



WILDERNESS
WILDLIFE WEEK
PIGEON FORGE ★ TN

May 18 – 22, 2016
Exhibits, Vendors and More

**Note #1: All organizations will be onsite the duration of the event unless otherwise noted.*

**Note #2: Exhibitors listed in green are event sponsors.*

American Eagle Foundation – Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

Dedicated to the preservation of America's eagles.

Arts by Lois – Rutledge, Tennessee

Lois Armstrong specializes in scrimshaw items such as jewelry, as well as art prints.

Bays Mountain Park – Kingsport, Tennessee

Nature preserve and largest city-owned park in Tennessee featuring a nature center with a planetarium theater, habitats featuring wolves, bobcats, raptors and reptiles, an adventure ropes course, as well as 38 miles of trails.

Ken Jenkins Photography – Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Ken & Vickie Jenkins operate this wonderful nature and wildlife photography business focused on connecting people to the essence of the wilderness.

Birds-I-View – Jefferson City, Missouri

A wild bird and nature store operated by Steve & Regina Garr.

Bobbie Lamons Lovell – Artist – Sevierville, Tennessee

Artist specializing in paintings, prints, notecards and books.

Boogertown Gap – Sevierville, Tennessee

A husband and wife duo that specializes in the music played and sung by the early pioneers and settlers of the Great Smoky Mountains and vicinity.

Bush Brothers & Company / Bush's Visitor Center – Knoxville, Tennessee

A 106-year-old canning company and the Number One name in beans with plants in Chestnut Hill, Tennessee and Augusta, Wisconsin. Bush's Visitor Center contains a museum chronicling the company's history as well as a general store and café.

Cades Cove Preservation Association and Onsite Heritage Museum – Maryville, Tennessee

A nonprofit organization whose goal is to preserve the heritage of the Cades Cove community, located in Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Includes a special onsite museum featuring Cades Cove artifacts organized by the Cades Cove Preservation Association for attendees to enjoy.

Camp Smoky Christian Retreat – Sevierville, Tennessee

A non-profit faith-based ministry once known as Smoky Mountain Academy that served, during the “teens”, ‘20’s, ‘30’s, ‘40’s & ‘50’s; as one of Sevier County’s first public high schools. With the advent of the school bus and newer facilities being built in other areas of the county, the Smoky Mountain Academy came to a close in 1960 and was then given to the Sevier County Association of Baptists to carry out the ministry of summer camps to our county’s children and youth.

Discover Life in America – GSMNP

Collects and preserves information on the amazing biodiversity of plant and animal life in Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Dutchman’s Loft – Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Artist Dick Ensing paints in the tradition of the French impressionists and is the 5th generation grandson of the legendary Dutch painter, Adrian Van Der Werf.

Doug Elliott, Storyteller – Union Mills, North Carolina

Doug is a naturalist, herbalist, and a well-known storyteller.

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East Tennessee Historical Society and Museum – Knoxville, Tennessee

Regional history is preserved in permanent & visiting exhibits of artifacts, art & Civil War items.

Foamie Friends – Knoxville, Tennessee

Quality self-righting watercraft handmade by James Locke.

Fox Hollow Creations – Alcoa, Tennessee

David & Becky Weaver specialize in making hand-made baskets, dishcloths, chairs, footstools and more.

Friends of the Smokies – Kodak, Tennessee

Non-profit that works to raise money and support for Great Smoky Mountains National Park through memberships, guided hikes, and other special events. Visit Friends of the Smokies booth for more information on how you can protect and preserve our Smokies by becoming a Friend today.

Great Smoky Mountains Arts & Crafts Community – Gatlinburg, Tennessee

The largest group of independent artisans in North America, this historic eight-mile loop has been designated a Tennessee Heritage Arts & Crafts Trail. Established in 1937, these artisans whittle, paint, sew, cast, weave and carve to create original collectibles.

Great Smoky Mountains Association – GSMNP

This association retails, with all proceeds benefiting GSMNP, a complete line of publications, DVDs and many other items related to the history and preservation of the Smokies.

Great Smoky Mountains Institute at Tremont – Townsend, Tennessee

A private, non-profit that provides in-depth experiences through educational programs that nurture appreciation of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Great Smoky Mountains National Park Centennial Ambassadors – GSMNP

Join the Centennial Ambassadors as they share information on the National Park Service's Centennial Celebration, as well as information on the most visited national park in the United States, GSMNP.

