

CATCH OF THE YEAR

After missing out on the Kids' Fishing Derby in 2020, more than 200 youth and their families flocked to E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park on May 15 for this year's event.

The biggest winner was also one of the smallest. Three-year-old Nicholas Selak captured a 13-inch beauty from the shores of Webster Lake. Mayor Pro Tem Jenny Willford awarded him a trophy, fishing rod, tackle box and \$100 gift card from Boondocks for his exploits. (All the other age group winners, listed above, received a trophy, fishing rod and tackle box as well.)

Thanks to Colorado Parks and Wildlife for measuring the catches and everyone who came out as we start to re-open and re-launch events in 2021!

KIDS' FISHING DERBY WINNERS

Age group: Name- Length (in)

- 2-3: Michelle Thomas- 11 1/8
- 4-5: Bailey Tipton- 11 1/2
- 6-7: Avalyn Ferrari- 11 1/2
- 8-9: Josiah Chacon- 12 1/8
- 10-11: Frank Casabianca, Alivia Lesperance and Connor Borum
- 12-14: Dominick Astorga- 10 7/8
- Winner: Nicholas Selak- 13



Nicholas Selak and Mayor Pro Tem Jenny Willford



June 2021

Northglenn Connection



IN LEVEL CLEAR: ALL CITY LOCATIONS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No face masks needed outdoors. Face masks are not required inside city facilities, but requested if you have not been vaccinated. Go to Page 5 for more information.

FIREWORKS ILLEGAL, DANGEROUS

Fireworks are a beautiful way to celebrate July 4th – if handled by professionals. For individuals, they can be costly – and dangerous.

63 Number of people who received fines of at least \$1,000 from Northglenn Police for private fireworks use in 2020. And it's not just the person setting them off; whoever owns or lives on the property can be cited, too.

10,000 Number of emergency department-treated injuries caused by fireworks in 2019 in the U.S., according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Though it's impossible to stop all fireworks or catch all offenders, there will again be intentional enforcement to reduce illegal fireworks use this July 4th holiday.

To let your neighbors know that fireworks are not tolerated in the city, stop by City Hall or the Justice Center for a free yard sign (shown right). To report fireworks use, call 303.288.1535.



Fireworks in Westminster

The city will delay its normal July 4th fireworks display until October for the opening of the new recreation center.

HOWEVER –The City of Westminster has let us know they will have a fireworks show at 9:15 p.m. on July 4. Transportation may be provided. Go to www.cityofwestminster.us for more information.

Panel on Hate Crimes

Thurs., June 10, 5:30-7 p.m., Maintenance & Operations Building, 12301 Claude Court, or www.northglenn.org/virtualtownhall

The community is invited to participate in a panel and discussion on hate crimes. This is an opportunity for all to ask questions and discuss concerns.

- Community members will talk about their

experiences.

- Police Chief Jim May will speak on the process of what happens when someone reports a suspected hate crime.
- District Attorney Brian Mason will explain what constitutes a hate crime and discuss hate crime laws in general.
- An FBI officer will offer

a federal perspective on addressing hate crimes.

- A victim advocate will talk about resources available to the public.

The panel will be moderated by city Chief Diversity Officer Tamara Dixon.

For more details, contact Assistant to the City Manager Rupa Venkatesh at rvenkatesh@northglenn.org or 720.376.8069.

New Comp Plan Process

Are you looking to make a difference in Northglenn's future?

All residents are invited to get involved with the update to its comprehensive plan: Looking Up! A Vision for Northglenn's Future.

The plan's engagement website will launch at www.northglenn.org/lookingup in early June. There, you can interact with surveys, maps, events and documents.

That will be followed up with a kick-off telephone town hall at 6 p.m. July 1. To call into the meeting, please register on the website. Information gathered from the site will be discussed, and will help to start guide the update process.

If you would like to be involved in the development of the plan, please take a look at our resident task force application on the website. The city is seeking a diverse group of residents representative of the races and ethnicities, ages, genders, and

What Is a Comprehensive Plan?

It is a long-range document that reflects the community's vision, values, and goals for the future. The plan will include policy, programs, and land use recommendations that will guide the city for years to come.

areas in Northglenn. The task force will meet monthly. Using resident responses, data, and technical and other stakeholder expertise, they will have direct input on the plan. Applications will be due by July 5 at 5 p.m.

Also, don't forget to sign up for our newsletter. You'll stay up to date on all the events and ways to be involved in shaping the comprehensive plan and future of Northglenn. If you have any questions, reach out to the Planning Division at comprehensiveplan@northglenn.org.

Go to www.northglenn.org/lookingup in early June for more details.

IN THIS EDITION

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NO NEED FOR SPEED: Program helps fight speeding on neighborhood streets. Page 5

BUSINESS BACKING: Programs available to assist businesses recovering from pandemic. Page 6

FUN TIMES IN NORTHGLENN: July 4th, PRIDE, concerts, food trucks, a bike ride, senior events and more! Pages 7, 8

CLOSURES

- City Hall, Maintenance & Operations Facility and Municipal Court will be closed on Monday, July 5, in observance of Independence Day.
- The Northglenn Recreation Center and Northglenn Senior Center will be open.
- Trash will be picked up as normal.

Esquibel Praised for Service

► June 4 Deadline to Apply for Ward 4 Council Position

Here is a recap of recent votes, a glance into the most discussed topics and a look ahead for City Council.

Council votes on two types of items: An ordinance (CB) is an enforceable law or regulation that requires two majority votes by council to pass; a resolution (CR), is a decision, opinion, policy or directive and only requires one majority vote to pass.

