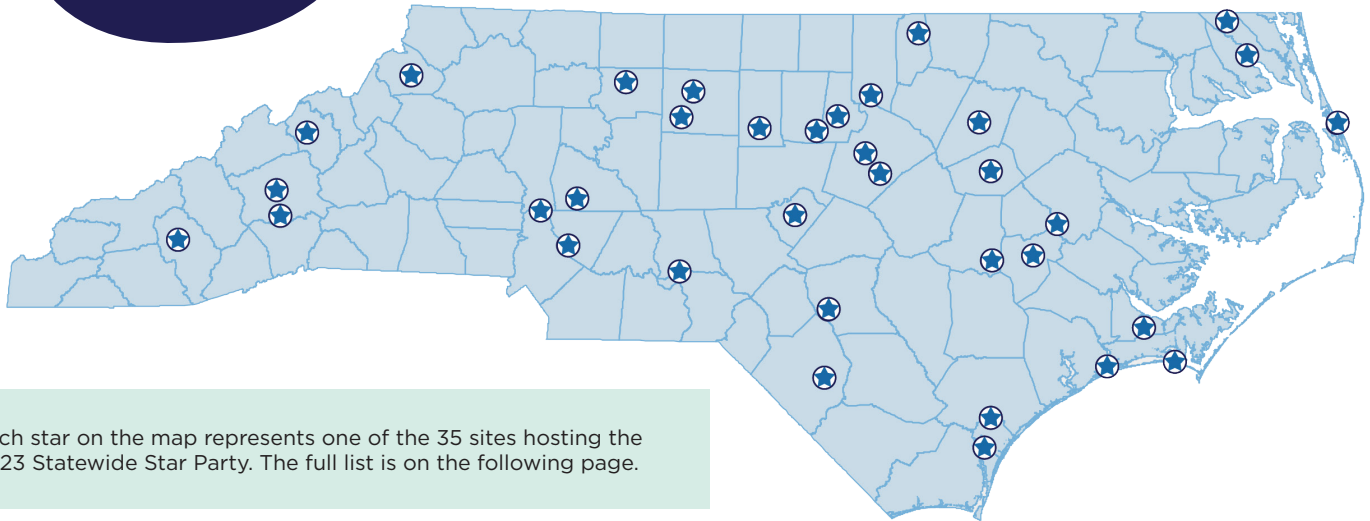




2023 Statewide Star Party

APRIL 21 AND 22, 2023



Each star on the map represents one of the 35 sites hosting the 2023 Statewide Star Party. The full list is on the following page.

Thanks to generous grant support from the North Carolina Space Grant, the 2023 North Carolina Science Festival will again feature the Statewide Star Party as a signature initiative.

During this eleventh annual Statewide Star Party, 35 hosts will offer public skywatching events across North Carolina on Friday, April 21, and Saturday, April 22, 2023. Star Party hosts include state and local parks, colleges and universities, planetariums, science centers, nature centers, and libraries. About 3,500 visitors are expected to participate.

This year's Star Party theme is "Celebrating the Night Sky." Hosts are provided with a Star Party kit of hands-on activities and NASA resources on this theme.

About NCSiFest

The North Carolina Science Festival is a month-long celebration of science that happens every April. Launched in 2010, the Festival is an initiative of UNC's Morehead Planetarium and Science Center and has grown into one of the largest celebrations of STEM in the world. The Festival highlights the educational, cultural, and financial impact of science in our state. Through hands-on activities, science talks, lab tours, nature experiences, expos, exhibits, and performances, the Festival engages a wide range of public audiences while inspiring future generations. Find out more at ncscifest.org.



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STATEWIDE STAR PARTY SITES

Find more details, including dates and times, on the Festival's website: www.ncsciencefestival.org

COUNTY	CITY	ORGANIZATION
Alamance	Greensboro	Three College Observatory
Buncombe	Asheville	University of North Carolina Asheville
Buncombe	Candler	Buncombe County Public Libraries
Cabarrus	Harrisburg	Cabarrus County Public Library
Camden	South Mills	Dismal Swamp State Park
Carteret	Atlantic Beach	Crystal Coast Star Gazers
Craven	Havelock	Craven Community College
Cumberland	Hope Mills	Cumberland County Public Library
Dare	Nags Head	Jockey's Ridge State Park
Duplin	Rocky Point	Science Alliance of Eastern NC
Durham	Durham	City of Durham
Forsyth	Winston-Salem	Kaleideum North
Granville	Creedmoor	Triangle Land Conservancy
Guilford	Greensboro	Greensboro Science Center
Guilford	Jamestown	Guildford Technical Community College
Jackson	Sylva	Southwestern Community College
Lee	Sanford	Lee County Libraries
Lenoir	Kinston	Ellis Planetarium at Neuseway Park
Mecklenburg	Davidson	Davidson College
Montgomery	Mount Gilead	Town Creek Indian Mound State Historic Site
Nash	Nashville	Town of Nashville
New Hanover	Wilmington	Cape Fear Museum of History and Science
Onslow	Swansboro	Hammocks Beach State Park
Orange	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill Public Library
Pasquotank	Elizabeth City	College of The Albemarle - Elizabeth City
Pitt	Grifton	NC Museum of Natural Sciences at Contentnea Creek
Robeson	Lumberton	Public Schools of Robeson County Planetarium
Rowan	China Grove	Rowan Public Library System
Vance	Henderson	Kerr Lake State Recreation Area and Perry Memorial Library
Wake	Garner	Garner Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources
Wake	Raleigh	NC Museum of Natural Sciences at Prairie Ridge Ecostation
Wayne	Seven Springs	Cliffs of the Neuse State Park
Wilkes	Boone	Appalachian State University Dark Sky Observatory
Wilson	Wilson	Imagination Station Science and History Museum
Yancey	Burnsville	Mayland Earth to Sky Park