GSM Outfitters – Wears Valley, Tennessee

Outdoor retailer committed to providing quality outdoor clothing and gear at lower prices while trying to assist its customers in having the best experience for the various activities they plan while in the National Park area. GSM Outfitters wants more than customers it wants friends that can share their experience, communicate and understand the Great Smoky Mountains National Park experience.

Hikey Mikey – Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

A quaint day-hiking store with you in mind. Find unique apparel as well as our "Build-A-Backpack" with all the hiking gear one needs to hit the trail all with the family budget in mind.

Holloway's Country Home – Cosby, Tennessee

Area quilting shop owned and operated by Maria Holloway specializing in handmade products, originating in centuries of rural tradition, as well as a large number of original and vintage quilts.

International Crane Foundation – Baraboo, Wisconsin

The International Crane Foundation works worldwide to conserve cranes and the ecosystems, watersheds, and flyways on which they depend.

Jean Leigh Claudette, Authors – Seymour, Tennessee

Award-winning author from a family full of authors, story tellers, musicians, and artists who writes children's books for the young audience to enjoy.

John Rose, Snuffy Smith Comic Strip Cartoonist – Harrisonburg, Virginia

Cartoonist for Barney Google and Snuffy Smith and author of several books, including The Bodacious Best of Snuffy Smith in 2013.

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Keep Sevier Beautiful – Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

Non-profit organization motivating and educating Sevier County residents and guests to take greater responsibility for improving our community's environment through litter prevention, waste reduction, recycling, as well as beautification and community greening.

Knoxville Zoo – Knoxville, Tennessee

The Knoxville Zoo celebrates the wonders of the natural world through education, conservation, exhibition, research and recreation.

Jewelry by LaDonna – Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

LaDonna designs and makes unique hand-made jewelry.

LeConte Photographic Society – Sevierville, Tennessee

Community of area photographers of all skills who share the passion and common goals to continuously improve photography, as well as its meaning as an art form.

Louise Bales, Artist – Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Louise lives in the Glade Arts & Crafts area of Gatlinburg where she has a gallery in the Cliff Dwellers Complex.

Melanie Fetterolf, Artist – Seymour, Tennessee

Melanie specializes in original watercolors, prints, nature artwork and cards.

Moonpie General Store – Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

Local store specializing in a large selection of books, gifts, ice cold drinks, old fashioned candies and Moonpies of every delicious flavor!

Nantahala Outdoor Center Gatlinburg – Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Nantahala Outdoor Center is the nation's largest outdoor recreation company. Over a million guests visit NOC annually to embark on a diverse collection of more than 120 different river and land-based itineraries, learn to kayak at NOC's world-renowned Paddling School, travel abroad with NOC's Adventure Travel program, test the latest outdoor gear and shop at its LEED-certified flagship retail stores or enjoy NOC's resort amenities such as its three restaurants and multi-tiered lodging. A privately-held company, NOC is one of the largest employers in Western North Carolina and 22 Olympians including two Olympic Gold Medalists have called NOC home. NOC has been recently recognized by The New York Times as the "Nation's Premiere Paddling School," "The Best Place to Learn" by Outside, and as "One of the Best Outfitters on Earth" by National Geographic Adventure.

Natural Look Woodcarving – Sevierville, Tennessee

Don Taylor, a teacher of woodcarving, operates this gallery which features his many world-class carvings.

Nelson Farms – Rockwood, Tennessee

The Nelson family specializes in goat milk soap/lotion, beeswax products, herbal teas and alpaca yarn.

Ogle's Broom Shop – Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Third Generation broom makers located in the Great Smoky Mountains Arts & Crafts Community. Handmade local products include brooms, walking sticks, and hiking sticks with unique carvings.

Old Mill Square – Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

Historic section of Pigeon Forge surrounding a working grist mill built in 1830. Includes restaurants and shops showcasing the mountain arts.

Pain in the Glass Creations – Sevierville, Tennessee

Artist Cindy Silmon specializes in Fused Glass, stained glass, and mosaics

Pat K. Thomas - Cliff Dwellers Gallery – Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Pat K. Thomas has developed her own italic writing style, combining calligraphy and marbling.

Pigeon Forge Public Library – Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

Pigeon Forge's local library has everything a library should: Books, magazines, media and more. Best of all, PFPL also preserves the history and heritage of Pigeon Forge for visitors and future generations to enjoy.

Proffitt's Woodworks – Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Sisters Jacki and Janis carry on the woodworking traditions of their family by producing traditional Appalachian turnings such as wooden fruit, bowls, candle holders, vases and more.

Sevier County Area Master Gardeners Association – Sevier County, Tennessee

An organization which assists people in developing and maintaining beautiful gardens and nature areas. Special emphasis in 2016 is pollinators in nature: important to our survival.