MAY 3: STUDY SESSION

- **Topics:** Ward 4 Council Vacancy Update, City Staff Re-Entry Plan for City Hall and Maintenance & Operations Facility, Flexible Work Arrangements Pilot Program, 2021 Summer Recreation Programming, Resuming In-Person City Council Meetings

MAY 10: REGULAR MEETING

- **Proclamations:** Food Allergy Awareness Week – May 9-15, 2021; National Economic Development Week – May 9-15, 2021; National Public Works Week – May 16-22, 2021; Historic Preservation Month – May 2021
- **Presentations:** Dedicated Service Award – Lily Cunis, Youth Commission
- **Financial Report:** March 2021 Update
- **Consent Agenda:**
 - **CR-51** Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Reappointment – Paul Weinrauch; **CR-52** Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Reappointment – David Swayze; **CR-53** Second Amendment to MOU for the Civic Center P3 Master Developer – *passed unanimously*
- **Resolutions:**
 - **CR-54** Partners in Energy Electric Vehicle Plan MOU – *passed unanimously*
 - **CR-55** School Zone Improvements – Hillcrest Elementary – *passed unanimously*
 - **CR-56** Thornton Northglenn Eastlake Avenue Relocation IGA – *passed unanimously*
- **Discussion Items:** **Ward 4 Council Member Election Process**; Code Enforcement Level of Service

WARD 4 APPLICATION DEADLINE JUNE 4

Ward 4 residents – if you have not yet applied for the open position on City Council, don't wait! Applications are due by 5 p.m. on Friday, June 4.

At the April 12 council meeting, Council Member Antonio B. Esquibel announced he will be stepping down on June 11. He will be moving out of state to be closer to family.

Council will interview applicants at the June 7 study session, and later in the week if necessary. One Ward 4 resident will be selected by council on June 14 to serve in the position until the upcoming November election.

► *For more information, go to www.northglenn.org/ward4appointment.*

COMMUNITY HONORS ESQUIBEL

Several community members came to bid farewell to Council Member Antonio B. Esquibel.

U.S. Representative Ed Perlmutter presented Esquibel with the Republic Of Vietnam Defense Commemorative Medal. This medal honors all military personnel who served in South Vietnam or in direct support from Thailand, Guam, Okinawa or the waters offshore between 1962 and 1975.

In addition, Superintendent Chris Gdowski and Board President Kathy Plomer from Adams 12 Five Star Schools attended the meeting to express their gratitude for Esquibel's service.

Mayor Meredith Leighty, council members, and several staff recognized Esquibel as well. ► *See column about Esquibel from Mayor Leighty on Page 3.*

Implementation Plan; Homelessness Community Task Force Update

Energy's Colorado Clean Energy Plan – *passed 5-2 (no votes Mullica and Goff)*

MAY 17: STUDY SESSION

- **Topics:** Xcel Update, Croke Reservoir Sub-Committee Recommendations, Strategic Plan - 2021 New Priorities Update

• Ordinances – First Reading:

- **CB-1971** Authorizing Marijuana Delivery – *passed 6-1 (no vote Esquibel)*

• Resolutions:

- **CR-57** Contract for Architect and Engineering Services for Phase 2 of the Civic Center Project – *passed unanimously*
- **CR-59** 2021 Personnel Summary Amendment – *passed unanimously*

- **Discussion Item:** NGCC Phase 1 Implementation May Update

MAY 24: REGULAR MEETING

- **Presentations:** Youth Commission Quarterly Report; **Recognition of Council Member Antonio B. Esquibel**

- **Items Removed From Consent Agenda:**

- **CR-58** Letter of Support for Xcel

MEETINGS & STUDY SESSIONS

City Council is required to have two meetings a month. They also typically have two study sessions monthly to learn about and discuss topics in-depth. Special meetings are scheduled if more time is needed to complete city business.

Time/Date: Council meetings are 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of the month.

Study sessions are 6 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month as needed.

Location: Meetings, study sessions and special meetings will be held virtually until further notice. Go to www.northglenn.org for updates on future meetings and study sessions.

WATCH & LEARN ... VIRTUALLY

Listen to the June meetings, study sessions and special meeting by phone at 720.961.5043. See agenda at www.northglenn.org/webdocs for meeting ID.

Council meetings and study sessions are shown live on Comcast Channel 8 or 881 HD in Northglenn and on www.youtube.com/cityofnorthglenn.

Channel 8 Rebroadcast Schedule:

- **Sunday, Wednesday and Friday:** Study sessions at 1 p.m., meetings at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- **Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday:** Study sessions at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., meetings at 1 p.m.
- **Monday:** Meetings at 7 a.m., study sessions at 1 p.m.

Watch videos at www.youtube.com/cityofnorthglenn or www.northglenn.org/webdocs.

Audio recordings are available the day after meetings at www.northglenn.org/webdocs.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Input from residents makes a difference – the mayor and council members appreciate hearing from you! Here are options to learn more about council action and weigh in:

- Public comment for regular and special meetings may be submitted to jsmall@northglenn.org or 303.450.8757 before the meeting start time. Comments are not taken at study sessions.
- You may also call or email the mayor or council members to share your opinion on city issues. ► **Contact details below.**

COUNCIL SCHEDULE

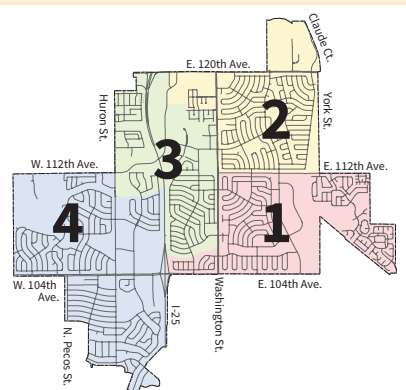
June meetings are virtual.

- **Study Session:** 6 p.m. Mon. June 7 and 21
- **Regular Meetings:** 7 p.m. Mon. June 14 and 28
- The July 5 study session is canceled in observance of Independence Day.

Upcoming Topics (tentative):

- Ward 4 council member vacancy interviews and appointment
- Marijuana delivery
- Pedestrian and roadway safety

CITY WARDS



► **Online:** Go to www.northglenn.org/webdocs for audio, video and documents from council meetings and study sessions.

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Mayor's Memo: A Message from Mayor Meredith Leighty

Time to Remember, Celebrate

On April 12, Ward 4 Council Member Antonio B. Esquibel surprised us all with a heartfelt speech that ended with the announcement that he would be resigning his position on June 11. It caught us all by surprise and brought many to tears, including me. Though we all understand and support his desire to live near his children and grandchildren out of state, he will be missed.

