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Town Green Features Holiday Display Lottery Selections

It's beginning to look a lot like...multiple winter holidays as Vienna's first-ever holiday display lottery winners create their seasonal displays on the Town Green! The Town of Vienna's new <u>holiday display lottery</u> allows up to three displays meeting certain technical requirements to be placed on the Town Green near the Town's first live, cut Christmas tree, which was lighted at this year's Church Street Holiday Stroll on Nov. 27. Three holiday display lottery applications were submitted this year, and all met the criteria for display. They are:

- A menorah submitted by Chabad Tysons to commemorate Hannukah.
- A lighted dreidel submitted by Jewish Moms of Vienna to commemorate Hannukah.
- A lighted display submitted by Shelley Mountjoy to commemorate the winter solstice.

The menorah was installed on Tuesday, Nov. 28. The dreidel was installed on Wednesday, Nov. 29 and the winter solstice display is expected to be installed on Monday, Dec. 4.

"We live in a multicultural community, and we wanted to provide an opportunity for various winter holiday traditions to be honored in our public space," said Vienna Town Manager Mercury Payton in a recent statement. "Residents from all walks of life gather on the Town Green for celebrations throughout the year, and we look forward to seeing various festive displays that represent our community during the season of peace and light."

Only one holiday display sponsor requested a celebratory gathering to commemorate their festive display. The entire community is invited to attend the menorah-lighting ceremony on Sunday, Dec. 10 at 5 p.m. on the Town Green.

Vienna residents will have plenty of time to enjoy the holiday lights on the Town Green. All festive displays are permitted to remain on the Town Green Lawn until Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2024.