

The N.C. Department of Transportation is again bringing together art and aviation, as the state hosts the 2021 North Carolina Aviation Art Contest. This year's theme is 'A Friendlier World with Air Sports.' Hot air balloons, stunt pilots, airshows and so much more bring people together and creates friendships that connect people from all over the world and of all ages. Students are invited to grab their art supplies and create artwork that captures the friendlier world that comes from people meeting and sharing their love of sport aviation.

All students who live in or attend school in North Carolina and were born between Jan. 1, 2003 and Dec. 31, 2014 are encouraged to participate by submitting their own artwork.

Prizes for the top three works will be awarded to the artist and the artist's school in three age groups: junior (ages 6-9), intermediate (10-13), and senior (13-17). Judges will determine winners in each category based on creativity, artistic skill, and adherence to the theme.

The top three entries in each age group will be forwarded to Washington, D.C., to be judged in the National Aviation Art Contest. The national winners' artwork will go on to the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale's headquarters in Switzerland for international judging.

As added incentive, the NC Museum of Art will again be exhibiting works from the winning students.

Last year, 2,420 North Carolina students submitted artwork. Two of last year's state winners also claimed top prizes at the national competition.

Submissions must be postmarked no later than Jan. 19. Artwork and a certificate of authenticity should be mailed to: NCDOT Aviation Art Contest, NC Division of Aviation; 1560 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1560.

More information about the 2020 North Carolina Aviation Art Contest can be found on the Division of Aviation's website, www.ncdot.gov. The contest is paid for by the North Carolina Airports Association and its members.

* All events are subject to change because of the COVID-19 situation. You may want to seek confirmation of events.

Church News

ONGOING

Service Times

Wadesboro Church of God. Sunday School 10am, morning worship 11am, Intercessory prayer 5:45pm, evening service 6pm

Virtual Services

At Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Sundays 11-11:30am with Zoom: www.zoom.com or use Zoom app, click "join a meeting" and enter Meeting ID: 385 789 5966 Password: 699988. Or join via Zoom audio: 646-876-9923, same Meeting ID & Password. Questions & info 704-690-7577

Events

JANUARY 5

Board of Commissioners Meet

6pm for the regular monthly meeting. This meeting will be live-streamed from the Boardroom. Citizens are restricted from attending this meeting to reduce the spread of COVID-19, but are strongly encouraged to view the meeting online. Visit youtube.com and search for Anson Commissioners. Citizens may participate with questions and/or concerns by sending an email to questions@co.anson.nc.us

JANUARY 6

Free Groceries

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The North Carolina Museum of History Presents Civil Rights and North Carolina

How did World War II launch a social movement on the US home front? How did the actions of four young college students inspire an activist network dedicated to education, integration, and black enfranchisement? How does the work of the Civil Rights movement continue today in the call Black Lives Matter? Find out as this interactive virtual tour examines the history and legacy of the Civil Rights movement in North Carolina.

The presenter is Percia Swift, Assistant Group Programs Coordinator at the North Carolina Museum of History. This program is for groups, grades 6-12 and adults.

This free virtual tour will be offered during February, March, April and May via Zoom or Demio. To book a tour or inquire about details, contact 919-814-7044 after Jan. 15.

Covid-19 Vaccinations: Your best shot at stopping COVID-19.

YOU HAVE A SPOT. TAKE YOUR SHOT.

You have a spot, take your shot. A tested, safe and effective vaccine will be available to all who want it, but supplies will be limited at first. To save lives and slow the spread of COVID-19, independent state and federal public health advisory committees recommend first protecting health care workers caring for patients with COVID-19, people who are at the highest risk of being hospitalized or dying, and those at high risk of exposure to COVID-19. Keep practicing the 3 W's—wear a mask, wait six feet apart, wash your hands—until everyone has a chance to get vaccinated.

<p>1a</p> <p>Health care workers fighting COVID-19 & Long-Term Care staff and residents.</p>	<p>1b</p> <p>Adults 75 years or older and frontline essential workers.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Adults at high risk for exposure and at increased risk of severe illness.</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Students</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Everyone who wants a safe and effective COVID-19 vaccination.</p>
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- Health care workers caring for and working directly with patients with COVID-19, including staff responsible for cleaning and maintenance in those areas
- Health care workers administering vaccine
- Long-term care staff and residents—people in skilled nursing facilities and in adult, family and group homes

There is not enough vaccine for everyone in this phase to be vaccinated at the same time. Vaccinations will be available to groups in the following order:

- Group 1:** Anyone 75 years or older, regardless of health status or living situation
- Group 2:** Health care workers and frontline essential workers 50 years or older*
- Group 3:** Health care workers and frontline essential workers of any age

* The CDC defines frontline essential workers as first responders (e.g., firefighters and police officers), corrections officers, food and agricultural workers, U.S. Postal Service workers, manufacturing workers, grocery store workers, public transit workers, and those who work in the education sector (teachers and support staff members) as well as child care workers

Vaccinations will happen by group in the following order:

- Group 1:** Anyone 65-74 years old, regardless of health status or living situation
- Group 2:** Anyone 16-64 years old with high-risk medical conditions that increase risk of severe disease from COVID-19 such as cancer, COPD, serious heart conditions, sickle cell disease, Type 2 diabetes, among others, regardless of living situation
- Group 3:** Anyone who is incarcerated or living in other close group living settings who is not already vaccinated due to age, medical condition or job function
- Group 4:** Essential workers not yet vaccinated*

* The CDC defines these as workers in transportation and logistics, water and wastewater, food service, shelter and housing (e.g., construction), finance (e.g., bank tellers), information technology and communications, energy, legal, media, and public safety (e.g., engineers), and public health workers

- College and university students
- K-12 students age 16 and over. Younger children will only be vaccinated when the vaccine is approved for them

For more information: YourSpotYourShot.nc.gov