Antonio was elected to serve as a Ward 4 council member in 2015 and 2019. He served as Mayor Pro Tem from 2017 to 2019 and then as mayor from June to December 2019, helping the city continue moving forward during an uncertain time. As a council member, he was passionate about supporting youth, police, veterans, seniors, diversity and more in our community. His focus helped us set policies that make Northglenn stronger and better.

On May 24, 2021, City Council members honored Antonio for his service to our city, and Congressman Ed Perlmutter joined



Antonio B. Esquibel

us to honor his service to our country. See breakout on Page 2.

We will miss Antonio's experience, humility, generosity, and compassion as a member of City Council. I hope you join me in expressing my thanks and best wishes to him. We appreciate all he has done for Northglenn.

Thanks to City Employees

It is with gratitude and appreciation that I would also like to celebrate our city staff! Throughout the past year, our staff has remained dedicated and focused on providing the best services to our residents. They have been flexible, creative and resilient.

We are entering into the summer of 2021 with enthusiasm and optimism only because of the amazing individuals that work for the City of Northglenn. Their teamwork and collaboration have brought us new and creative summer activities and celebrations. Be sure to read through the Connection and stay up to date on our social media sites and our website. We can't wait to see you in Northglenn this summer! #NorthglennProud

Mayor Meredith Leighty

PHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCIES: 911

Animal Control.....	303.450.8886
Animal Impound.....	303.288.3294
Building Permits.....	303.450.8745
City Hall.....	303.451.8326
City Clerk.....	303.450.8756
City Court.....	303.450.8701
City Manager.....	303.450.8709
Economic Development.....	303.450.8743
Fire (non-emerg).....	303.452.9910 (North Metro Fire Rescue)
Graffiti Hotline.....	303.252.3849
Communications.....	303.450.8713
Neighborhood Services (Code Enforcement).....	303.280.7876
Parks & Trails.....	303.280.7821
Planning & Zoning.....	303.450.8739
Police (non-emergency).....	303.288.1535
Police Records.....	303.450.8892
Rec Center.....	303.450.8800
Senior Center.....	303.450.8801
Snow & Ice Removal.....	303.450.4001
Streets.....	303.450.4001
Trash & Recycling.....	303.450.4004
Utility Billing.....	303.450.8770
Volunteering.....	303.450.8904
Water Conservation Hotline.....	303.450.4045
Water/Sewer Problems.....	303.450.8770
Water/Sewer 24-hour Line.....	303.451.1289

Local Grads Earn Scholarships

By Adams 12 Five Star Schools

We are reminded that getting to graduation is a true testament of not only the student's hard work, but that of the families, teachers and community members who helped them gain the knowledge and skills necessary to pursue a future of their choosing. This educational teamwork proved successful with graduates from district high schools earning scholarships. The following are the honorees from the Class of 2021 from Northglenn schools:

2021 Daniels Scholars

Congratulations to Rachel Ann Chagnon and Marco Antonio Renteria, both from Northglenn High School (NHS), who were named Daniels Scholars. They

are selected from Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming for demonstrating exceptional character, leadership and a commitment to their community.

2021 Boettcher Scholar

Margot Swetich (NHS) was selected from more than 1,600 students across the state for her all-around excellence and dedication to serve as a leader in her community.

The Power of One Charity Scholarship

The Power of One Charity awards students \$1,000 scholarships for their first year of college and are eligible for an additional \$1,000 scholarship the second year. Congratulations to the 2021 recipients from Northglenn:

- Briana Cordova, NHS
- Madison Hoffman, Vantage Point High School
- Hmayal Shaw, NHS

Aim for the Stars Scholarship

This is a collaboration with Adams County and Adams 12 Five Star Schools. Each student will receive more than \$20,000 over four years. Congratulations to this year's recipients from NHS:

- Alyssa Baca
- Denisse Andrea Larrasolo Lo
- Briana Cordova
- Eila Cansler
- Spencer Case
- Yahir Coronado Herrera

To see other scholarship recipients from across the district, visit www.adams12.org/2021scholarships.



Chagnon



Renteria



Swetich

NORTHGLENN CONNECTION

The Northglenn Connection is delivered monthly to residents as a reference for city information and to learn about what is happening in the community. This and past editions are also at www.northglenn.org/connection. Contact John Eisel at jeisel@northglenn.org for any questions, comments or concerns.

SOCIAL MEDIA

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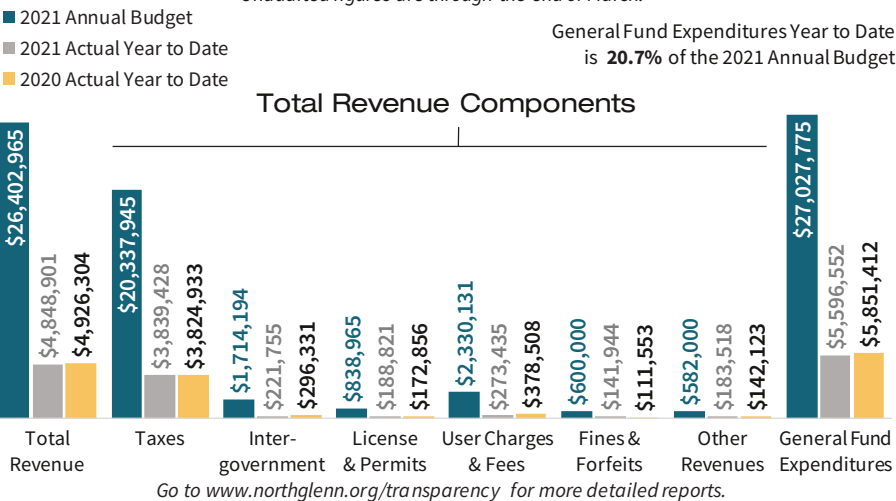


