



of Columbia Heights

City Wall Calendar





JANUARY

The above image, "Winter's Grip," was inspired by a walk around Sullivan Lake during a blustery day in January. Image submitted by Columbia Heights resident Steven Nodgaard. Sullivan Lake Park is a neighborhood park with two picnic shelters and a walking trail around the lake.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
New Year's Day	City Offices Closed	10	77	10	17	7.4
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	City Council Meeting, 6 pm	i				Orthodox New Year
15	Martin Luther King Jr. Day City Offices Closed	17	18	19	20	21
22 Chinese New Year	23 City Council Meeting, 6 pm	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	DECEMBER 2022 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	FEBRUARY 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28		

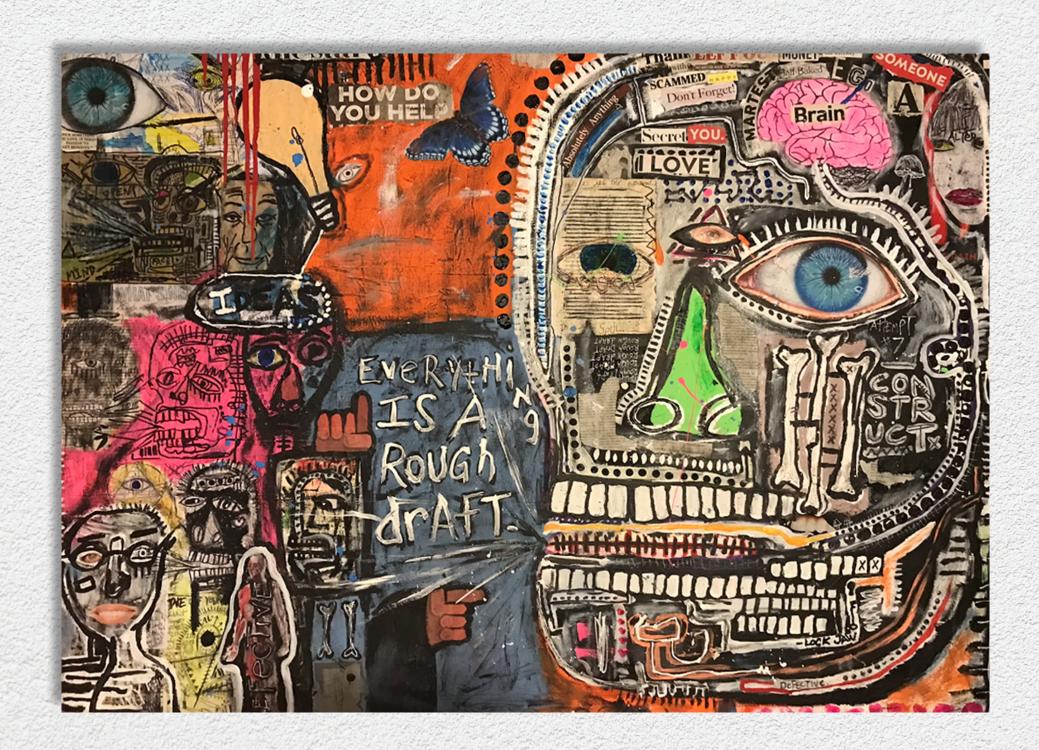


FEBRUARY

Inspired by a flurry of people and colors, the above artwork was painted in real-time by Columbia Heights resident Erikka Curran during the 2021 Columbia Heights Art Fair at Kordiak Park.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Groundhog Day	3	SnowBLAST, 4-7 pm Huset Park
5 EULL	6	7	8	9	10	Making Rescued Pet Beds with HeightsNEXT at the Library
12 Super Bowl	13 City Council Meeting, 6 pm	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18
19	President's Day City Offices Closed	21 Mardi Gras	22 Ash Wednesday	23	24	25
26	City Council Meeting, 6 pm	ļ			JANUARY 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	MARCH 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

Top row: Skates at SnowBLAST submitted by Ben Sandell. Bottom row: Ice Skating at Huset submitted by James Hogan.



