

Annapolis Pride parade, festival postponed until fall due to weather



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The [Annapolis Pride](#) parade and festival, originally scheduled for Saturday, is being postponed due to storms [expected over the weekend](#).

Organizers will reschedule the main events for the fall, according to a news release from Annapolis officials.

Other activities associated with the city's hallmark LGBTQ+ pride parade, such as the "Big Gay Dance Party" on June 6 and a pop-up market on June 7, will go on as planned.

"The safety of our community comes first," said Annapolis Pride Board Chair Joe Toolan, in a statement. He said that organizers had spent "hundreds of hours" planning, and that "tens of thousands" of attendees were expected to come to the Saturday event.

Friday night's forecast calls for heavy rain, with showers and thunderstorms expected Saturday afternoon in Annapolis, according to the National Weather Service. The festival grounds, at Wiley H. Bates Middle School, are already experiencing flooding and oversaturation, according to a release from organizers.

Washington is hosting WorldPride, the international LGBTQ+ celebration, this year, with a parade scheduled for June 7. Baltimore's pride parade is scheduled for June 14.

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