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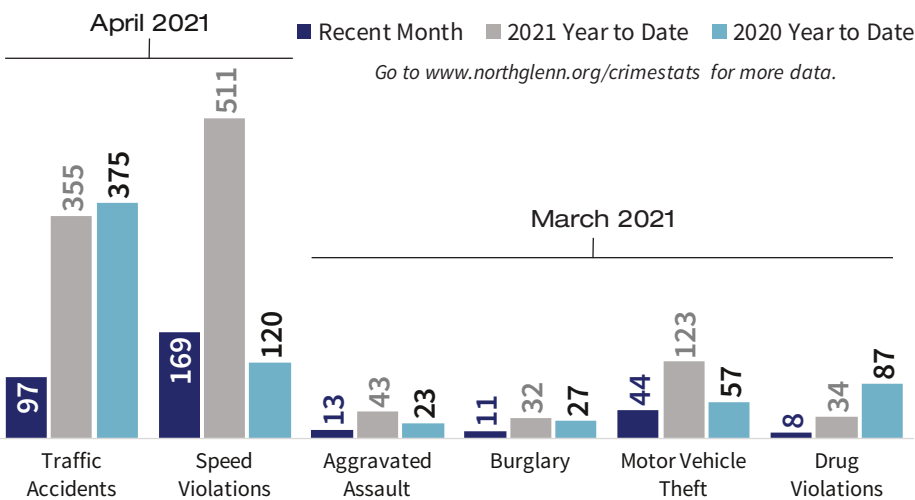


March 2021 General Fund Financial Report

Unaudited figures are through the end of March.



Northglenn Police Statistics





Public Works Director Kent Kisselman
and Mayor Meredith Leighty

HOW PUBLIC WORKS WORKS

Around 150 people turned out to learn all about the Public Works Department on May 18. The city hosted an open house at the Water Treatment Facility as part of National Public Works Week.

Water was a big theme. In addition to tours of the facility, visitors viewed presentations about stormwater, water conservation and how it is reclaimed from the Wastewater Treatment Plant and returned to

the environment.

Staff also brought out some of the big vehicles that people could learn about and even sit in – a flush truck, trash truck and television van. In between, patrons enjoyed a free meal from the Real Deal Food Truck.

Thanks to everyone who turned out, and we look forward to hosting the community again in 2022!



Make Your Yard Water-Wise With Xeriscaping

Courtesy of Resource Central

As we face hotter and drier summers in Colorado, it's more important than ever to replace water-hungry grass with drought-tolerant plants and xeric gardens. Here is a step-by-step guide for xeriscaping in this area:

1. Find The High-Sun, Low-Water Areas in Your Yard

Dry areas that spend the majority of the time in the sun are the best for removing grass and installing xeriscape gardens.

1/2

Average amount of household water used outdoors

2. Learn About Drought-Tolerant Plants That Thrive in Colorado

It's important to know what drought-tolerant plants do well in this area. Northglenn has clay soil, so plant drought-tolerant species that thrive (or at least adapt) to clay. Go to www.northglenn.org/conservation for a link to Resource Central's favorite drought-tolerant plants.

3. Remove The Grass

Either physically removing the grass (faster) or covering it up with clear plastic (a little bit longer, but prevents damage to irrigation systems) will work.

4. Plant

Here are a few tips to make your xeriscape successful for years to come:

- Plant 18 to 24 inches apart, more for shrubs or fast-growing ground cover.
- If you're going native or low-water plants, all you need is a little bit of organic compost or planting mix and nice, regular Colorado dirt! Water thoroughly right after planting.
- Water deeply and infrequently to encourage deep roots and drought-resistant plants.
- Gravel, rocks, mulch or even flagstone all work when filling up the area between the plants.



► **On the Web:** For more information about xeriscaping, go to www.resourcecentral.org/xeriscaping.

► **Time to Conserve:** Northglenn is currently in Stage 1 Drought, so please do your best to reduce your water use!

► **What's in Your Water?:** View the city's Drinking Water Quality Report for the year 2020 at www.northglenn.org/waterreport.

MOST MAGNIFICENT TREE

Do you know of a particularly pretty tree in Northglenn, whether it be pine, spruce, cottonwood or maybe something else? Nominate it as the 2021 Most Magnificent Tree! The owner of the winner will receive \$100 off their water bill and a plaque for their tree. To enter, please email Jenni Murphy at jmurphy@northglenn.org. Include your name, number and the location of the tree. Entries will be accepted through July.

