mountain, live reindeer and the lighting of the giant tree, menorah and dreidels.



The City of Brookhaven held its annual MLK Day Dinner & Celebration honoring the Lynwood Trailblazers at Lynwood Park in January. Mayor Pro Tem and District 1 Councilwoman Linley Jones (at left) hosted the event, and also presented Parks & Recreation's Cassandra Bryant (pictured far left) with an award recognizing her commitment to the historic Lynwood community. The evening also featured guest speakers, musical performances, giveaways and dinner.



Police Chief Emeritus Gary Yandura was honored with a retirement luncheon by the Brookhaven Chamber of Commerce in January. Pictured are, from left, Councilmen John Funny and John Park, Yandura, and Councilwomen Madeleine Simmons and Linley Jones.



Mayor John Ernst (above left) joined Sandy Springs Mayor Rusty Paul, Dunwoody Mayor Lynn Deutsch, and Atlanta Mayor and keynote speaker Andre Dickens at a January Springs Perimeter Chamber luncheon, which focused on cooperation among cities. Photo by City of Atlanta



# Cherry Blossom Festival

## returns March 25 & 26



The City of Brookhaven announces Band of Horses and HANSON as the concert headliners for the 2023 Brookhaven Cherry Blossom Festival, taking place Saturday and Sunday, March 25-26, at Blackburn Park, 3493 Ashford Dunwoody Road in Brookhaven. Admission is free.

Band of Horses is the Saturday headliner, while HANSON headlines on Sunday. Also taking the stage Saturday are Don McLean, Deep Blue Something, and Eliot Bronson, while The Fray, offering a special acoustic performance, special guest All-4-One, Lissie, and Little Hopes take the stage on Sunday.

“Once again we are kicking off the 2023 festival season in style,” said Brookhaven Mayor John Ernst. “Thanks to our partnership with Live Nation, we continue to host one of the best festivals in the Southeast right here in Brookhaven.”

“Our lineup continues to impress,” said Mayor Pro Tem and District 1 Councilwoman Linley Jones. “I invite the community and our neighbors to come to beautiful Blackburn Park to enjoy the music, the art, the food and the fun!”

In addition to the music, this year’s festival brings back favorites such as the Splash Artist Market, Kidz Zone, Pet World, Classic Car Show, and food trucks. The Cherry Blossom 5K will take place on Saturday, March 18.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 25

### SUNDAY, MARCH 26



**Band of Horses**

## CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL CONCERT LINEUP



**HANSON**

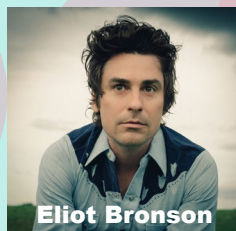
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**Don McLean**



**Deep Blue Something**



**Eliot Bronson**



**The Fray**



**All-4-One**



**Lissie**



**Little Hopes**



# Art from the Heart



Talented and outgoing artisan Dawn Corner loves to describe her paintings as “inspired art from the heart,” and shoppers at this year’s Brookhaven Cherry Blossom Festival certainly will get to observe her heart in the amazing pieces she will showcase at Blackburn Park.

Corner is a self-taught artist, who has been painting and teaching for over 10 years and has perfected her special style with acrylic and collage on canvas, wood and paper. Her paintings are characterized as a deep layering of colors and textures finished with a glossy glaze to draw out the intensity of hues. Her buyers even love to examine her paintings closely to see if they can find any hidden treasures.

One of her favorite subjects is angels. She does not always know the outcome when she gets started with her brush, but she allows her intuition to trust the process. Her angels can be found in the serene environment of yoga studios and meditative centers, as well as galleries and private collections across the country.

## ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

She gravitated toward creating these winged beings after being inspired by her mother, who was in the hospital 10 years ago. The artist decided to paint an angel to lift her mother’s spirits. Her mom continued bringing the painting with her during her extended illness whenever she had another stay in a medical center. Her mother passed away several years ago, and Corner draws comfort knowing that the painting gave her loving parent some joy. Her passion for crafting angels has endured, and her followers and new fans will enjoy seeing her portfolio at the annual event in Brookhaven.

In addition to her angels, Corner creates trees, women, flowers, buildings and even vibrant and expressive animals. She uses a vivid palette to conjure up her “abstract expressive play.” The Marietta artist constantly experiments and changes things up in each painting until the layers and picture come into focus. She offers so many different sizes and shapes for festival-goers to choose from – even presenting ornaments, blocks and original sketches. One of her four adult children, Brian, has autism. This bright young man enjoys helping Corner with her wood blocks by stamping inspirational words and shapes on each piece such as “Love, Hope and Faith.”

She has studied with many notable artists including Robert Burridge, Dr. Gary Bodner and Jennifer Ferris. Corner still takes classes and enjoys getting critiques from her instructors and peers. Her ongoing desire to expand her art knowledge shows Corner’s dedication to her field, as she believes you can never stop learning. The annual Brookhaven Cherry Blossom Festival is fortunate to have this gifted maker exhibit her wares in the whimsical artist market along with other skilled artists and craftspeople.



The Splash Artist Market at the Brookhaven Cherry Blossom festival features 100+ fine art vendors lining Rebecca Williams Way on Saturday & Sunday, March 25 & 26, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

# FESTIVAL MAP



## SHUTTLE LOCATION

MARTA Brookhaven Rail Station  
4047 Peachtree Road NE  
Brookhaven

## ADA PARKING

Coward Family YMCA  
3692 Ashford Dunwoody Rd  
Brookhaven

**NO PARKING AT FESTIVAL**



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**10A.M.-6P.M.**

BLACKBURN TENNIS CENTER  
VIP Hospitality on Court

Artist Market

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STAGE

FIRST AID  
LOST & FOUND  
EMERGENCY  
PERSONNEL



Festival Cuisine

Classic Car Show

Kidz Zone

Classic Car Show

ENTRANCE

ASHFORD DUNWOODY RD.

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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### SATURDAY, MARCH 25

10:00 A.M. START

- Pet World
- Splash Artist Market (10a.m-5p.m.)
- Classic Car Show
- Kidz Zone
- Concert (12-6p.m.)

### SUNDAY, MARCH 26

10:00 A.M. START

- Pet World
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- Kidz Zone
- Concert (12-6p.m.)

Map & schedule subject to change without notice



Benefitting  
**Children's**<sup>SM</sup>  
Healthcare of Atlanta



# CHERRY BLOSSOM 5K

PRESENTED BY



**BLADE THOMPSON**

Injury Law

**SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023**

**BLACKBURN PARK, 3493 ASHFORD DUNWOODY RD**

**REGISTRATION INFO AT [WWW.BROOKCHERRYFEST.ORG](http://WWW.BROOKCHERRYFEST.ORG)**



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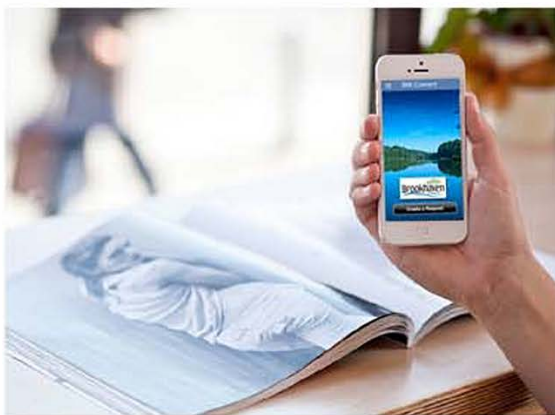




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**Simple Reporting**



**Access Anywhere**

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