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**Celebrate Valentine’s Day on the Rail Trail, thanks to U.S. Bank**

What: A pop up celebration of love, featuring free portraits and a limited number of free flowers at the Confetti Hearts Mural in South End along with live music and an art walk.

When: Saturday, Feb. 11, 11am-2pm

Where: The Design Center, 1930 Camden Rd., Charlotte, NC 28203

Roses are red, violets are blue, stop by the Rail Trail for free photos for your sweetie and you! South End residents and visitors are invited to stop at Evelyn Henson’s Instagram-famous Confetti Hearts Mural on Saturday, Feb. 11 from 11am-2pm for free portraits by Collin Mairena Photography in honor of Valentine’s Day! Attendees can enjoy live music from local musician Curt Keyz throughout the event, and the first 100 people can also pick up a flower to keep for themselves or to give to their valentine (or galentine). Flowers will be provided by Bookout Blooms. Learn more about free portraits at the Confetti Hearts Mural: <https://southendclt.org/do/valentines-day-portraits-at-the-confetti-hearts-mural>

In addition to portraits and live music, attendees are welcome to register for a one-hour love-themed walking art tour led Professor Anne Low of ArtWalks CLT, starting at 12:00 pm at the nearby Krispy Kreme Donuts (2116 Hawkins Street). The art tour will end at the Confetti Hearts Mural. Pre-registration is recommended but not required, register using the following link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lovers-artwalk-in-south-end-tickets-526495240437>

The free portraits are part of the I Heart Rail Trail initiative, a partnership between the Charlotte Rail Trail, Charlotte Center City Partners and U.S. Bank. The program features events large and small to activate the Rail Trail and enhance the experience of this 3.5-mile linear park. In addition to sponsoring the I Heart Rail Trail initiative, in 2019 U.S. Bank contributed $1 million toward the planned construction of a pedestrian bridge that will connect the South End and Uptown portions of the Rail Trail.

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