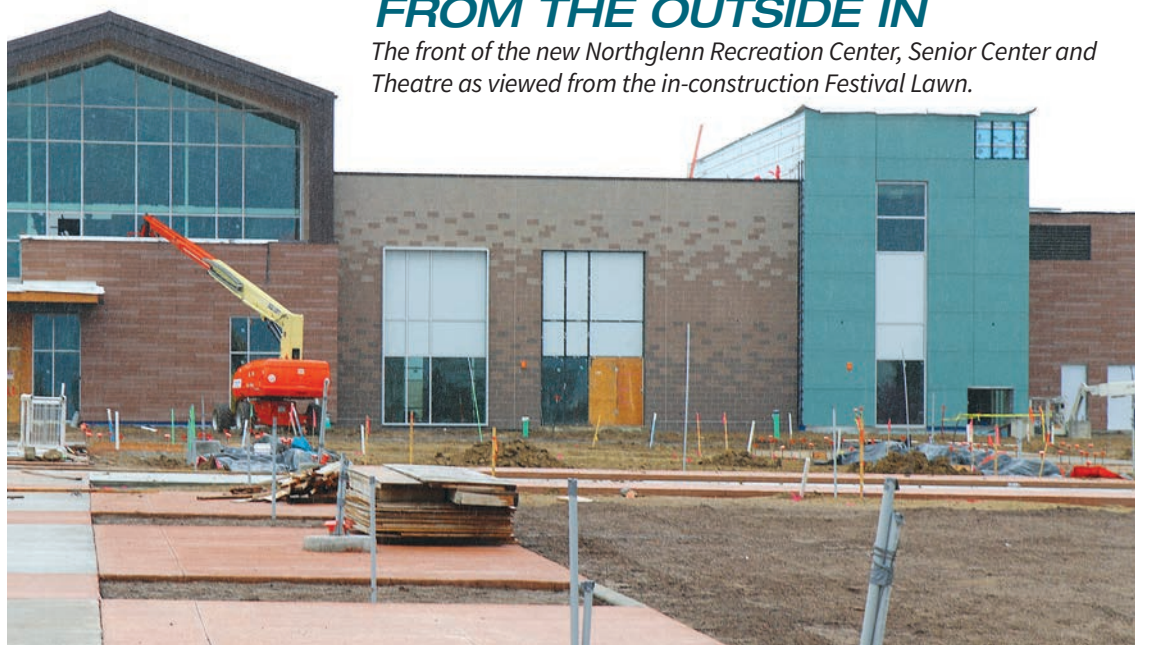
TAKE A RIDE WITH US



The City of Northglenn hosted RTD officials for a tour of the city and the N Line's Northglenn • 112th Station on May 14. Thanks for getting to know our city, and seeing the awesome artwork at the station in person! Clockwise from right are RTD Board Member Vince Buzek, City Manager Heather Geyer, RTD CEO and General Manager Debra Johnson, Economic Development Director Debbie Tuttle and Council Member Julie Duran Mullica.

FROM THE OUTSIDE IN

The front of the new Northglenn Recreation Center, Senior Center and Theatre as viewed from the in-construction Festival Lawn.



Crews are starting to install some of the critical infrastructure and machinery for the new Northglenn Recreation Center, Senior Center and Theatre.

- In the new Parsons Theatre, the rigging is nearing completion, the stage flooring is being laid, the seats are in place and the carpet is being installed.
- The concrete pool deck has been poured and tied into the drainage system.
- Tile is being installed in the locker rooms and around the perimeter of the pool.

- Heating and air conditioning units are ready for start-up.
- Installation has begun on the solar power array.

The new 87,887-square-foot facility, located behind City Hall and just south of the current center, will offer swimming, fitness areas, preschool, arts & culture programming and classes. Estimated completion is late 2021.

For more information, or to see a live camera view of the construction site, go to www.northglenn.org/newrecenter.

► **Save time and money!** Call 303.446.7910 for a FREE Home Energy Squad visit from Xcel Energy.

COVID-19 RESPONSE

City Facilities Open

▶ Face Masks Requested Indoors If Not Vaccinated

With the move to Level Clear on the COVID Dial, fully-vaccinated persons are welcome at any City of Northglenn event or facility without a face mask. If you are not fully-vaccinated, we kindly ask you to wear a mask for the safety of staff and other visitors, but it is not required.

Modified

- **City Hall** is open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.
- The **Maintenance & Operations Building** is open 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. weekdays.
- The **Municipal Court** is open to the public. Through the rest of the year, traffic and code/zoning cases will be held virtually, while trials will be in person. ▶ *Call 303.450.8701 or go to www.northglenn.org/court for details.*
- The **Northglenn Recreation Center** and **Northglenn Senior Center** are both open. Pre-registration for **aquatics** at the rec center is still required at www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn or 303.450.8800. It is NOT required for other drop-in activities.

Not Operating

- **Kiwanis Pool** capacity is limited. You may pre-register in advance or walk-up if room is available. Please go to www.northglenn.org/kiwanis or call 303.457.1578 for details.

The only exceptions are participants and staff in our licensed childcare program, who are still required to wear face masks. Other COVID-19 safety measures are still encouraged. Please wash and sanitize hands often, social distance and stay home if you are sick.

Face masks are not required at any outdoor event or venue.

All programs are operating as normal, unless listed below:

COVID BRIEFS

NOTE: Accurate as of May 27.

Still Need a Vaccine?

All Colorado adults are now eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine.

Youth ages 12 to 17 may be vaccinated with consent from a parent or legal guardian. If a parent or legal guardian cannot be present, a note or phone call is acceptable.

Here are a number of avenues to find a vaccine provider or receive a vaccine. Please note that many locations require an appointment to get the vaccine; no walk-ins accepted:

- Contact your health care provider.
- Northglenn residents 12 years and older can call the Northglenn Senior Center at 303.450.8801 to find a vaccine.
- City Hall, 11701 Community Center Drive, is hosting a clinic on Wed., June 23. Walk-ins accepted, or you can reserve a spot by calling 303.450.8801. (Pfizer, ages 12+)
- Go to www.tchd.org/covidvaccine for details on providers and locations. If no internet access is available and you want to schedule through Tri-County Health Department (TCHD), call 303.220.9200, option 2 then option 1.

- These area locations offer vaccinations with or without appointments; go to www.tchd.org/covidvaccine for links:
 - TCHD office, 1401 W. 122nd Ave. #200 in Westminster, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. (Pfizer)
 - Dick's Sporting Goods Park in Commerce City, Sunday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson)
 - Ball Arena in Denver, weekdays 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson)
- Go to www.vaccinespotter.org to find vaccine openings at a number of state pharmacies.

Testing Sites Open

Go to www.tchd.org/covidtesting for test locations. Please check the website for details before going to the testing site. Times and days vary, and some places require pre-registration.

In Northglenn, 9Health Fair is offering free tests. Through June 9, go to Crossroads Church, 10451 Huron St., on Wednesdays from 7 to 11 a.m. NOTE: You must pre-register by calling 720.419.1087 or going to <https://covidcheckcolorado.org>.

2020 NORTHGLENN POLICE AWARDS

On April 30, the Northglenn Police Department honored many of its officers and staff for their exemplary service in 2020. Their courage, perseverance, and professionalism made for a better department and safer community.

