

June 2009

Traditional Arts Workshops are by registration only and must be pre-paid.
Call (423) 543-5808 for more information.

Workshop: Sweater Knitting

Monday, June 1

Cost: \$25 per class or \$80 for four (plus supplies)

Join any time! Learn to follow a published pattern of your choice and produce an attractive garment in the process. Discover tips and tricks to make your knitting easier and better. Basic knitting skills are needed to attend this class. Materials are available from the instructor for \$8 to \$12.

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

9 am – 1 pm

Limit: 12 Minimum: 3

Homespun Storytelling Guild

Tuesday, June 2

6-8 pm

Dedicated to preserving stories, tales, and folklore in a relaxed and informal setting. Come and hone your skills in the age-old art of storytelling. The guild will meet at the Carter Mansion on Broad Street Extension.

Sycamore Shoals Native American Festival

Saturday, June 6

10:00 am – 9:30 pm (craft booths close at 6 pm)

Sunday, June 7

10:00 am – 6 pm

A two-day celebration of our Native American Heritage. Come and discover the arts, music, dance, crafts, legends and stories of our Native Americans with emphasis on the Cherokee culture. Join us Saturday night for a special lecture and campfire program. All proceeds from admissions go to Friends of Sycamore Shoals State Historic Area, to support this event. Admissions Charge: \$4 Adults; \$1 children.

Liberty Spinners

Tuesday, June 9

9:30 am – 1 pm

This gathering of spinners and fiber artists is open to anyone interested in the art of spinning.

Friends of Sycamore Shoals Meeting

Thursday, June 11

7:00 pm

The Friends of Sycamore Shoals State Historic Area sponsors the many events here at the park. If you would like to be a part of what goes on behind the scenes, join us for our monthly meeting! These meetings are open to members, non-members, and prospective members alike.

Colonial Kids Day Camp

Friday, June 12

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Spend a day at the Carter Mansion for a day of historical & natural activities for young people ages 8 - 12. Registration is limited. Small fee for each session.

Workshop: Stone Celt

Instructors: Bob Estep, Chris Edens, Clark Sams

Saturday & Sunday, June 13 & 14

9:30 am – 4:30 pm

Cost: \$60 (supplies included)

Limit: 8 Minimum: 4

Stone Age “peck and grind” technology at its best! Make a woodland period stone axe, also called a celt. Fashion the blades on Saturday and haft them up in a hickory handle on Sunday. Bring a good sturdy wood carving knife and a hatchet if you have one, plus any wood working tools you want to bring. Also bring the biggest can of elbow grease you have—the stone age was not for wimps! Adults only

Workshop: Scrap Booking

Instructors: Becky Magill and Johnnie Wilson

Wednesday, June 17

10:00 am – 3:00 pm each session

Cost: no charge for instruction. Supplies are available for purchase if needed.

Limit: none - A creative way to preserve and protect your favorite photos and memories!

Beginners and experienced scrap bookers alike are welcome to attend.

Colonial Kids Day Camp

Friday, June 19

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Spend a day at the Carter Mansion for a day of historical & natural activities for young people ages 8 - 12. Registration is limited. Small fee for each session.

Workshop: Cherokee Honeysuckle Basket

Instructors: Dale Cloer & Vicki Standingdeer

Saturday, June 20

1 pm – 4 pm

Cost: \$25 (includes supplies)

Limit: none Minimum:

Make a traditional Cherokee basket using honeysuckle, naturally dyed with bloodroot, walnut, and pokeberry. Learn how to cook the vine, roll, bleach, dye, and make splints.

Shape Note Singing with Don Wiley

Sunday, June 21

3 pm – 5 pm

Shape note singing is an early musical tradition in which various shapes represented each note of the do-re-mi scale. We invite you to join The Old Fields Singers—listen or sing along—and make this rich tradition your own.

Workshop: Step-By-Step Oil Paint

Instructor: Kay Braswell

Saturday, June 20

9 am – 4:30 pm

Cost: \$50 (includes supplies)

Limit: 12 Minimum: 6

Use wet-on-wet techniques to learn oil on canvas from a certified Bob Ross instructor.

Colonial Kids Day Camp

Friday, June 26

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Spend a day at the Carter Mansion for a day of historical & natural activities for young people ages 8 - 12. Registration is limited. Small fee for each session.

Saturday, June 27

Sycamore Shoals State Historic Area

Mountain River Concert Series Presents:

Patchwork

Sycamore Shoals welcomes back the very first musical guest for our concert series! This western North Carolina bluegrass and traditional group plays at parks and festivals throughout the region. “Patchwork” is a fitting name for the group’s eclectic style, which combines bluegrass instruments, *a cappella* harmonies, and traditional Appalachian sounds such as the hammered dulcimer and pennywhistle.

Saturday, June 27

7:00 p.m.

Adults: \$7 Children: \$2

Sponsored by Friends of Sycamore Shoals State Historic Area

Sunday Jam at the Carter Mansion

Sunday, June 28

2:00 - 5:00 pm

Our open pickin’ and sharin’ session is open to musicians of all levels, dancers, listeners, and toe tappers! Join us for this home-style gathering!

Opening Reception – Watauga Valley Art League Annual Art Show

Sunday, June 28

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Stop by the museum at Sycamore Shoals to view the beautiful artwork of the Watauga Valley Art League. Local artists display their talents during the entire month of July.

For more information or to register for workshops, contact

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