MARCH

Above is a photograph of the painting "Everything is a Rough Draft," by Columbia Heights resident and Pizza Man manager Levi Berg. He said he's never been more artistically inspired than he was after moving to Columbia Heights.

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5	6 Purim Begins	Holi Festival of Colors	8	9	10	11
Daylight Saving Time Begins	13 City Council Meeting, 6 pm	On this day in 1898, Columbia Heights separated from Fridley Township and became a village	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day St. Patrick's Day Parade, 6 pm	18
19	20 First Day of Spring	21	22 Ramadan Begins	23	24 SACA Hops for Hunger	25
26	Business of the Year Nomination Deadline City Council Meeting, 6 pm		29	30	31 Winter Parking Rules End	

Top row: "It's Just Business," painting submitted by Levi Berg. Bottom row: Sunset over 40th image submitted by Anna O'Brien.



APRIL

McKenna Park showing off its beauty. Photo by Todd Kewatt. The City of Columbia Heights has 15 parks.

Visit McKenna Park and Keyes Park for some of the City's best sledding hills.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
MARCH 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	MAY 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31					1
2 Palm Sunday	3	4	5 Passover Begins	6 CFULL	Good Friday City Offices Closed	8
9 Easter Sunday	10 City Council Meeting, 6 pm	11	12	13 Passover Ends	14	15 World Art Day
16	17 Severe Weather Awareness Week, 17th-21st	18	19	20 NEW	Eid al-Fitr Ramadan Ends	Eid al-Fitr Earth Day
National Library Week, 23rd-29th	Outstanding Citizen Nomination Deadline City Council Meeting, 6 pm	25	26	27	28 Arbor Day	29
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Top row: Cloud imagery submitted by Larene St. Gabriel-Dargay. Bottom row: Waterfall image submitted by James Hogan. Framing imagery by Steven Nodgaard.





Above mural by Rebecca Krueger was painted around a storm drain outside City Hall to remind people that anything that washes into storm drains goes into our local waterways. Artists have painted multiple storm drain murals in Columbia Heights.

You can adopt a storm drain at www.mm.adopt-a-drain.org. Drone photo by Columbia Heights Public Works.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 National Day of Prayer	5 Cinco de Mayo	6
7	8 City Council Meeting, 6 pm	9	10	11	Cheers for Beers by HeightsNEXT & Top Valu Murzyn Hall	13
Mother's Day Police Week, 14th-20th	15 Peace Officers Memorial Day	16	17	18 Library Closed	Art-A-Whirl in Northeast May 19-21	20
21 Public Works Week, 21st-27th	22 City Council Meeting, 6 pm	23	24	25 Shavuot Begins	26	Library Closed Shavuot Ends
Pentecost	Memorial Day City Offices Closed	30	31		APRIL 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	JUNE 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

Top row: Bee and flower photo submitted by Anna O'Brien. Bottom row: Kordiak Park bridge image submitted by Melanie Kluck.



JUNE

Resident Tjody deVaal's Art Car, a 2004 Toyota covered in dominoes, Bananagrams letters, and funny phrases, with large game pieces and trophies on top, has been driven in local parades and at community events, most recently Heights Pride.

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MAY 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	JULY 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31			1	2	Pets in the Park Keyes Park, 11 am-2 pm
4 PULL	5	6	7	8 Last Day of Public School	SACA Golf Tournament Citywide Garage Sales	10 Citywide Garage Sales
11 Citywide Garage Sales	12 City Council Meeting, 6 pm	13	Flag Day City's Community Art & Info Fair, 4-7 pm Huset West/Splash Pad	15	16	17
18 NEW	19 Juneteenth	20	Pirst Day of Summer Tasty Pizza Medallion Hunt Begins	22 Jamboree Carnival	23 Lions' Jamboree Parade, 6 pm Jamboree Carnival	Armed Forces Day Jamboree Fireworks, Dusk Jamboree Carnival
25 Lions' Waffle Breakfast Jamboree Carnival	City Council Meeting, 6 pm		Eid al-Adha Begins Music in the Park, 6:30 pm Huset Park East	29	30	

Top row: McKenna sunset photo submitted by Todd Kewatt. Bottom row: Local backyard art display submitted by Melissa Stockhaus.

PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL





Columbia Heights Police Sergeant and MN LEMA Honor Guard member Jason Piehn stands in vigil at the MN Law Enforcement Memorial during the 2022 Peace Officers Memorial Day ceremony, which included a wreath laying ceremony in honor of CHPD Officer Curtis Ramsdell, killed in the line of duty July 30, 1977. Joining Sgt. Piehn were Chief Lenny Austin and Mayor Amáda Márquez Simula. Photo by Aaron Guzman.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 PULL	Independence Day City Offices Closed	5	6	7	8
9	City Council Meeting, 6 pm	11	Music in the Park, 6:30 pm Huset Park East	13	14	15
16	17 NEW	Police Department Eat and Greet, 5-7 pm at Keyes Park Islamic New Year	19	20	21 102nd Anniversary of the City of Columbia Heights Incorporated as a City	22
23	24 City Council Meeting, 6 pm	25	26 Music in the Park, 6:30 pm Huset Park East	27	28	29
Anniversary of Officer Curtis Ramsdell, CHPD officer, killed in the line of duty July 30, 1977.	31	Rettor ou Dhak af U				



AUGUST

Aerial photo, "The Strip," was taken by Columbia Heights resident Phillip Zuidema, featuring Central Ave just south of 40th. Visible are the CH Library (right), Heights Theater (center), and the new apartment/City Hall building.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		National Night Out	2	MN Fringe Festival Aug 3-13	4	5
6	7	8	Music in the Park, 11 am Huset Park East Mayor's Monarch Festival	Ecuadorian Independence Day	11	12
13	14 City Council Meeting, 6 pm	15	16 NEW	17	Movie in the Park, Dusk Huset Park West	19
20	21	22	Music in the Park, 6:30 pm Huset Park East	24	Movie in the Park, Dusk Huset Park West	26
27	City Council Meeting, 6 pm		30 C		JULY 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	SEPTEMBER 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 6 10 11 12 13 14 15 11 17 18 19 20 21 22 2 24 25 26 27 28 29 3



SEPTEMBER

Aerial photo "Kordiak Park Looking at Minneapolis," was the second image by Phillip Zuidema selected for this calendar by contest judges. The image was shot with a Mavic Mini 3 Pro drone. Kordiak County Park is 29 acres and was the first park in the Anoka County Parks System.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AUGUST 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	OCTOBER 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31				1	2 Library Closed
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Labor Day City Offices Closed	First Day of Public Schools				
10	11	12	13	14	Youth Commission Application Deadline	16
	City Council Meeting, 6 pm				Movie in the Park, Dusk McKenna Park Rosh Hashanah Begins	VFW Flag Retirement Ceremony, 10 am
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Rosh Hashanah Ends						Pride Festival at Kordiak Park First Day of Autumn
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Yom Kippur Begins	Yom Kippur Ends City Council Meeting, 6 pm					



OCTOBER

Above image, "Ready..." of the Columbia Heights Fire Station was the second image by resident Steven Nodgaard selected for this calendar by the contest judges. The Public Safety Building was built in 2009 and houses both the Police and Fire departments.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 • NEW
Fire Prevention Week, 8th-14th	Indigenous Peoples' Day Columbus Day City Council Meeting, 6 pm					Fire Dept Open House Public Safety Building, 11 am-2 pm
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 FULL Truck or Treat
29	City Council Meeting, 6 pm	31 Halloween	SACA Empty Bowls SEPTEMBER 2023	NOVEMBER 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30		Huset Park, 1-4 pm

Bottom row image submitted by the City of Columbia Heights.



