

**The Southwest Virginia Museum Historical State Park
Opens to the Public on Saturday, March 1st**

Regular admission fees apply. Please see "Hours and Admission" page in the calendar for more details.

**WiseJAMS Music Program
Every Thursday from February until May**

WiseJAMS is a music program for students in grades 4 through 8 that offers weekly lessons in guitar, banjo, and fiddle with supervised practice sessions every other Tuesday. WiseJAMS is made possible at the Southwest Virginia Museum through partnerships with Regional JAMS, The Crooked Road, town and county governments, and corporate as well as individual sponsors. *For more information, please contact Museum staff.*

**First Saturday Community Coffee House
Saturday, March 1st from 7pm to 9pm**

The First Saturday Community Coffee House is an open-mic event and is open to all family-friendly performers. All interested musicians, storytellers, and poets should arrive by 6:30pm for sign-up and scheduling. *Admission is free to this program. Refreshments will be available for purchase.*

**St. Patrick's Day Bash at the Southwest Virginia Museum
Saturday, March 15th from 6pm to 8pm**

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Southwest Virginia Museum with holiday-themed foods, a wine tasting with MountainRose Vineyard, and a special performance by "The O'Possum Playboys, featuring Ron Short." **Fee: \$20.00 per person; includes dinner and show. Purchases from MountainRose must be made separately. Alcoholic beverages are subject to all Virginia ABC laws and regulations. Drink Responsibly. All ages welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult. Event is limited to 44 participants. Registration and payment deadline is Friday, March 7th.**

**Area History "Bottled Up"
Rotating Exhibit—April through December**

Enjoy an assortment of bottles from the Museum's collection related to the history of our area. *Look for the exhibit in a library near you!*

**Southwest Virginia Museum Artisan Series
March 17th and April 21**

Enjoy a hands-on craft project with regional artisans on the third Monday

of every month from March until December. March: Bluebird Houses (adult/child). April: Green/Upcycling Craft (adult/child). *Please contact the park for registration and pricing information for these workshops.*

**17th Annual Quilt Show
April 1st through May 31st**

Quilting has long been a mainstay of Appalachian culture and heritage. Quilts from the Museum's collection and from the private collections of area residents will be on display throughout the Museum, offering an endless array of styles, patterns, and history. *Regular admission rates apply; guided tours for groups are available.*

**"College Night" Coffee House
Saturday, April 5th from 7pm to 9pm**

This special edition of the First Saturday Community Coffee House celebrates our region's young musicians, but as always, folks of all ages are encouraged to attend and perform at this open-mic event for family-friendly performers. All interested musicians, storytellers, and poets should arrive by 6:30pm for sign-up and scheduling. *Admission is free to this program. Refreshments will be available for purchase.*

**Adventures in History:
Wandering the Wilderness Bus Tour
Saturday, April 19th from 8am to 6:30pm**

Join us for this day-long excursion throughout Southwest Virginia. We'll travel from the Anderson Blockhouse to Cumberland Gap, stopping at important locations along the Wilderness Road. Dr. Lawrence Fleenor, Jr. will be our guide. Dr. Fleenor is the author of several books on Southwest Virginia history. Dr. Fleenor also serves as the Historian for the Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail Association. *The price per person is \$20. Participants may bring their own lunch or purchase a boxed lunch from the Museum for \$5. Seating is limited. Reservation and payment deadline is Friday, April 4th.*

**Friends of the Museum: Celebration of Spring
Earth Week, April 26th from 9am to 2pm**

Celebrate Spring, Stewardship VA, and Earth Day with programs and special events sure to appeal to your green thumb, including an annual plant sale, a yard sale fundraiser for the Friends of the Southwest Virginia Museum, workshops, and a volunteer landscaping project. Local growers and plant enthusiasts are invited to participate in the day's events.



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	Now's the time to renew your annual pass!					1 Museum <u>Opens</u> Coffee House 
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27	28 Museum Closed	29	30			

Don't forget to join us for the
"Gathering in the Gap"
Music Festival in May