

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 2 **Coffee with the Curator**
- June 6 **Family Fun Day**
- June 11 **Blues out Back: John Dee Holeman**
- June 12 **Father/Son Baseball Program***
- June 15 **The Science of Art Camp***
- June 17 **Drop in Day Camp**
- June 22 **Terrific Toddler Tuesday***
- June 22 **Cartooning Camp***
- June 24 **Drop in Day Camp**

July

- July 1 **Drop in Day Camp**
- July 7 **Coffee with the Curator**
- July 8 **Drop in Day Camp**
- July 9 **Blues Out Back: Boo Hanks**
- July 15 **Drop in Day Camp**
- July 15 **Family Fun Night***
- July 20 **Curator's Camp***
- July 22 **Drop in Day Camp**
- July 27 **Terrific Toddler Tuesday***
- July 30 **Civil War Soldier's Camp***

August

- August 1 **Slave Voices in NC**
- August 4 **Coffee with the Curator**
- August 10 **Pottery Camp***
- August 13 **Blues Out Back: Tad Walters**
- August 24 **Terrific Toddler Tuesday***
- *Pay Event & RSVP Required**



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, and to make your reservations.



The Science of Art Camp **June 15 10 AM-5 PM Ages 8-12**

In partnership with Discovery Place we will explore the scientific side of art. Kids will participate in interactive activities, demonstrations, and projects.

Cartooning Camp—June 22

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.



Curator's Camp—July 20 **Ages 9-12 10 AM-3 PM**

At this fun interactive hands-on camp, kids will learn all about what goes on behind the scenes at the museum. Campers will learn about exhibits, artifacts, and more!



Civil War Soldier Camp **July 30 Ages 9-12 10AM-3 PM**

Enlist! Kids will learn the basic skills of a soldier including camp setup, basic drill, and off duty responsibilities.



Pottery Camp **August 10**

Ages 7-10 10 AM—3 PM



Come learn about North Carolina's rich pottery heritage, create several clay crafts., and see a potter turn.

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Open Tues—Fri 10 am—5 pm, Sat 10 am—3 pm
1st Sun each month 2 pm—5 pm. 704-922-7681
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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

**TALL TALES &
AMERICAN MYTHS**

FROM FIELD TO FIBER

FLAGS & FIREWORKS

ROLLICKING REELS

TOYS & GAMES OF LONG AGO

**TRACKS, TRAILS &
FLYING MACHINES**



Terrific Toddler Tuesday

10:00 AM-11:00 AM
Ages 1-4

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

June 22—**Patriotic Party**

Come celebrate the best Fourth of July birthday party around! Hear a special story, play patriotic games, sing patriotic songs and make a red, white and blue flag.

July 27—**King Cotton**

We will explore the Textile Exhibit and learn all about cotton through stories, songs, and crafts.

August 25—**Sculpting Sculptures**

Using various sculpting materials the children will make their very own sculptures. Stories, games, and activities are included.

Blues Out Back

Bring your 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 the Gaston County Museum.



Free ~ 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Blues Out Back Schedule

May 14—Abe Reid

June 11—John Dee Holeman

July 9—Boo Hanks

August 13—Tad Walters

September 10—Big Ron Hunter

Coffee with the Curator

Blues out back dates ... ring 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