NOVEMBER

Above image, "Gratitude in Fall," of morning-time autumn colors submitted by Gretchen Bias. Gretchen and her husband walk around Kordiak Park daily and call it their 'gratitude walk.'

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Día de los Muertos Winter Parking Rules Begin No street parking 2-6 am	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Daylight Saving Time Ends					City Offices Closed	Library Closed Veterans Day
12	13 NEW	14	15	16	17	18
Diwali	City Council Meeting, 6 pm	I	00	0.7	0.4	
19	20	21	22	Thanksgiving Day City Offices Closed	24 City Offices Closed	25
26	27 FULL City Council Meeting, 6 pm	28	29	30	OCTOBER 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	DECEMBER 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

Top row image of Silver Lake submitted by Katie Holznagel.



DECEMBER

Above image, "Breezy Evening in the Heights," features a northbound view up Central Avenue past the Heights Theater at dusk. Submitted by Ben Sandell.

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Harriet Blythe founded the City's first library, 1928 Advent Begins				Hanukkah Begins Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day		
10	11	12 • NEW	13	14	15	16
	City Council Meeting, 6 pm				Hanukkah Ends	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
				First Day of Winter		Library Closed
24	25	26 CILL	27	28	29	30
Advent Ends Christmas Eve	Christmas Day City Offices Closed	City Offices Closed Kwanzaa Begins				
31						
New Year's Eve						

Top row image of Holiday Train submitted by City of Columbia Heights. Bottom row image of McKenna Park originally submitted by Todd Kewatt for the 2021 calendar photo contest.

Honorable Mentions Several other art submissions ranked high with the judges.

Below were the highest scoring entries beyond the top 12.

Left column top image by Karima Benmouloud. Left column bottom image by Katie Holznagel. Middle column top image by Steven Nodgaard. Middle column bottom image by Karima Benmouloud. Right row images, top to bottom, by Levi Berg, Aaron Guzman, Ben Sandell, Todd Kewatt, James Hogan, and Hamza Eznaidi.





















THANK YOU FOR BUYING A CITY CALENDAR!

Proceeds from calendar sales go back into the City's events, activities, and merchandise funds to help make our community events as welcoming as possible. Below are images of annual City events. Get updates and more details at www.columbiaheightsmn.gov/events. This is the City's third official annual wall calendar. Last year's theme was Pets of Columbia Heights.



Community Art and Info Fair, Huset Park West, June 14



Truck or Treat, Huset Park East, Oct 28



SnowBLAST, Huset Park East, Feb 4



Movies in the Park, various dates, times, and locations



Music in the Park, Huset Park East, June 28, July 12 and 26, and Aug 23 at 6:30 pm, and Aug 9 at 11 am

Landmark Posters for Sale

If you're looking for more Columbia Heights inspired art, the company Design Replace created a series of nine landmark posters for the City. To purchase, please call 763-706-3614. Poster sizes are 11" by 17". Posters are \$5 each or \$40 for the series.





















Submitted by Steven Nodgaard



Submitted by Erikka Curran



Submitted by Levi Berg



Submitted by Todd Kewatt



Mural by Rebecca Krueger



Submitted by Tjody deVaal



Photo by Aaron Guzman



Submitted by Phillip Zuidema



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Submitted by Steven Nodgaard



Submitted by Gretchen Bias



Submitted by Ben Sandell

2025

Art of Columbia Heights City Wall Calendar For this calendar, four judges anonymously selected the top 12 images from a group of 51 submitted entries. Additional images were sprinkled throughout. Photos were scored on three criteria: Overall Impression, Technical/Artistic Merit, and Calendar Appropriateness. Thank you to our judges: Mike Lindsay, Ramsey County communications associate; Danielle Gates, Golden Valley graphic designer, Heidi Andrea, Blaine website coordinator, and Candy Lack, community art instructor. Proceeds from calendar sales go back into the City's events, activities, and merchandise funds to help make our community events as welcoming as possible. More info at columbiaheightsmn.gov/events. Thank you to everyone who submitted!

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