



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE & FESTIVAL IN DOWNTOWN HOLLYWOOD** *Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> noon to 6 p.m.*

**Hollywood, FL** – The City of Hollywood, Hibernians of Hollywood and the Community Redevelopment Agency team up to host the St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festival in downtown Hollywood on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> from noon to 6:00 p.m. At 1:00 p.m. the parade will travel east on Hollywood Boulevard from 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue to Young Circle, returning on Harrison Street to 21st Avenue.





Radio personality Footy will emcee the parade that will feature dozens of festive floats, local marching bands and spectacular bagpipe and drum corps including the New York Police Department Emerald Society Pipe and Drum Corps. Anniversary Park will transform into the "Magic of the Emerald Isle" children's activity area for youngsters of all ages. There is an exciting line-up of traditional Irish entertainment including *Joe Dougherty*, *John Byrne Band* and *UV the U2 Tribute Show*. Performances will take place on the stage at 19th Avenue and Hollywood Boulevard.

Downtown Hollywood restaurants will be offering Irish favorites like Corned Beef & Cabbage, Shepherd's Pie and green-colored drinks! Parking at City-operated garages will be a \$10 event parking rate with additional parking available in marked lots throughout the downtown. The designated Uber and Lyft drop off/pick up area will be located at Bank of America building at 1900 Tyler Street.

This year's parade Grand Marshal is City of Hollywood Police Chief Chris O'Brien. Chief O'Brien grew up in Hollywood and graduated from Hollywood Hills High School in 1993. Chris started his career with the Hollywood Police Department in 1998. After serving in many different Divisions, Units, and leading roles and having been the recipient of many community awards

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and other Departmental Commendations, Chris was appointed Chief of the Hollywood Police Department in February 2018. Chris has been happily married to wife Nicole for nearly 20 years and they have a daughter named Lexi.

For complete event information please visit [www.stpatricksparade.com](http://www.stpatricksparade.com) or call the City of Hollywood Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts at 954.921.3404. For media inquiries, please contact Joann Hussey at 954.921.3328.

#### **Event Schedule:**

**Date:** Sunday, March 10, 2019

**Event Time:** 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Parade Time:** 1:00 p.m.

**Location:** Downtown Hollywood – Hollywood Boulevard and Harrison Street

#### **Street Closures**

**Festival Area: 6:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m.**

- Hollywood Boulevard from 18th Avenue (Young Circle) to 21st Avenue
- 19th Avenue from Harrison Street to Tyler Street
- 20th Avenue from Harrison Street to Tyler Street
- North and South west parking pods at Young Circle (La Piazza & Lebo)

**Parade Staging and Route: 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.**

- 21st Avenue from Washington Street, north to Hollywood Boulevard
- Young Circle (Federal Highway) from Tyler Street to Harrison Street
- Harrison Street from 18th Avenue (Young Circle) to 21st Avenue

#### **Festival Musical Lineup**

- Joe Dougherty
- John Byrne Band
- U2 by UV – Tribute Band

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