



# Blossom KITE FESTIVAL

Saturday, March 26, 2022  
10 AM - 4:30 PM

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## COMPETITION & DEMONSTRATION FIELD

*Sponsored by Chase*

Marvel at the variety of styles, shapes, colors, and sizes of kites during competitions and demonstrations. The **Kite Ballets** showcase master kite fliers synchronizing the movement of their kites with music and each other. Check out performances from members of the **Wings Over Washington Kite Club** and the kite performance team, **180 GO!**, who fly their quad-line stunt kites in dynamic formations and perform aerial maneuvers choreographed to music. Multi-line kite fliers show their skills in the **Hot Tricks Showdown** where they engage in a series of one-on-one competitions and maneuver their sport kites in amazing flight patterns during 30 seconds of music. Spectators are encouraged to show enthusiasm and the winners are selected by audience applause. In the **Rokkaku Battle**, teams fly hexagonal fighter kites commonly flown in Japan as they try to ground opposing kites.

## Schedule

National Anthem & Patriotic Kite Fly.....	10 AM
Welcome Remarks & Kick-Off Parade.....	10:15 AM
Kite Ballets & Demos.....	10:30 - 11 AM
Adult Kitemakers' Competition .....	11 AM - 12 Noon
Featured Fliers Demonstration. ....	12 Noon - 12:30 PM
Show Kite Demonstrations.....	12:30 - 1:30 PM
Hot Tricks Showdown.....	1:30 - 2:30 PM
Rokkaku Battle .....	2:30 - 3:30 PM
Featured Fliers Demonstration .....	3:30 - 4 PM
Kite Arch & Awards.....	4 - 4:30 PM

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Adult Kitemakers Competition Registration ..... 10 - 11 AM  
Youth Kitemakers Competition Registration .. 10:30 - 11:30 AM

To fly a kite in the Adult Kitemakers Competition, Hot Tricks Showdown, or Rokkaku Battle, competitors must register either online in advance or at the Registration Tent on the day of the event. Registration is free of charge.

To fly a kite in the Youth Kitemakers Competition, youth competitors must register at the table located next to the Family Field Stage on the day of the event.

Registration for all other competitions will remain open until spaces are filled or the competition begins.



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## FAMILY FIELD

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Devoted entirely to youth and families, these competitions and activities allow budding kite enthusiasts to showcase their skills and learn some new ones. Families in the Bol Races run their bols (small inflated parachutes) against several other competitors to see who will make it to the finish line first!

## Schedule

Practice Fly for Youth Kitemakers ..... 10:30 - 11:30 AM  
Youth Kitemakers Competition.....11:30 AM - 12:30 PM  
Youth Kitemakers Awards.....12:30 - 1 PM  
180 GO! Kite Team Performance ..... 1:15 - 1:45 PM  
Bol Races..... 2 - 4:30 PM

## KITE CLUB DISPLAY AREA

Master kite fliers and kitemakers from clubs will show off their prized kites throughout the day. Feel free to approach the perimeter of the area to ask questions, but leave the interior of the roped field for the pros!

## PUBLIC FIELD

The west side of the Washington Monument grounds will serve as the public field. This is the place to go if you want to fly a kite and haven't entered a competition. All are welcome! No registration required. DRONES PROHIBITED.

## LOST PERSON

To be reunited with a lost person in your party, please visit the Festival Operations and Reunification Tent located on the North East side of the Competition and Demonstration field.

## FIRST AID

First Aid is signified with a red flag on the top of a white tent.

## FAMILY COMFORT

Need a private space to nurse or soothe your baby or young children? Visit the Family Comfort tent located next to the First Aid Tent.

THERE'S MORE TO REDISCOVER THIS SPRING.  
Visit [NationalCherryBlossomFestival.org/  
RediscoverSpring](http://NationalCherryBlossomFestival.org/RediscoverSpring) or scan the QR Code to  
see all the Festival has to offer through April 16!



## ACTIVITY TENTS & MORE

- **Kite Making sponsored by LaCroix Sparking Water** – Children make and decorate a kite to fly (while supplies last) in the large white tents located east of the Family Field.
- **Roaming Photographers sponsored by Chase** – Make sure to find a roaming photographer to take your photo enjoying the festivities, and then send it to yourself as a keepsake.

