

## **Roanoke Island Festival Park March 2012 Events**

### **MARCH**

#### **Roanoke Island Festival Park**

March 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 16<sup>th</sup> 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](http://roanokeisland.com)

#### **Workboats and Watermen in the Civil War Exhibit**

March 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 150<sup>th</sup> 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](http://roanokeisland.com). The exhibit hours will coincide with the opening hours of the Roanoke Marshes Lighthouse

#### **15th Annual Priceless Pieces Quilt Show**

March 2- March 24

Art Gallery

Meet-the Artist reception- March 2 6-8- p.m.

The annual showing of handcrafted quilts – old and new – featuring colors, designs and textures opens Friday, March 2 with a public reception from 6-8 p.m. It is on display through March 24, Monday- Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is free. Antique and new quilts will be on display. The collection is drawn from quilt makers or quilt owners attached to the Eastern, NC region. Sponsored by the Teacup Quilters, the exhibition features full-sized and mini quilts. Past shows have seen 80 or more examples of quilts ranging in date from the 19<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Traditional patterns are used on many quilts. Viewers witness deft design and color choices, quilting, embroidery and appliqué skills. Quilts also can sport themes such as nature and history.

The Teacup Quilters will be available weekdays beginning at 10 a.m. [roanokeisland.com](http://roanokeisland.com)  
(252) 475-1500.

#### **Western Carolina University Chamber Music**

March 9 at 7 p.m.

## Indoor Theatre

Join us for an evening of Chamber Music featuring students from Western Carolina University's School of Music. Works include Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 23 arranged for Wind Quintet and Piano. Also to help celebrate John William's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday, some of those great movie themes; Harry Potter, Star Wars, The Terminal, Sabrina, and others will be played. Tickets are \$10 adults and 6-12 years old- \$5. 5 and under are free. They may be purchased in advance at the Visitors Center or the night of the event. (252) 475-1500 or [roanokeisland.com](http://roanokeisland.com).

## **Western Carolina University Children's Show**

### **Brunhoff's tale of *Babar the Elephant***

March 10 at 10:30 a.m.

## Indoor Theatre

The Show is Jean de Brunhoff's tale of *Babar the Elephant* set for narrator and piano by Francis Poulenc, complete with pictures to illustrate the story. There will also be an Instrumental Petting Zoo. Children will be invited to come to the stage and meet the instruments up close-try and play a Bassoon or a Piccolo! Tickets are \$5 for adults and those 6-12. 5 and under are free. (252) 475-1500 or [roanokeisland.com](http://roanokeisland.com).

## **Priceless Pieces Quilt Show Vender Day**

March 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Art Gallery

The Teacup Quilters are busy greeting and working at the annual show which is on-going at Roanoke Island Festival Park through March 24. Hours are Monday- Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event is an added feature to the popular show and will feature displays and sales by local quilt and fabric suppliers. A scissor and knife sharpener will also be available. There is no admission charge. For more information call (252) 475-1500 or visit [roanokeisland.com](http://roanokeisland.com).

## **Western Carolina University Chamber Music**

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## **UNC Chapel Hill**

### **The Music of Jacques Offenbach**

March 17 at 2 and 7 p.m.

## Indoor Theatre

UNC Opera presents a delightfully effervescent program of operatic music by the prolific 19th c. French composer Jacques Offenbach. The production will open with "Lantern Marriage," a one-act opera filled with humorous misunderstandings (including a "catfight" embodied with flamboyant melismatic vocal flourishes- sung in French with English dialogue.) Fortunately, it all ends in romantic happiness with the promise of an impending marriage. Scenes from the well-loved "Tales of Hoffman" will follow, including the famous duet "Belle nuit" and the brilliant coloratura aria "The

Doll Song." The UNC Opera Director is Terry Ellen Rhodes. Pianists: Grace Lloyd and Emily Russ. Please join us for a delectable program. Tickets are \$10 adults and \$5 for those 6-12. 5 and under are free. (252) 475-1500 or roanokeisland.com.

### **RIFP Volunteer Orientation**

March 22 from 10 a.m. to noon

Indoor Theatre

A Volunteer Orientation will be held on Thursday, March 22, in the Indoor Theatre at Roanoke Island Festival Park from 10 a.m. to noon. A brief guided tour of the Park will be included of the various venues. Volunteer opportunities include costumed interpreters, greeters at special programs, gift shop associates, *Elizabeth II* volunteer crew members, distribution and more. Come join us at Roanoke Island Festival Park and help us foster and promote historic and cultural programs. Register at (252) 475-1500 Ext 229 or email at Kathleen.mclean@ncdcr.gov.

### **Girl Scouts of American- Manteo Amazing Race**

March 24 at 10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Indoor Theatre/ Pavilion

Grab your friends, your leaders or parents and make a team of 10 (8girls, 2 adults). Put on your walking shoes and sunscreen, fill up your water bottles and join us at the starting line. Race against teams from your own level as you discover the sites of Manteo, NC. Follow the clues and collect the most points, but keep your eyes open for detours and road blocks...it is all part of this amazing race! Registration- \$20 (includes shirt, admission fees, and supplies)

Min: 8 teams Max 8 teams per level (BR, JR, CD-AB)

Deadline to register: March 1, 2012

Questions? Content: Theresa Perry-support@gsgccc.org

### **Daisy Amazing Adventure**

March 24 - 10 a.m. to noon.

Indoor Theatre/ Pavilion

Daisies participate in their own adventure. They will be back in time to complete the NEW Explore Roanoke Island Festival Park Patch. To register 10 a.m. - noon

\$16- (includes admission, supplies, and patch) \$8 adults accompanying the girls

**Minimum:** 20 **Maximum:** 100. Registration **Deadline:** March 1, 2012

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### **Dare County Arts Council and Southern Circuit Tour of Independent Filmmakers Presents**

#### **A Gift for the Village**

March 24 at 7 p.m.

Indoor Theatre

Admission charged. For more information visit darearts.org/film-media.

