



Top 10 Reasons to Attend the 2025 Annapolis Pride Parade & Festival

1. ***New parade route!*** We'll start at Calvert & Bladen Streets, go around Church Circle, and up West Street to end at Amos Garrett Blvd..
2. ***2025 Theme - Growing in Pride - Growing in Community.*** This celebration and call to action remind us that even in the face of oppression, we thrive, uplift one another, and protect our community. Pride is rooted in resilience and resistance — and as we grow in pride, we reaffirm that everyone deserves to live openly, safely, and proudly, because our communities are strongest when no one is left behind.
3. ***Out of this world Grand Marshal- Col. Bree Fram,*** astronautical engineer, author, podcaster, speaker, and colonel in the United States Space Force. She is currently one of the highest-ranking out transgender officers in the U.S. military.
4. ***Unforgettable Parade Energy***
Colorful floats, draft horses, motorcycles, dancers, and marching bands — Annapolis Pride's parade is a vibrant display of joy, resilience, and unity you don't want to miss.
5. ***Be Part of History in the Making***
As the first Pride parade and festival in the DMV, this event marks a powerful moment for our region — and a fitting celebration of LGBTQ+ History Month.
6. ***Incredible Live Entertainment***
Catch talented performers like The Gathering Gloom, a Cure Tribute band, and countless other artists lighting up three festival stages throughout the afternoon.
7. ***Shop Local & LGBTQIA+ Vendors***
Discover unique art, crafts, clothing, and Pride merch from local artisans, creators, and queer-owned businesses.
8. ***Family-Friendly Fun***
From kids' activities to welcoming community booths, there's something for every age to enjoy in a safe, inclusive space.
9. ***Food Trucks & Tasty Treats***
Annapolis brings the flavor — come hungry for everything from funnel cakes to international bites, and vegan options, brought to you by many food trucks.
10. ***Over 150 Festival Vendors, Marchers!*** Tons of community resources, faith groups, local artisans and businesses, and fabulous floats.