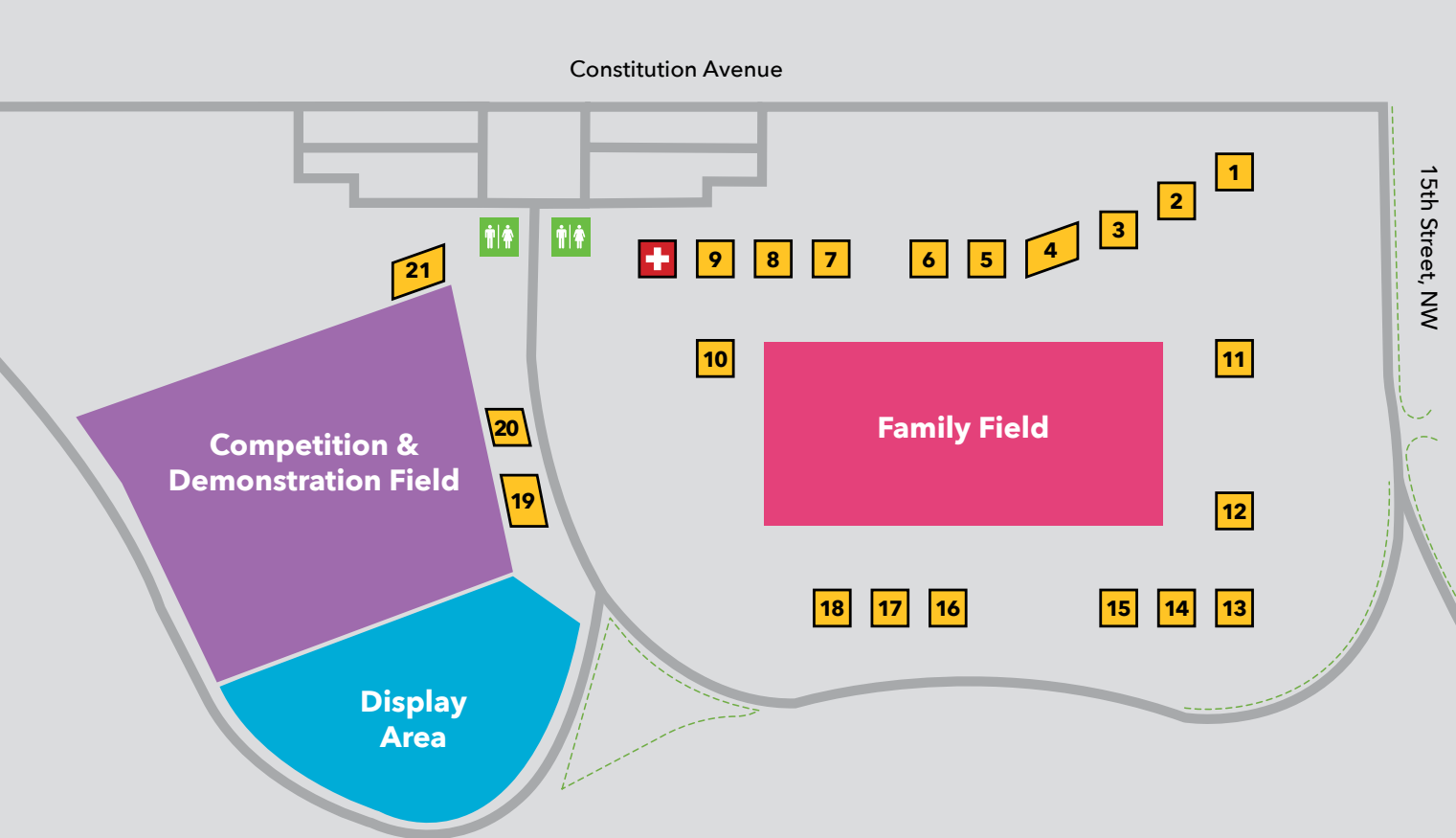
## North of Family Field

- **Information Tent sponsored by Washington Parent** – Get directions and your questions answered by friendly volunteers.
- **Kite Sales** – Buy your very own 2022 Blossom Kite Festival kite featuring 2022 Official Festival Artwork by Lea Craigie-Marshall.
- **John Oxenham Memorial Kite Hospital** – Visit the Kite Doctor to repair a damaged or broken kite.
- **Bubble Artist** – Enjoy a spectacular display of massive bubbles, bubble art, and bubble tricks.
- **Springtime with the Embassy of Japan** – Join the Japan Information and Culture Center for fun springtime activities including sakura kirigami and a paper souvenir using a commemorative Cherry Blossom Festival stamp.
- **Petals, Planes, & Parachutes** – National Children's Museum invites children of all ages to explore, create, and experiment with the fundamentals of flight.
- **Parachute Games** – Exercise, play cooperative non-competitive games, and build teamwork under bright colored parachutes led by the Festival's Goodwill Ambassadors.

