



2023 VETERANS DAY PARADE

Saluting TCU Warriors

Mayor Honors Veterans

Fort Worth Mayor Mattie Parker proclaimed Nov. 11, 2023 “Honor All Veterans Day” during a City Council meeting last week. The mayor will join others at Panther Island on Saturday morning to help kick off this year’s celebration.

The 395th Army Band – The Army Band of the Southwest – from Mustang, Okla. will lead the march in Cowtown November 11 as part of the 2023 Tarrant County Veterans Day Parade.

The Soldier musicians will be “Saluting TCU Warriors” – theme of this year’s commemoration. They’ll step off at 11 a.m. Saturday from the city’s Panther Island Pavilion parking lot, march down North Forest Park Blvd. along the Clear Fork of the Trinity River, and return.

They’ll be joined by the 1st Cavalry Division’s mounted horse detachment from Fort Cavazos (formerly Fort Hood) near Killeen, Texas. Also taking part will be junior ROTC units, high school bands, veteran groups, businesses, and others, including a flyover by Marine Aircraft Group 41 from Naval Air Station-Fort Worth Joint Reserve Base.

This year marks Texas Christian University’s 150th anniversary. In concert with TCU’s celebration, the Tarrant County Veterans Council (TCVC) is saluting the university’s military legacy, its Army and Air Force ROTC programs, while honoring TCU alum and Medal of Honor recipient Maj. Horace S. Carswell, Jr.

“Everyone’s welcome to join in listening to the bands and saluting TCU, as well as the military veterans who have, are and will continue to make great contributions,” notes Council President Dan Zmroczek. “Simply visit our website (www.2023SaluteTCU.com) where you can learn more about this year’s event.”

Limited spectator parking is available off the pavement along the Forest Park Blvd. parade route, if you arrive before the street closes at 10 a.m. Additional parking exists in Trinity Park on the northwest side of the river. The Phyllis Tilley Memorial Pedestrian Bridge is an easy crossover to Rotary Plaza and North Forrest Park Blvd. Limited parking’s also available on 11th Ave., a block east of the parade route.

Fort Worth’s Veterans Day celebrations began more than 100 years ago as an armistice procession through downtown in 1919 to honor those who had fought in World War I. The annual event is organized by TCVC and hosted by the City of Fort Worth.

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