

Spring into Fun in Carrollton

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JAN. 10

Korean Folktales

Josey Ranch Lake Library • 2-3 p.m. • Free –

Celebrate the beauty of Korean culture with traditional folktales and a hands-on craft (*presented by Korean American Youth Artists of Texas, KAYAT*). Tickets will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis at the front desk, 15 minutes before the program starts.



JAN. 17

Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade

Begins on Rainwater Lane • 10 a.m. • Free – Celebrate MLK Jr. Day by watching a memorial parade through the streets of Carrollton (*sponsored by Christ Community Connection, Inc. and co-partnered by the City of Carrollton and Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD*). For the parade route, visit the City's online calendar at cityofcarrollton.com/calendar.

FEB. 1

African American Read-In

Josey Ranch Lake Library • 3:30-4:30 p.m. • Free

Hear excerpts from stories, poems, and songs written by African American authors. Free books will be available to children and teens while supplies last (*presented by Professional Achievers for Community Excellence, PACE*).



TEX Fest

3-7-2026 ★ Free Concerts
3-9 PM ★ HISTORIC DOWNTOWN CARROLLTON

Celebrate Texas Independence Day with live music from Texas artists, local craft beer vendors, and a mouthwatering food village. Get ready for unforgettable photo moments, a live longhorn, and the thrill of riding a mechanical bull.

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FEB. 21

Daddy Daughter Dance

Bent Tree Bible Fellowship Church • 6-9 p.m. – Enjoy a magical evening with your little angel(s) at a dance party with cookies, punch, crafts, games, prizes, and photo opportunities. *For an early-bird discount, preregister before the event (presented by the Carrollton Police Officers' Association).* **Sorry, no moms or sons allowed.**



FEB. 23

Bookmark Contest

Through March 23 • Free – Celebrate National Library Week by designing a bookmark that illustrates why you love libraries, reading, and books. Participants can submit more than one design at either Library location. The winning designs will be reproduced as bookmarks for public distribution.

FEB. 25

State of the City @ Citizens' Evening

Carrollton Senior Center • 6-8:30 p.m. • Free – Hear the State of the City address presented by Mayor Steve Babick. Learn about development projects around the City, community updates, and the services provided by various City departments and non-city agencies. Winners of the Carrollton Volunteer Awards will also be announced.



MARCH 1

Citizens at Last Exhibition

Through March 31 • Josey Ranch Lake Library • Free – Honor Women's History Month by taking a compelling journey through a decades-long fight with panel topics covering the national beginnings of the movement, anti-suffrage sentiments, segregated suffrage, the ratification of the 19th Amendment, and more. This freestanding exhibition features archival photographs, newspaper clippings, cartoons, and texts detailing the struggle for woman suffrage in Texas. *Citizens at Last: The Woman Suffrage Movement in Texas* is presented by Humanities Texas, the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

MARCH 14

\$5 Rabies Vaccinations

Carrollton Animal Services & Adoption Center •

10 a.m.-12 p.m. – Get your pet vaccinated and receive a free City registration with proof of rabies vaccination (for Carrollton residents) while enjoying complimentary hot dogs, pretzels, drinks, and a bounce house. Information on wildlife will also be available.



MARCH 28

Special Needs Spring Bash

Crosby Recreation Center • 11 a.m.-2 p.m. • Free – Enjoy a fun-filled day of activities, including giant games and a free lunch, as the City spotlights its special needs programming. This event is for people of all abilities. *Registration is required.*

APRIL 1

Poetree: Community Poem Display

Through April 30 • Both Library Locations • Free – Celebrate National Poetry Month by writing an original poem on a paper leaf to add to the Library's Poetree displays, or stop by either location to read what others have contributed. *All supplies provided.*



Spring Break Fun!

Free Activities For All Ages • March 16-21

- March 16 **Live Raptors!** with Blackland Prairie Raptor Center
- March 17 **Pete the Cat: I Love My Library** Storytime and Character Visit
- March 18 **Rock Painting Party**
- March 19 **Dinosaurs of Texas**
- March 20 **Movie Matinee**
How to Train Your Dragon (2025), PG
- March 21 **KPop Demon Hunters**
Dance Instruction with KAYAT

For times, locations, and details, visit cityofcarrollton.com/library.



Sounds on the Square

January 9 • February 6
March 6 & 20 • April 10 & 24

Visit Historic Downtown Carrollton on select Fridays for Sounds on the Square, a live music series featuring talented local artists showcasing their diverse and vibrant musical talents.

APRIL 4

Paws on the Square

Historic Downtown Carrollton • 9 a.m.-12 p.m. • Free –

Get updated photos of your pet at the photo op stations, meet and greet with local pet organizations, and shop dog-related items from the vendors. Rabies vaccinations will also be provided for a fee.



APRIL 10

Friends of the Carrollton Public Library Book Sale

April 10 & 11 • Josey Ranch Lake Library • 10 a.m.-

5 p.m. – Purchase donated books, movies, and music for all ages. Cash, checks, and credit cards are accepted. *All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Carrollton Public Library to fund Library programming.*

APRIL 11

Family Campout

R.E. Good Soccer Complex • Campground Opens at 3 p.m. • \$10/Resident & \$13/Non-resident per Camper –

Enjoy activities such as archery, arts and crafts, stargaze, tying knots, and more. The evening includes dinner, a bonfire, and a screening of *Sonic the Hedgehog (2020)*, PG. Breakfast will be provided on Sunday morning. *Campers must provide their own camping gear. Each individual under the age of four must register either online or on-site on event day from 3 p.m. until dark.*



APRIL 18

Earth Day Celebration

Josey Ranch Lake Library • 11 a.m.-3 p.m. • Free –

Explore the Pocket Prairie, participate in crafts and activities, meet local wildlife, learn from local environmental educators, enjoy the Recycle Art Contest & Show, check out the Touch-a-Truck experience with Republic Services, and more.

MAY 4

May the 4th Be With You

Historic Downtown Carrollton • 5-8 p.m. • Free –

Jedi of all ages, enjoy a celebration featuring games, crafts, photo ops, and a movie. Come dressed as your favorite galactic character for a chance to win a prize in the costume contest.

