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PIRATEFEST SET FOR APRIL 12th and 13th

A celebration of history, local arts and pirate entertainment!

GREENVILLE, NC –Swashbucklers of all ages will converge on the banks of the Tar River, a paradise located in Uptown Greenville, for the 13th annual PirateFest on April 12th and 13th, 2019.

PirateFest begins Friday, April 12th with a live music concert, Buccaneer Bash from 5 to 9 pm. On Saturday, April 13th, PirateFest begins at 11am. The celebration takes place along Evans from 5th to 1st Street and on the Town Common in the Uptown district.

PirateFest features fine arts and crafts for sale, three live music stages, a "grog garden," pirate entertainers, a Parade of Pirates, a Children's Pirate Costume Contest, and a Pirate Encampment offering crafts, inflatables for children, and other activities. Also, don't miss the Fossil Dig, as well as a variety of food and entertainment from around the world. Returning this year, pirates of all ages can enjoy carnival rides at Five Points Plaza!

"We invite everyone to get in touch with their inner pirate at Greenville's signature community event," said Bianca Shoneman, President of Uptown Greenville. "Piratefest offers topnotch entertainment and family-friendly activities throughout the weekend at one of the liveliest celebrations in the region!"

Artists, nonprofits, and food vendors are all invited to apply to participate! Additionally, festival attendees are invited to dress-up and walk in the Parade of Pirates. The walking parade kicks off at 12:00 pm and leaves from the Town Common. The Children's Costume Contest will follow the Parade at the Pirate Encampment.

Organized by Uptown Greenville, Pitt County Arts Council at Emerge, the City of Greenville, and the Greenville-Pitt County Convention & Visitors Bureau, PirateFest will showcase the best of region, from artists, to restaurants, to unique recreational activities. Visitors are invited to escape the ordinary, if only for a weekend!

If you are interested in attending, selling your wares as a vendor, participating in the fine art show, or sponsoring the event, visit www.piratefestnc.com or the following links:

PIRATEFEST SETS SAIL APRIL 12 - 13, 2019!

VENDOR APPLICATIONS RELEASED!

Early Deadline to apply is November 7, 2018 Final Deadline to apply is February 1, 2018

In order to maintain a quality festival vendors must re-apply every year.

ARTS & CRAFTS VENDORS-

View PirateFest rules, regulations, and application for arts and crafts vendors.

Click here to apply and pay your fees online!

FOOD VENDORS-

View PirateFest rules, regulations, and application for food vendors.

Click here to apply and pay your fees online!

All food vendors must complete <u>Temporary Food Service Vendor Application</u> (even if you are exempt from \$75 fee)

NON-PROFIT VENDORS-

View PirateFest rules, regulations, and application for Non-Profits.

Click here to Apply and pay your fees online!

ACTIVITY VENDORS-

View PirateFest rules, regulations, and application for Activity Vendors.

Click here to Apply and pay your fees online!

CAPTAIN'S MARKET VENDORS-

View PirateFest rules, regulations, and application for the Captain's Market.

Click here to Apply and pay your fees online!

Questions about vending?

Contact: Paula Rountree, Programs Director

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