Certificate of Commendation

- Victim Advocate Marlo Dillinger
- Sergeant Jarrod Guzman
- Officer Joshua Moreau
- Officer Austin Prince
- Officer Jeremiah Schoepflin

- Officer Austin Schmid
- Property Evidence Technician Paige Serna
- Officer Daniel Shube
- Officer Skyla Spotkaeff
- Officer Nathaniel Thompson
- Officer Jamaris Williams
- Officer Cameron Woods

Field Training Officers

(For third quarter 2019 through second quarter 2020)

- Officer Jordan Gillette
- Officer Jennifer Grounds
- Officer Joseph Gutierrez
- Officer Timothy Kuenning
- Officer Chad Reffel
- Officer Daniel Shube
- Officer Michael Schranz
- Officer Patrick Toelle

Meritorious Service

- Sgt. Michael DiGiovanni
- Officer Joseph Gutierrez
- Administrative Technician Madeline Norconk
- Officer Michael Pilla
- Officer Jamaris Williams

Life Saving

- Officer Tyler Lynch
- Officer Christopher Rothblatt
- Officer Cameron Woods
- Officer Trevor Woods

Trainer of the Year

- Officer Joseph Gutierrez

Leadership of the Year

- Sgt. Justin Lauck

Non-Sworn Employee of the Year

- Custodian Kevin Clark

Sworn Employee of the Year

- Detective Terrie Hoodak

Chief's Service Award

- Officer Priscilla Duke



Police Chief James May congratulates Detective Terrie Hoodak for being named 2020 Sworn Employee of the Year.



Tired of speeding in your neighborhood? Take charge with our new No Need for Speed program. We paused this program last year due to COVID-19, but it's now up and running. To participate, we need five adults at different addresses in the affected area to sign up. For more information go to www.northglenn.org/nonneedforspeed or call Rupa Venkatesh at rvenkatesh@northglenn.org or 720.376.8069.

NEW DEPUTY CHIEF JOINS CITY

The Northglenn Police Department announced the hiring of Randall Darlin as its new deputy chief. Darlin comes to Northglenn after 27 years with the Chicago Police Department. He was hired after a nationwide search that included interviews with industry professionals and participating in a public community forum. **Welcome, Deputy Chief Darlin!**

NORTHGLENN UNDERGROUND: PROJECTS FOR SEWER SYSTEM

Force Main A Progressing

Work on the Force Main A replacement project is underway on the eastern side of Northglenn. So far, these portions have been completed:

- Race Street from East 120th Avenue going north
- Irma Drive from East

112th Avenue heading north

Crews are also working on the trenchless crossing of 120th Avenue to avoid major traffic issues.

The Force Main A project is a major sewer line replacement that stretches from East 105th Place and Irma Drive to 124th Avenue

and Claude Court. Construction is expected to last until January.

Be sure to watch for door hangers notifying you when work is in the area. There may be minor interruptions to water/sewer services, but extra notifications will go out at least 48 hours in advance.

For more on the Force

Main A project, go to www.northglenn.org/forcemainaproject.

Site Work on Lift Station A

Site work has started on the replacement of Lift Station A off Irma Drive, just south of Happy Tails Dog Park.

Eight out of 10 of the

city's lift stations push wastewater to Lift Station A, which then pumps it towards the Wastewater Treatment Plant in Weld County; Lift Station A is by far the largest.

Excavation of the main pit for the new lift station started May 28. Construction is expected to last until the end of 2021.



Lift Station A Construction Site

City's Support for Local Business Unyielding Through COVID Pandemic



Tuttle

2020 was a year that we will never forget, and I'm sure we're all glad it's over! The stress of the pandemic was incredibly challenging, especially for our business community.

We are proud of the strength, courage and resilience from our 1,000 businesses that endured the turbulent roller coaster of uncertain times.

Our team focused on communicating with city businesses and finding support for them. We helped develop innovative strategies to keep the doors open for businesses, when the doors were literally

\$1.2M

Amount of direct financial assistance given to businesses by the city through 359 individual COVID-19 grants

closed to both employees and customers. Even though we could not meet in person, we met virtually with hundreds of businesses and entrepreneurs to better understand their challenges and provide guidance and encouragement.

We directed our businesses to federal, state, and county grants, loans and other financial assistance programs. Additionally, we

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are proud to say that through the support of City Council, three city grant programs provided \$1.2 million in direct financial assistance to our businesses through 359 individual grants.

Also, the city passed two emergency ordinances to allow for outdoor seating and liquor sales to increase customer capacity and services, and another to limit third-party delivery fees for restaurants. Additionally, the city partnered with Adams County on several grants that led

to 154 grants for Northglenn businesses totaling approximately \$574,000 in financial assistance.

We are so proud of our businesses that have proven their endurance and resolve during these challenging times. We are optimistic for a speedy economic recovery, and our businesses rebounding even stronger than before.

— Debbie Tuttle,
Director of Economic Development

► On the Web: This column came from the city's 2020 Economic Development Year in Review, which is available in its entirety at www.northglenn.org/edupdates.

COVID-19

Three Financial Assistance Programs Open for State Biz

- The **Shuttered Venue Operators Grant (SVOG)** program was established by the Federal Economic Aid to Hard-Hit Small Businesses, Nonprofits, and Venues Act, and amended by the American Rescue Plan Act. The program includes over \$16 billion in grants to shuttered venues.

Eligible applicants may qualify for grants equal to 45% of their gross earned revenue, with the maximum amount available for a single grant award of \$10 million. \$2 billion is reserved for eligible applications with up to 50 full-time employees. For more information or to apply, visit <https://bit.ly/2SiDdV0>

- **Colorado Loans for Increasing Mainstreet Business and Economic Recovery (CLIMBER)** is a fund that will provide up to \$250 million in working capital loans to Colorado small businesses through 2023.

Businesses with five to 99 employees that were financially stable before the pandemic but now need help to survive may apply for working capital loans from \$30K to \$500K.

Below-market interest rates and a one-year deferred payment option make the program a secure recovery option for small businesses. For more information, go to <https://bit.ly/3tDYmG5>.

- The **Colorado Revolving Loan Fund** provides loans that help small to medium-sized Colorado businesses negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

These loans range from \$5K to \$750K and are intended to provide startup and working capital that will help create and retain jobs. The maximum interest rate is 10%, and the expected average interest rate is 4%. For more information, go to <https://bit.ly/3tPOKs9>.

