

Roanoke Island Festival Park August, 2012 Events

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Roanoke Island Festival Park

August 1-31

Roanoke Island Festival Park is an interactive family attraction that celebrates the first English settlement in America. Visitors board and explore the park's centerpiece, a representational ship, *Elizabeth II*. Climb aboard and help costumed 16th century sailors. Try traditional woodworking, play Elizabethan games, and watch the blacksmith at the Settlement Site. Discover 400 years of Outer Banks history in the interactive Roanoke Adventure Museum. See *The Legend of Two-Path*, a mini-movie about Native Americans Manteo and Wanchese. Experience the new American Indian Town exhibit that includes a wide variety of true-to-scale structures, role-play environments, and places to explore, plant, dance, build and play. The Museum Store offers historically themed gift merchandise and much more. Enjoy the Fossil Pit full of treasures, and the marsh-side Boardwalks that surround the site. Admission. (252) 475-1500 or roanokeisland.com

Workboats and Watermen in the Civil War Exhibit

August 1- September 1

Roanoke Marshes Lighthouse

The Union occupation of the Outer Banks led to Union victories in Elizabeth City, New Bern and Morehead City. In order to access these coastal towns', mariners were met by shifting inlets, silt laden deltas, marshes, and swamps. The Union could not bring soldiers ashore and successfully attack without the regional workboats common to the outer and inner banks. Regional boats, captained by local pilots and watermen, were the bridges to how these stories unfold. As part of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War in North Carolina, Roanoke Island Festival Park highlights the objects and people who played an often overlooked, yet essential component of Civil War history. (252) 475-1500 or roanokeisland.com.

2nd Saturdays at RIFP

Carol Trotman/"Twenty Ways to Create a Successful Composition"

August 11- 1-3 p.m.

Art Gallery

Outer Banks watercolorist, Carol Trotman will offer a free workshop on Saturday, August 11, from 1-3 p.m. in the Art Gallery. The event is part of the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources Second Saturday initiative. Participants will join Trotman to study the art of composition and are asked to bring examples of their art for critiques, and pencil and pad for note taking. Trotman will present examples of her work and compositional skills in a hands-on demonstration. (252) 475-1500 or visit roanokeisland.com. Sponsored by the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources, 2nd Saturdays takes place at 37 State [Historic Sites](#) and museums on the second Saturday of the summer months. The more than 100 events across the state bring together history and authentic North Carolina culture. Each site will have its own stylized theme; and many sites will have artists and/or musicians. For a complete schedule of events, go to www.ncculture.com.