- **Kite Tales by Jumpstart at GW** – Take a break from flying by reading books about kites and explore a variety of educational and creative activities focused on wind, birds, and planes.
- **Music on the Family Stage** – Enjoy afternoon music from local band, Guava Jelly, from 2-4:30 PM.

## South of Family Field

- **Pet Comfort Station sponsored by Better Cities for Pets™ a Mars Petcare program** – Visit and learn more about responsible dog ownership and grab some of the essentials for your dog while they're on the go!
- **Large Yard Games sponsored by BIG 100** – Play Giant Jenga and Bear Pong with Washington's Classic Rock Radio Station.
- **Metro Transit Police** – Learn safety tips from the MTPD Youth Services Unit which is part of the Community Service Bureau that looks to bridge the gap in the DMV area between communities and policing.
- **Washington Mystics** – Enjoy fun games and don't miss out on an appearance by official mascot, Pax the Panda.
- **Washington Wizards** – Play pop-a-shot, corn hole, and don't miss out on an appearance by official mascot, G-Wiz.
- **Soccer & Blossoms** – Come say hello and have your photo taken with D.C. United mascot, Talon, or show off your soccer ball juggling skills!
- **Costume Characters** – Don't miss out on meet and greets throughout the day with DC's very own team mascots:
  - G-Wiz (Washington Wizards)
  - Pax the Panda (Washington Mystics)
  - Talon (D.C. United)
  - Racing Presidents (Washington Nationals)



## FESTIVAL TENTS AND ACTIVITIES

1. Information
2. Kite Sales
3. Kite Doctor
4. Bubble Artist
5. Springtime with the Embassy of Japan
6. Petals, Planes, & Parachutes with National Children's Museum
7. Parachute Games
8. Kite Tales by Jumpstart at GW
9. Family Comfort
10. Family Stage sponsored by Otsuka America Pharmaceutical, Inc., (OAPI)
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15. Metro Transit Police
16. Washington Mystics
17. Washington Wizards
18. D.C. United
19. Competition Registration
20. Festival Announcements
21. Operations & Reunification

## LEGEND



First Aid



Restrooms

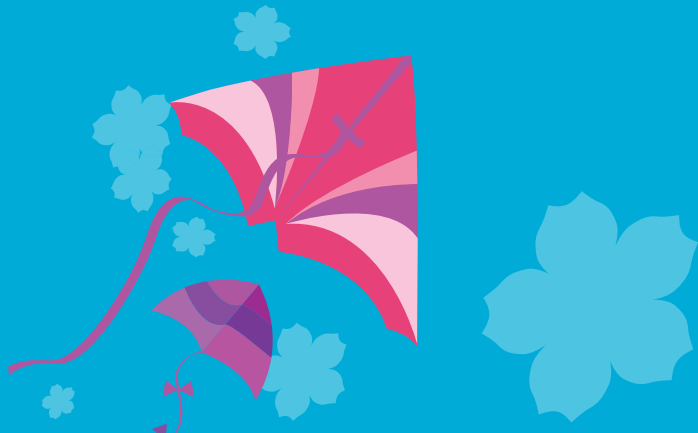
## GREEN TEAM

Please be respectful of the National Mall and help our dedicated National Park Service Green Team volunteers and DowntownDC BID's SAMs keep the grounds clean and beautiful. Please properly dispose of your trash and make use of recycling.

## ABOUT BLOSSOM KITE FESTIVAL

The Blossom Kite Festival is produced by the National Cherry Blossom Festival, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, with the assistance of a Kite Advisory Committee consisting of Jon Burkhardt, Jim Cosca, Val Deale, Paul Dugard, Chris Schultz, Mike Mosman, and Will Smoot.

Special thank you to members of the Wings Over Washington Kite Club and all of the amazing featured fliers from across the country for their performances.



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