



# Caldwell Arts Council's 38th Annual Sculpture Celebration

Saturday, September 7, 2024 • 9am-4pm  
Broyhill Walking Park • Lenoir, NC

**Sculptor registration is open through September 4th.**  
**Visit [www.caldwellarts.com](http://www.caldwellarts.com) for complete details and the prospectus.**



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Luna  
2023 Best of Show  
by Sam Spiczka  
of Apex, NC

Rain or shine • Free admission and shuttle service

Over 125 indoor and outdoor works, many available for purchase

Food trucks & live music  
by Rastacoutic and Andrew Massey & Friends



The Sculpture Celebration is a program of the Caldwell Arts Council and is funded in part by generous sponsors and the North Carolina Arts Council, a division of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources.

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## Southern Highland Craft Guild in Asheville, NC, Offers Works by New Members of the Guild

The Southern Highland Craft Guild in Asheville, NC, will present an exhibition of works by new members to the Guild, on view in the Main Gallery on the second level of the Folk Art Center, from Sept. 28 through Jan. 18, 2025.

This show will debut the work of 27 new members of the Southern Highland Craft Guild, accepted into the Guild for their fine quality craftsmanship in 2023 and 2024. The room will be filled with wearable, decorative, and sculptural fiber, glass, wood, clay, jewelry, metal, and mixed media.



Work by Heidi Bleacher

For artists interested in joining the Southern Highland Craft Guild and showcasing their work in exhibitions at the Folk Art Center or learning more about the benefits Southern Highland Craft Guild membership, visit ([www.craftguild.org/join](http://www.craftguild.org/join)). New members are accepted into the guild four times a year after a two-step jury process. Applications can be found on the Guild's website at ([www.craftguild.org/join](http://www.craftguild.org/join)). Existing members of the Guild host free mentoring workshops throughout the year to assist



Work by Alex Gray

with the application process. E-mail to ([laura@craftguild.org](mailto:laura@craftguild.org)) or call 828/298-7928 for more information.

The Folk Art Center is located at Mile-post 382 on the Blue Ridge Parkway in east Asheville, twelve minutes from downtown. Headquarters to the Southern Highland Craft Guild, the Center also houses three galleries, a library, a craft shop and a Blue Ridge Parkway information desk and bookstore.

The Southern Highland Craft Guild is a non-profit, educational organization established in 1930 to bring together the crafts and craftspeople of the Southern Highlands for the benefit of shared resources, education, marketing and conservation. The Southern Highland Craft Guild is an authorized concessioner of the National Park Service, Department of Interior.

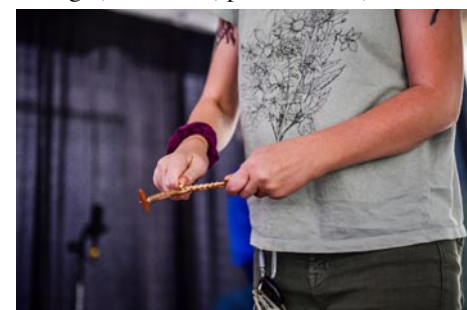
For more info check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, call 828/298-7928 or visit ([www.southernhighlandguild.org](http://www.southernhighlandguild.org)).

## Southern Highland Craft Guild in Asheville, NC, Offers 44th Annual Heritage Weekend - Sept. 21-22, 2024

The Southern Highland Craft Guild in Asheville, NC, will present the 44th Annual Heritage Weekend, at the Folk Art Center, just off the Blue Ridge Parkway in East Asheville, on Sept. 21 & 22, from 10am-4pm both days.

This free celebration of mountain heritage is held by the Southern Highland Craft Guild featuring demonstrations of traditional crafts accompanied by music.

A highlight of the event is the Annual World Gee Haw Whimmy Diddle competition held at 2pm. A Whimmy Diddle is an Appalachian mountain toy traditionally made from two sticks of rhododendron. Notches are carved into one stick and a propeller is attached to the end. Rubbing the notches with the second stick makes the proper spin. Can you get it to gee (spin to the right) and haw (spin to the left)?



Working to make his Whimmy Diddle to gee & haw

During the World Gee Haw Whimmy Diddle competition, contestants are judged on the number of rotations between gees and haw they can complete during a given time. They may be asked to switch hands or whimmy diddle behind their back. All ages may compete with trophies given for best child, adult, and professional. Winners receive a moon pie and bragging rights.



Sheep Shearing demo

Ongoing demonstrations will include traditional woodworking with traditional tools, weaving, spinning, dyeing, broom-making, stone carving, blacksmithing, soap-making, and printmaking. Visitors will have the opportunity to try their own hand at some of the crafts at an activity table.

A music stage will provide further entertainment with bluegrass and gospel music. The band schedule can be found online at ([craftguild.org](http://craftguild.org)).

The Blue Ridge Parkway's Folk Art Center is the ideal place for Heritage Day! There is free parking and a grassy area for picnics and relaxation. Spend an early autumn day in WNC honoring and learning about the crafts of yesteryear. Tour the Folk Art Center and maybe take a walk through the woods.

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