RIBBON-CUTTINGS

NEW ERA JIU JITSU



New Era Jiu Jitsu held its ribbon-cutting on May 22. This one-person martial arts studio leased 3,000 square feet at 524 Malley Drive. For more information, call 303.955.7302 or go to www.nejiujitsu.com.

ALLIE JOHNSON SPEECH THERAPY



Allie Johnson Speech Therapy held its ribbon-cutting May 22. This one-person children's speech therapy office is located in the Office Evolution co-working facility at 11990 Grant St., Suite 550. For more details, call 303.565.5667 or go to www.alliejohnsonspeech.com.

VIDACARE HOME SERVICES



VidaCare Home Services held its ribbon-cutting on May 22. This home health care agency for seniors is located in the Office Evolution co-working facility at 11990 Grant St., Suite 550. For more information, call 720.774.6545 or go to www.vidacareinhome.com.

Have you opened a business in the city in the past three months? The city would be happy to have a ribbon-cutting to welcome you to the community! Please contact Shannon Fields at 303.450.8938 or sfields@northglenn.org.

BUSINESS ANNIVERSARIES: 1ST QUARTER 2021

The city would like to recognize and thank the following companies, which celebrated major milestones of doing business in Northglenn. Congratulations!

30 Years

- Animal Clinic North
- ASAP Alterations
- Gymnastics Unlimited
- Pioneer Landscape Centers

20 Years

- Custom Trimming*
- Direct Dental Plans of America
- Hairtistic*
- Walgreens

15 Years

- Andrew F McKenna Attorney at Law
- Douglas R. Berling, Land Surveyor*
- Empire Fire & Safety
- Grease Monkey
- Moneytree Financial Services
- Northglenn Auto Repair
- Scott Allen Brayshaw*
- The Vitamin Shoppe

10 Years

- bgood Northglenn

- Damage Control*
- Frippery and Alms*
- Mile High Thrift Store
- Smooth Ride Auto Repair
- Tuesday Morning

5 Years

- Apple Liquors
- Centura Health Physicians Group Primary Care
- Colorado Auto, Air and Electric
- First Choice Appliance Repair
- Fit Theorem
- Independent Electrical Contractors Rocky Mountain
- Jay's Electric*
- McCarty and Company Construction*
- Okinawa Sushi
- Rafa's Barber Shop
- Surplus Tool and Supply*
- Trumpet Behavioral Health

* Denotes home-based business



City Manager's Column: A Letter from Heather Geyer *Heather M. Geyer*

Listening With Open Hearts



Geyer

The voices of our community, council and employees have led to the city advancing racial equity and building a more inclusive community.

In 2020, we took our efforts to the next level, beginning with City Council's vision in the 2019-2023 Strategic Plan. As a result, our Diversity, Equity and Inclusivity (DEI) efforts to date include a council-appointed board, the Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board (DISEB); the Community Co-Production Policing (CCPP) Advisory Board; hiring the city's first chief diversity officer; funding for additional DEI training for council and employees; DEI training opportunities for volunteers on task forces, boards and commissions; community listening sessions and more.

I am proud Northglenn always strives to be a respectful and welcoming community. And I believe we have more work to do. Racism and oppression exist in our community. In light of this, we, as

a city government, need to continue to learn what is important to our residents and staff today. We want to do our best to make sure everyone in the community knows their presence, voices, and engagement are valuable and the input helps us shape our services to best serve all of the city.

In the words of Maya Angelou, "Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better." We have several upcoming opportunities to learn, listen and grow:

Hate Crimes Forum

I invite you to participate in our Hate Crimes Forum on June 10 at 5:30 p.m. ▶ See the cover for more information.

Pride Month

As we work to advance racial equity, we also have a focus on marginalized groups such as LGBTQIA+ individuals. The City of Northglenn flew the Pride flag for the first time in 2019 in recognition of Pride month. For many in our community, recognition of Pride is a welcome addition. For others, community events

marking LGBTQIA+ is a new experience. I encourage you to lean in and participate to learn more about who your neighbors and city staff are as a whole.

DISEB is hosting several events starting on June 16 with a virtual panel discussion on gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation. On June 26, join us at E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park from 5 to 9 p.m. for a celebration. This will be the first municipal Pride event in Adams County's history. ▶ See the back page for more details. You can also sign up to receive an "I HAVE Northglenn PRIDE" yard sign at www.northglenn.org/pride.

Listening, learning and growing in understanding of our differences and how they bring us together, not apart, will help us pave the way to address discrimination and create a community united and open to helping individuals thrive.

Community Listening Sessions

DISEB hosted its first listening session April 7. Watch the recording and complete a survey at www.northglenn.org.

org/inclusivity. The feedback will be incorporated into their work plan, which focuses on education/outreach and policy initiatives.

Also, the CCPP Board is planning a listening session in July focusing on policing.

Finally, on Sept. 21 at 7 p.m., DISEB and the Youth Commission will host a youth-centric listening session. Check out future Connections or go to www.northglenn.org as more details become available.

As a resident of Northglenn, when I walk my dog through our neighborhood, one of the things I enjoy most is seeing and experiencing the diversity of our neighborhood. Acknowledging my privilege, I remain committed to continuing our DEI efforts in order to build an even more inclusive community. In the month ahead, I invite you to join me in listening with open hearts and supporting our neighbors and staff.

– City Manager Heather Geyer

Take a Full Moon Bike Ride Past Stonehocker Farmhouse

Thurs., June 24, 5:30 p.m., leaving from/returning to Northglenn Recreation Center, 11801 Community Center Drive

Take a ride alongside history with the city's second Full Moon Bike Ride.

From the rec center, we're headed down to Grange Hall Creek. Then we'll pass by the Stonehocker Farmhouse, the oldest standing structure in the city, before

turning around in Thornton.

Full Moon Bike Rides are a free community event, where cyclists can enjoy a causal five to 12-mile bike ride in our awesome city! All riders are welcome.

To register, call 303.450.8800, drop by the rec center before the ride begins or go to www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn. RECTRAC CODE: 21290001

PUBLIC HEARING

Thoughts On Rec Programming?

