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Macon County's Heritage comes

ALIVE...

through these FHAMC
sponsored projects:



**17th Annual Franklin Area
Folk Festival, "A Celebration
of Appalachian Heritage"**



August 19, 2023 10 am – 4 pm
Co-sponsored by FHAMC and
Cowe School Arts & Heritage Center
FranklinFolkFestival.com

Always the 3rd Saturday in August at Cowee!



**Women's History Trail Project
Walking in Her Steps & Sculpture Project**
A way to bring history to life as we celebrate
the lives of Macon County women and honor
their accomplishments.

4th Grade Heritage Days at Cowee

**Sponsor of special activities at
Cowe Christmas &
other Cowee School events**

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Purpose: To provide living
history experiences and to
preserve the heritage of
Macon County for
generations to come.

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Our Story - FHAMC

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Cowee School Arts & Heritage Center
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Scottish Tartans Museum

We welcome your participation.

The Folk Heritage Association of Macon County (FHAMC) is dedicated to preserving and sharing the culture and folkways of our Southern Appalachian Mountains. Unique and important lessons can be learned from the lives of those whose survival depended on industriousness and mutual support from their neighbors.

The founding members understood that with the increasing development and changing lifestyles in our county, this priceless heritage was in danger of being lost, simply by our indifference and neglect.

Margaret Ramsey, FHAMC's visionary and creator, believed that "In today's world, we are constantly amazed by the new technologies that make our lives easier; however, we must never forget the hard work and ingenuity of our forefathers that made these advances possible." By providing living history experiences through hands-on demonstrations, FHAMC strives to keep Macon County's heritage alive!

Our immediate goal was to develop a showcase for demonstrating the everyday skills, crafts, and music of our ancestors. With wide community support, the first Franklin Folk Festival was launched in 2004, and it has become one of the leading festivals in the region. Other FHAMC goals include partnering with like-minded groups to promote heritage preservation. FHAMC collaborates with Cowee School Arts & Heritage

Center to host the annual Franklin Area Folk Festival, sponsor 4th Grade Heritage Days, and provide other special activities at Cowee School. In 2016, FHAMC adopted the Women's History Trail "*Walking in Her Steps*" project, a designated path in downtown Franklin identified by bronze plaques that share stories about women who help shaped Macon County's history. Fundraising is underway for a monumental bronze sculpture, "Sowing the Seeds of the Future" depicting three early NC women. Please visit our website to find out more.

For more information, contact:
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