

The Local Authors' Corner at The Franklin Area Folk Festival

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Western NC is known for its beautiful mountain landscapes, bold streams and verdant valleys. Did you also know that many talented authors call this area home? For the first time, at this year's Franklin Area Folk Festival being held on August 17 from 10 - 4 at Cowee Arts & Heritage Center, we will be spotlighting several of these accomplished writers in our "Local Author's Corner". Located in the Library Room inside the school, authors have been given a presentation time where you might stop by and listen as they share their story ideas, make book purchases and get personalized autographs. Additionally, books will be available for purchase all day by the Macon County Historical Museum.

Below is the schedule for the "Local Author's Corner" presentations. Stop in and hear what these interesting authors have to share.

10:00 AM MATTHEW BAKER

10:30 AM MONICA COLLIER

11:00 AM BRENT MARTIN

11:30 AM GREGG CLARK

12:00 PM DEENA BOUKNIGHT

12:30 PM BARBARA McRAE

1:00 PM JIM SHOPE

1:30 PM LOTUS BRADLEY PLOTT

2:00 PM ANN MILLER WOODFORD

Also, Barbara Woodall will be participating in the event and will have her books available for purchase.

Come get a flavor of our heritage, culture, and folklore as you meet and greet local authors and spend the day engaging in the many living history demonstrations at the festival. Should you have any questions

with regard to this information or festival day in general, visit FranklinFolkFestival.com or contact Tina Bottomley (828) 421-2106, (leave a message, please) or Anne Hyder (828) 524-6564. The Franklin Area Folk Festival is co-sponsored by the Folk Heritage Association of Macon County and the Cowee School Arts & Heritage Center and is made possible by grants from the Franklin/Nantahala TDC and the Franklin TDA along with other financial support from businesses and individuals.