Thurs., June 10, 6:30 p.m., City Hall, 11701 Community Center Drive, by phone or virtually

Do you have any opinions or suggestions for recreational programming in the city – either in parks or at the rec center? The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is hosting a public hearing and would love to know what you think. They'll use input to make recommendations to council.

People can attend in person or virtually. Persons fully-vaccinated for COVID-19 are welcome at the meeting without a

ONLINE OR BY PHONE

- Online: www.northglenn.org/parksboardhearing
- Phone: 720.961.5043
- Meeting ID: 148 262 6320

face mask. If you are not fully-vaccinated, please wear a mask, but it is not required.

If you can't make it, submit your opinion at www.northglenn.org/parksboard. For more information, call 303.280.7821.

SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

Activities are for people 55 and over. They take place at the Northglenn Senior Center, 11801 Community Center Drive, unless noted. For items with RecTrac codes, call 303.450.8801 or go to www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn to sign up.

Pups on the Patio

Fri., June 4, 1 p.m., E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park, 11800 Community Center Drive

Brink your pup over to the Dogwood Pavilion for a dog-gone good time. No cost. Please RSVP by June 1. RECTRAC CODE: 20530006

Art on Parade Senior Breakfast

Wed., June 16, 9 a.m., E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park

Take a walking tour of all the new Art on Parade sculptures. Northglenn Arts Director Michael Stricker will provide the background information on the pieces. Before the tour, meet at the Dogwood Pavilion for some breakfast burritos, courtesy of the Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation. No

The Northglenn Senior Center is now open. More virtual and in-person activities are at www.northglenn.org/seniors. ▶ See Page 5 for more details.

cost, but you must RSVP by June 14. RECTRAC CODE: 20531003

SENIOR BOOK CLUB: Celine

Tues., June 22, 1 p.m., Northglenn Senior Center or at www.northglenn.org/seniorbookclub

Celine has made a career out of tracking down missing persons nobody else can find. But when a young woman named Gabriela employs her expertise, what was meant to be Celine's last case becomes a scavenger hunt through her own memories, the secrets there and the surprising redemptions. Cost is free. Call 303.450.8801 or stop by the center to reserve a copy.

Paint With Me!

Thurs., June 24, 1 p.m.

Nestle into leaves of a blossoming bush and paint a hovering hummingbird sipping nectar from a summer flower with live step-by-step instruction from senior center staff. Painting supplies will be provided. Please register by June 17. Cost is \$10. RECTRAC CODE: 20532001

Do you have an old or broken bike just lying around?

Donate it to the Northglenn Bike Program – they'll fix it up and give it away to a family in the community. Call 303.450.8904 or email jmurphy@northglenn.org for details.



Let everyone know you're from Northglenn with an array of clothing and accessories by going to www.northglenn.org/gear. Proceeds benefit the Northglenn Community Foundation. During the month of June get 20% off with code NG20.

HELP MEALS ON WHEELS

Volunteers age 18+ are needed to deliver food to Meals on Wheels participants in Adams County.

Shifts are 10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday to Friday. Ideal commitment is one shift per week. Drivers must have a valid driver's license and insurance and a background check will be performed. Meals on Wheels is a program of the Senior Hub.

Apply today for this rewarding volunteer opportunity! Call 303.426.4408 or visit <https://seniorhub.org/shout>.





Northglenn PRIDE

Event coordinated with DISE Board

June 16 & 26

PRIDE VIRTUAL PANEL
JUNE 16, 6:00 - 7:30 P.M.
COMMUNITY PANEL FOCUSED ON GENDER IDENTITY,
EXPRESSION AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION.
REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

PRIDE NIGHT
JUNE 26, 5:00 - 9:00 P.M.
CELEBRATE PRIDE WITH A DRAG SHOW AND SILENT DISCO.
ENJOY DINNER AT OUR FOOD TRUCKS.

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FOOD TRUCK GRAB 'N' GO



**COMING BACK
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5-8 PM
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EACH NIGHT**

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JUNE 4, 11, 18
AUGUST 12, 19, 26

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NORTHGLENN JULY 4TH CELEBRATIONS

**4 PARKS,
4 CELEBRATIONS,
ALL DAY FUN!**

JULY 4TH CAR SHOW
EB RAINS PARK
8 - 11 AM

FAMILY FUN
FOX RUN NORTH
NOON - 3 PM

**INDEPENDENCE DAY
CELEBRATIONS**
DANAHY PARK & WYCO PARK
4 - 7 PM

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Virtual classes and in-person options at the D.L. Parsons Theatre
Inside the Northglenn Recreation Center | 11801 Community Center Drive, Northglenn

Find us on social media!

NYT Academy

YOUTH DRAMA / DANCE / ART CLASSES & CAMPS



SUMMER CLASSES STARTING SOON!

Register at NorthglennArts.org/Education

YOUTH PERFORMANCES



My Sister,
the Dragon

An NYT Jr. Production
Directed by Kimberly Jongejan

June 25-27

In-Person Tickets
Adult \$10 / Youth, Senior & Military \$8
Live Stream Tickets \$20

Celebration of Inclusion

NYT and NYTA are excited to participate in the city's Pride celebration. We will be performing a collection of short pieces to include poetry, monologues, songs, and more.

June 26 5:00 p.m. FREE!



June 26

FEATURING A DRAG VARIETY SHOW AND SILENT DISCO PLUS OTHER ENTERTAINMENT

Northglenn
PRIDE

WWW.NORTHGLENN.ORG/PRIDE

2021-22

art on parade

northglenn's public art program



View the six new sculptures at E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park then cast your ballot online! The sculpture with the most votes will be permanently installed in Northglenn. Vote for your favorite June-November.

2021 NORTHGLENN ARTS

SUMMER
CONCERT
SERIES

EB RAINS JR MEMORIAL PARK FREE | LIVE MUSIC

JUN 2	Mass Hipsteria
JUN 9	My Blue Sky
JUN 16	Jyemo Club
JUN 23	Mama Magnolia
JUN 30	Paa Kow
JUL 7	The Powell Brothers

for more information, visit northglennarts.org or call 303.450.8846

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