Smoky Mountain Historical Society – Sevier County, Tennessee

This non-profit group is dedicated to preserving Sevier County's history and heritage.

Smoky Mountain Living – Waynesville, North Carolina

Smoky Mountain Living covers the southern Appalachians and celebrates the area's environmental riches, its people, culture, music, arts, history, and special places. Published six times each year, SML is a magazine for those who want to learn more about where they live and those who want to stay in touch with where they love.

Smoky Mountain Publishers – Townsend, Tennessee

Author Dr. Gail Palmer has several books and DVDs about the heritage and history of GSMNP and its people.

Smoky Mountain School of Photography – Sevierville, Tennessee

Smoky Mountain School of Photography was formed in order to provide workshops and training classes to help avid nature photographers improve their craft. The school's goal is to help photographers create the best possible images of the Great Smoky Mountains and Southern Appalachian region while teaching them more about how to be effective in the field.

Smoky Mountain Spinnery – Gatlinburg, Tennessee

A unique spinnery and shop offering a complete line of spinning, knitting and weaving supplies that also carries gifts and antiques.

Smoky Mountains Hiking Club – Knoxville, Tennessee

A 91 year-old organization promoting hiking, conservation, and Appalachian Trail maintenance in the Smoky Mountains and surrounding areas. Visitors welcome on all outings and AT work trips.

Storymark Entertainment – Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Entertainment company that produces Sounds of the Smokies, an amazing audio journey through the Smoky Mountains.

Tennessee Citizens for Wilderness Planning – Knoxville, Tennessee

A non-profit organization that works with a number of state and federal agencies on long-range planning for Tennessee's wilderness areas.

Tennessee Parks & Greenway Foundation – Nashville, Tennessee

Organization whose mission is to save Tennessee's natural treasures and then link them together with corridors of protected land.

Tennessee State Parks – Nashville, Tennessee

This state agency distributes information on the numerous activities and services offered by the Tennessee State Parks.

Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency – Nashville, Tennessee

A regulatory agency overseeing hunting, fishing and other outdoor programs in the State of Tennessee.

Town of Pittman Center – Sevierville, Tennessee

Town whose goal is to promote and preserve its natural heritage.

Turtle Mountain Herbs – Rockford, Tennessee

Specializes in herbal teas, salves and other products.

University of Tennessee/National Park Service – Smoky Mountain Field School – Knoxville, Tennessee

The Smoky Mountain Field School offers non-credit hikes, workshops, and adventures in Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

USA RAFT and Smoky Mountain River Rat – Hartford and Townsend, Tennessee

With 30+ years of experience, a rigorous raft guide training school and some of the best guides and gear on the river, USA Raft is the leading whitewater rafting outfitter in the region. Smoky Mountain River Rat offers river Tubing on the Little River. With two river trips, upper section and lower section, included in our one low price this is a must-do activity when in the Pigeon Forge area.

Whistle Stop Toys – Red Boiling Springs, Tennessee

Join Roy Henson as he makes and sells old time toys recalling the simpler times.

Wild Ones – Smoky Mountains Chapter – Kodak, Tennessee

Wild Ones is a national not-for-profit organization with local chapters that teaches about the many benefits of growing native wildflowers in people's yards.

Wildcrafting with Ila – Bryson City, North Carolina

Ila Hatter has delighted people for almost 30 years with her knowledge of plants and their folklore through her many books and DVDs.

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Wilderness Wildlife Week Photography Contest

A special photography exhibit featuring with categories including Youth, Amateur, Professional, Landscape/Seascapes, Wildlife, Nature's Wonders in Black & White and Manmade Landmarks of Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Wilderness Wildlife Week Themed Quilt Show

Organized by local quilters, this special quilt show showcases quilts with themes of wilderness, wildlife, heritage and the great outdoors.

Wildflowers of Tennessee – Tullahoma, Tennessee

Jack & Dot Carman are the publishers of this book, which serves as Tennessee's first color photographic field guide.

Wildland Trekking Company – Asheville, North Carolina

Business providing guided Great Smoky Mountains hiking and backpacking tours. Great Smoky Mountains tours are all-inclusive with expert Great Smoky Mountains guides, 5-star backcountry meals, and great service. A visit to the Great Smoky Mountains isn't complete without a hike into the backcountry of this spectacular landscape - come join us for an unforgettable hiking vacation in the Great Smoky Mountains!

Wildlife and Nature Photography by Clay Thurston – Knoxville, Tennessee

Be sure to stop by and visit with Clay and see the beauty of his majestic wildlife and nature photography.