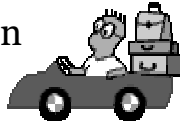


Summer Fun



This summer will be an exciting time to visit the Gaston County Museum! We are offering several free activities throughout the summer for every member of the family to enjoy. Take a look at our scheduled events and make plans to spend part of your summer with us.

June

- June 3 **Coffee with the Curator**
- June 7 **1st Sunday Prog.—Family Fun Day**
- June 11 **Drop in Day Camp**
- June 12 **Blues out Back: John Dee Holeman**
- June 18 **Drop in Day Camp**
- June 23 **Terrific Toddler Tuesday***
- June 23 **Cartooning Camp***
- June 25 **Drop in Day Camp**

July

- July 1 **Coffee with the Curator**
- July 2 **Drop in Day Camp**
- July 5 **1st Sunday Program**
- July 9 **Drop in Day Camp**
- July 10 **Blues Out Back: Big Ron Hunter**
- July 14 **Art Camp***
- July 16 **Drop in Day Camp**
- July 16 **Family Fun Night—Pirate Themed***
- July 28 **Terrific Toddler Tuesday***

August

- August 2 **1st Sunday Program**
 - August 3-6 **Time Travelers Camp***
 - August 5 **Coffee with the Curator**
 - August 11 **Pottery Camp***
 - August 14 **Blues Out Back: Drink Small**
 - August 20 **Family Fun Night***
 - August 25 **Terrific Toddler Tuesday***
- *Pay Events*



Summer Camps

We are proud to offer several camps for children this summer. There is limited space for these events, so you need to pre-register. Call Jeff at 704-922-7681 ext. 105 for pricing, to make your reservations, etc.



Cartooning Camp—June 23 10-12 or 1-3 for ages 9-12

Want to learn how to draw cartoons or become a better artist? Then join us as author and illustrator Dave McDonald who has over 25 years experience presents a fun and exciting camp on basic cartooning and drawing.



Art Camp July 14 10 AM-3 PM Ages 7-10

It is time to release that inner artist! For this day, campers will study the different types of art that is on display in the Museum and work on making their own masterpieces.



Time Travelers Camp August 3-6 Ages 9-12 9 AM-3 PM

This camp will be very immersive and hands-on. Learn about our local history, participate in a Civil War drill, play historic games, tour the Hoffman Hotel and Dallas Historic Square, learn a historic dance, in addition to many other historic activities.



Pottery Camp August 11 Ages 7-10—10 AM-3 PM

Come learn about North Carolina's rich pottery heritage and create several clay inspired crafts.

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SUMMER DROP-IN DAY CAMP—DISCOVERING THE OLD SOUTH

Drop-in Day Camp at GCM is back for six Thursdays in a row! Each week has its own theme with stories, games, crafts and a visit to some part of the museum. It's easy to sign up; all you have to do is "drop-in" to the museum! Moms, toddlers and grandparents are invited to come and relax or get involved in the fun.

Ages: 5 - 12 ~

10:30 am - Noon

Free



Drop-In Day Camp Topics

A SOLDIER'S LIFE

FLAGS & FIREWORKS

FROM FIELD TO FIBER

FROM SLAVERY TO FREEDOM

GAMES OF LONG AGO

TRACKS & TRAILS



Terrific Toddler Tuesday

10:00 AM-11:00 AM

Ages 1-4

Free to Family-Level Members,
all others \$2 per child

June 23—Patriotic Party

Come celebrate the Fourth of July with patriotic games and songs, decorate a craft in red, white, and blue and hear a patriot song.

July 21—What is Blue?

Tour the *Out of the Blue* art exhibit. Paint and color with blue and listen to a special story.

August 25—Horses & Carriages

Learn more about the horses that pulled carriages in the 1800s. Visit the Carriage House, make a horse craft, and hear a horse story.

Blues Out Back

Bring your picnic or lawn chair for live blues music the 2nd Friday of May, June, July, August, and September. All performances take place on the back lawn of Gaston County Museum. A food vendor will also be available.



Free ~ 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Coffee with the Curator

Bring an object or objects with you to the museum and the curator will provide information on its history. She will also provide advice regarding identification and preservation materials and sources. Please note that museum staff are unable to provide any monetary value for your object. The first Wednesday of each month.

Free ~ 10:30 - 11:30 am



1st Sundays

Every 1st Sunday of the month enjoy special programs. Visit our website or contact the museum to find out what the summer months have in store as well as other programs.

Free ~ 2:00 - 5:00pm

