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## Check it Out

# Lighten up to celebrate New Year's Eve

Lawrence will be a little brighter this New Year's Eve with some festivities planned by Groundwork Lawrence in conjunction with the Essex Art Center, the Lawrence Heritage State Park, Lawrence Main Streets Inc., and the Robert Frost Foundation.

"Lights are part of the holiday celebrations of every culture. We hope this will be the beginning of a wonderful New Year

tradition in the city," said Maggie Super, associate director of Groundwork Lawrence, a nonprofit group which improves public spaces and parks throughout the city.

Beginning at 2 p.m., the Essex Art Center hosts a lantern-making workshop. Bring a plastic soda bottle, and learn how to make your own portable light source.

At 4:15 p.m., there will be a Lantern

Parade, starting from the Essex Art Center at 56 Island St. The parade will travel Canal Street, to Appleton Way, to Essex Street to Jackson Street.

On Jackson Street, the Lawrence Heritage State Park will host refreshments, poetry and a lantern raffle. Artists from around the region created special lanterns for the event, which will be sold to benefit Groundwork Lawrence.

Raffle tickets may be purchased at the Groundwork Lawrence office at 60 Island St. They cost \$3 each or two for \$5.

**When:** Monday beginning at 2 p.m.

**Where:** Essex Art Center, 56 Island St., Lawrence

**Admission:** Free

**For more information:** Please call (978) 974-0770