



This Week in the Fan - October 30

What's Upcoming

- 11/1 - Vacuum leaf collection begins
 - 11/1 - City Planning Commission Meeting
 - 11/2 - General election
 - 11/3 - Bagged leaf collection begins
 - 12/3 & 4 - Fox Elementary School Christmas Tree Sale
 - 12/10 & 11 - Fan Holiday Garden Tour 2021
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Halloween



Tomorrow is Halloween!
Have fun and stay safe.
For the latest on Halloween Safety Tips from the CDC, [click here](#).

FDA's Holiday Garden Tour and You!

After the quiet Holiday celebration last year, the FDA has big plans for 2021 and we need your help.

This year's Holiday House Tour is an outside Garden Tour on two days, Friday, December 10 and Saturday, December 11 from 4pm to 8pm on each day.

Not only is it outside, it will be sure to please adults and children alike. Tickets will be modestly priced at \$15 for adults and \$5 for children. All the money we raise goes to our grants program.

To **wow** in Holiday House Tour style, we need gardens decked out in holiday joy. Please consider lighting up your backyard as a Holiday Garden for a few reasons:

- You'd be part of a tradition and event that makes our community the grand place to live in that it is
- You'd bring happiness and the holiday spirit to many
- You could enjoy your gorgeous backyard all season long

This outside reincarnation of our traditional Fan Holiday House Tour needs you! To learn more, recommend someone's amazing backyard or offer your back gardens please email HHT@fandistrict.org

This year it's Holiday Gardens that will make Santa smile.



Announcing Fox Elementary School's Annual Tree Sale

Save the Date! The annual tree sale will be the first weekend of December (Friday, December 3 & Saturday, December 4).

Fraser Firs from Echo Hill Farm in Floyd, Virginia

- 6 - 7 ft
- 7 - 8 ft
- 8 - 9 ft
- 9 - 10 ft
- 10 - 11 ft - pre-order only

Balsam Firs from Nova Scotia, Canada

- Mini Trees
- 6 - 7 ft
- 7 - 8 ft
- 8 - 9 ft
- 9 - 10 ft
- 10 - 11 ft - pre-order only

Wreaths: 14 inch, 18 inch, & 20 inch

Garland: 30 ft coils, with option for smaller lengths to be cut

The Pre-order has been placed and the order has been confirmed. Please use this [link](#) for processing your payment.

Questions? Contact [Diedre Hughes](#)

Fan Volunteer Opportunities



Park Stewards

Park Stewards help care for all of our beautiful Fan parks.

If you have an interest, please contact parks@fandistrict.org.



The Fan Village

The Fan Village connects volunteers with Fan residents who would like to remain in their Fan homes (age in place) but who require some help around their homes. We are neighbors helping neighbors. If you or a neighbor could use a little help or want to volunteer to help others, please contact to: fanvillage@fandistrict.org.

Museums

Virginia Museum of History & Culture

- During their 18 month construction project, a limited number of galleries remain open. Come in to see the signature exhibition, The Story of Virginia now and be sure to come back to tour double the exhibition space when they fully reopen in Spring 2022.
- Check out the current exhibitions and get your tickets [here](#).

Virginia Fine Arts Museum

Ansel Adams: Composition in Nature

- Behold the drama and splendor of the American landscape as seen through the lens of photographer Ansel Adams. More than 70 photographs spanning over five decades will present the breathtaking vistas, beguiling details, and inimitable style that define this most beloved and influential photographer. Considering Adams as artist, environmentalist, and musician, the exhibition will include iconic images, rarely seen early photographs, and musical recordings that will take you behind the camera.
- [Get Tickets](#)

[Full Calendar of Events](#)

Science Museum of Virginia

Hot Wheels Race to Win

- Speed, power, performance ... buckle up and race with the most famous toy vehicles on the planet—Hot Wheels®! Experience the six-lane downhill speed track, booster power track, adjustable angles track, and timing track as you dig into the science behind racing!
- [Click here to learn more.](#)

Tyrannosaurs: Meet the Family

- [Click here](#) to reserve your tickets to the Tyrannosaurs: Meet the Family. First select the date and time you'd like to come to the Museum. Then add a ticket to Tyrannosaurs: Meet the Family for an additional \$5 and pick your entry time.
- [Click here](#) to learn more about the exhibition.
- Pro tip: Museum members can see this exhibition for free. [Click here](#) to learn more about how to join.

Check out the offerings at [the Dome](#).

The Branch Museum

Self-Guided Tours

- Monday – Friday, 10 AM to 5 PM.
- Self-guided tours are FREE at this time.

Guided Tours

- To schedule a tour of The Branch House, please contact education@branchmuseum.org. Tours are limited to groups of five.
- Advance payment is required.
- **Tour Fee:** \$5 for members; \$10 for non-members ([become a member](#))

[Register for tickets.](#)

Children's Museum of Richmond

- Visit any Children's Museum location today to enjoy the unique exhibits and new experiences, always designed to promote learning through play!
- [Reserve Tickets!](#)



Check out the latest at the Byrd

Concessions are back! Now with wine & beer.

Check the [calendar](#).



★ VIRGINIA ★
DEPARTMENT *of* ELECTIONS

General Election is November 2

Early voting is now available.

Register to vote, update your current Virginia voter registration, apply to vote absentee by mail, or view your polling place, election district, absentee ballot status, and voting history.

- [Register to Vote](#)
- [Check registration status](#)
- [Find your polling place](#)
- [Apply to Vote Absentee by Mail](#)



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CITY OF RICHMOND

City Planning Commission Meeting - Nov. 1 @ 1:30

The Planning Commission agenda for the Monday, November 1, 2021 regular meeting is now available on the City's legislative website.

You can access the agenda [here](#) and on the City's legislative website: <https://richmondva.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

PLEASE NOTE: This meeting will be held through electronic communication means pursuant to and in compliance with Ordinance No. 2020-093, adopted April 9, 2020, as amended. This meeting will be open to participation through electronic communication means by the public and closed to in-person participation by the public. Further instructions for participating in the meeting are included in the agenda.

RVAgreen 2050

[RVAgreen 2050](#) is the City of Richmond's equity-centered climate action and resilience planning initiative to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 45% by 2030, achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, and help the community adapt to Richmond's climate impacts of extreme heat, precipitation, and flooding.

Equity in Action

Spearheaded by the state's Health Equity Leadership Taskforce, the [Equity-in-Action](#) and [Equity-at-a-Glance](#) dashboards aim to make key health equity data more accessible to Virginians and enhance COVID-19 response and recovery efforts.

The RVAgreen 2050 [Climate Equity Index](#) is another tool that can help advance Richmond's Equity Agenda by providing data to track health related disparities across the city and facilitate the equitable distribution of resources and services.

Check out the [website](#) for complete information.

Richmond 300: A Guide for Growth

In 2020, the Richmond City Council, City Planning Commission, and Richmond 300 Advisory Council unanimously adopted [Richmond 300: A Guide for Growth](#) as the official master plan for the City of Richmond. The master plan and maps can be found at [here](#).

[Read the Final Richmond 300 Document](#)

[Council passed the Greater Scott's Addition rezoning AND the Pulse Corridor rezoning](#), unlocking denser, taller development back by the Diamond and along Broad Street.

Richmond City Police

Fan Safety Information

Important information to keep us informed and safe in our community:

- The [details and command](#) of the Richmond Police Department's 3rd Precinct
- [Crime Incident information](#). Be advised that you have to 'agree' to terms.

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Richmond Public Schools

Reading Buddies and Mentors Needed

- RPS is seeking volunteers to serve as Reading Buddies and Mentors starting in the fall to support students in building a culture of reading and literacy.
- Opportunities exist for anyone and everyone, whether you want to make a two-year commitment to working with one student or would like to volunteer for a single day to read to a class - or anywhere in-between.
- To get started, just complete our [Volunteer Application](#) and select 'Reading Buddy' in the options list.

RPS Reopening Dashboard

- [Click here to download](#) the latest update of the RPS Reopening Dashboard.

Support RPS

- There are many ways to support RPS and #ServeWithLove! Please consider [volunteering](#), [donating](#), or [partnering](#) with us, and for new and existing partners, don't forget to [add your organization](#) to our new [searchable partnership database](#)!

Virginia Commonwealth University



In celebration of Global Entrepreneurship Week and VCU Homecoming Week, the VCU da Vinci Center has planned multiple events to introduce an exciting new retail space to the community. Shift Retail Lab at VCU will support founders with retail space, office space, and serve as a front door to the robust entrepreneurial ecosystem in Richmond.

Shift Retail Lab at VCU is a multifunctional retail space where past and present VCU students can showcase their work to gain insights and test their products, services, and ideas with real world customers. Shift aims to excite and empower innovative ideas and showcase the diverse talent on and off campus. The 2700 sq ft facility is conveniently located across the street from the VCU Siegel Center.

Construction of Shift Retail Lab is made possible thanks to a partnership with Mark Hourigan and Hourigan Group. Branding created by students from VCU Brandcenter.

Shift Retail Lab
1235 West Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23220

Click [here](#) to find out more.

[VCU Covid Dashboard](#)

VCU Disturbance?

- The VCU police jurisdiction is bounded to the west by Lombardy St. To report anything west of Lombardy, contact the Richmond City Police.

VCU Libraries Community Video Topics on Demand

- Check out the complete listing of Video Topics at:
<https://apps.library.vcu.edu/dblist/category/150>



2021 - 2022 Leaf Collection Program starts Oct. 4

Residents have two collection options for bagged leaves:

- Put out up to 10 bags on your regular trash pickup day
- Use the Sector Collection system, which coincides with trash collection days, but allows for an unlimited number of bags and an extended collection period. Biodegradable bags are preferred.

The Fan is in Sector 1, Wednesday trash collection. All bagged leaves will be picked up between November 3 and November 17

Vacuum collection begins on November 1. There is a \$30 fee per request for this service.

Residents must remove sticks, stones or other objects that may damage equipment and rake leaves to the curb or property line, but not into the street or gutters. The leaves must be ready for collection when the request is made. The service will take place within 15 days of the request.

Please note, vacuum service may be delayed during inclement weather.

Requests and payments can be made at www.RVA311.com or by calling 3-1-1 or by mailing a check/money order to: City Hall, DPW Vacuum Service; 900 East Broad Street, Room 704; Richmond, VA 23219

From the Richmond & Henrico Health Districts

Due to the upsurge in cases in the area the Richmond and Henrico Health districts recommend wearing a mask indoors regardless of vaccination status.

Click here for the [CDC COVID Data Tracker](#).

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