



13th Annual Historic Bluffton Arts and Seafood Festival

October 14 - 22, 2017
Where Fine Art & The Bounty of the Sea Come Together

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, October 14, 2017

CHALK THE WALK Live Street Art Competition 9:00AM - 4:00PM

Join us as a chalk artist at our inaugural competition. Entry fee is \$25 for the standard Promenade spaces and \$50 for the premium Calhoun Street spaces, due by October 6th. Spaces are limited so register early.

Chalk Artists receive a chalk space (concrete canvas), chalk art supplies, voting slip for People's Choice Award and the opportunity to enter our competition. Cash prizes.

Application and rules& regulations are available [HERE](#) or at the following locations: Sippin' Cow, Hilton Head Bluffton Chamber of Commerce office, SOBA gallery, Filling Station gallery, The Storybook Shoppe and The Bluffton Sun.

THE BLUFFTON HERITAGE DISCOVERY TOUR 11:00AM - 4:00PM

Kick off the Historic Bluffton Arts and Seafood Festival with a leisurely and fun journey through Bluffton's past. Begin your journey at the blue and gold tent on the corner of Calhoun and Lawrence Streets for a celebration of Lowcountry history and heritage. A special exhibit will be set up unfolding an untold story of the Reconstruction-era in the South.

Then take a tour using Celebrate Bluffton's "Bluffton Buddy" tour app, which will guide you throughout Bluffton with many stories of its rich history and heritage. Enjoy lunch and shopping along the way in any of our fine restaurants and shops.

There is no charge for this event. Enjoy!

(Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Bluffton Heritage Discovery Day previously planned itinerary has changed. If you purchased tickets to the previously scheduled events, you will receive a full refund.)

Sunday, October 15, 2017

FRIENDS OF BLUFFTON ARTISTS 6th ANNUAL INVITATIONAL LOCAL ARTIST SHOWCASE,

a celebration of exceptional handmade, original local art including oil and acrylic paintings, pottery and much, much more exhibited throughout our galleries; demonstrations by artists at many. Stroll Calhoun Street and see our state designated cultural district come alive!



11:00AM - 4:00PM
Showcase Artists

Musicians will entertain throughout the day along with Bluffton School of Dance performing at 1:00PM.

Stage 1:

11.00AM - 12.45PM Lee Tyler Post

1.15PM - 3.45PM Bull Dog Blues

Stage 2:

11.00AM - 1.00PM Acoustic Blue

1.30PM - 4.00PM Gary Byrd

Art Exhibits under the big tent, Music, Refreshments and More on Calhoun Street. Chalk the Walk Awards Ceremony at 3:00PM at the tent.

EMPTY BOWLS 12:00 NOON – 4:00PM Jacob Preston Pottery Studio 10 Church Street

Come and buy a bowl and have some homemade soup. All monies raised will go to Meals on Wheels, Second Helpings and Bluffton Community Soup Kitchen

BOAT PARADE ON THE MAY BLESSING OF THE FLEET

GOSPEL MUSIC CHURCH OF THE CROSS 4:00PM

Bring your lawn chair, view the Boat Parade and enjoy Gospel music by Lavon Stevens on the bluff or join the parade in your own boat. Make plans now to gather at the sandbar before 3:00 PM and process to the Church of the Cross following our Admiral of the Fleet, Collins Doughtie.

OYSTER FEST, 5:00 - 8:00PM, Bluffton Oyster Factory Park

First Oyster Roast of the Season, Shrimp Boil & BBQ, Live Music by MUDDY CREEK.

DAILY

KAYAK & PADDLE BOARD TOURS ON THE MAY RIVER, MONDAY - SATURDAY

There will be two tours available: an "early bird" tour at 8:00AM for \$20.00 and a 10:00AM tour for \$25.00 per person. Price includes kayak or paddle board and 1 1/2 hour tour around the May River. Anyone that has a kayak or paddle board and wants to "tag along" can do so for free. There is a 17 person maximum for each tour, so be sure and call 843-684-3296 for reservations.

MAY RIVER BOAT TOURS WITH MAY RIVER EXCURSIONS, MONDAY - SATURDAY

Join Capt. Chris and his crew for a one hour guided "Skiff" cruise on the May searching for local wildlife, discussing history and soaking up the tidal estuary air.

\$20/ per person...subject to availability. All trips leave on the hour every hour from the county dock at the end of Calhoun Street. Please call Capt. Chris for reservations and more information. 843-304-2878

Monday, October 16, 2017



DINNER & LEARN TOUR at Waddell Mariculture Center 5:00PM

21 Sawmill Creek Road, Bluffton

Reservations required. \$30/per person. Proceeds to Waddell Mariculture Center. To make your reservation please visit [ONLINE HERE](#) or call Mary at 843-815-2472 or 843-815-2474.

Join Al Stokes, Manager/Wildlife Biologist IV, as he presents what is happening at the Waddell Mariculture Center during the renovation process and tour the new lab. The presentation will be followed by a Crab-Pickin' and Oyster-Shuckin' Demonstration by the ladies of The Bluffton Oyster Company. Guests will benefit from the results of their hard work as a prelude to the Dinner Buffet. The buffet, catered by the Toomers, includes Gumbo 2 Ways (chicken and seafood), Caesar salad, cornbread, cookies and tea. Beer and wine will be available for purchase.

Tuesday, October 17, 2017

BLUFFTON JACK'S HAUNTED HISTORY TOUR, 6:00 PM AND 8:00PM. Please join us for a walking GHOST TOUR of historic Old Town Bluffton. Hear spooky Bluffton tales told by certified tour guide, Bluffton Jack. Comfortable walking shoes suggested; bring your own flashlight; rain or shine; children welcome (suggested ages 9 and up). Tours begin at The Complete Home, 41 B Calhoun Street. Refreshments served. \$18.00 ADULTS; \$10.00 CHILDREN. RESERVATIONS REQUIRED. CALL 843-717-2175.

Join The Storybook Shoppe at 41 A Calhoun Street prior to the 6:00 PM Haunted Tour for a Frightfully Fun evening of Spooky Stories at 5:00 PM.

Wednesday, October 18, 2017

AUTHOR NIGHT - "CELEBRATE THE RICH HISTORY & CULTURE OF THE LOWCOUNTRY"

through the art of nationally acclaimed West Fraser.

5:30PM Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and beverages provided by Southern Spice Catering and Events; 6:00PM Showtime, at the Rotary Community Center at Oscar Frazier Park (11 Recreation Court Bluffton SC 29910). Join us for an exciting evening with West Fraser as he shares his latest book, "Painting the Southern Coast", and his passion for capturing and celebrating not only the beauty of the area but the very spirit and soul of the coastal landscapes and waterways through his art. In addition, West will showcase his print of the Bluffton Oyster Factory Shuckers as he shares the mission of his parents' Sustainable Seafood Harvest Fund which directly benefits from the sale of these prints. Larry and Tina Toomer, owners of the Bluffton Oyster Company, will also be on board to share their insights of oystering in the Lowcountry and the stories of the very people that make it possible for us to enjoy these sweet and salty delights. Cost: \$15.00 donations accepted, proceeds to the Waddell Mariculture Center. Book and print sale and signing. Reservations required: sign up [ONLINE HERE](#) or call Mary at 843-815-2472 or 843-815-2474.



Thursday, October 19, 2017

AFTERNOON SIPPIN' AT RED THE RESTURANT & WINE BOUTIQUE 11:30AM - 4:00PM

Enjoy Chef Prosser's delicious Fresh Local Seared Shrimp & Crab Appetizer served over Haas Avocado, topped with fresh local Baby Heirloom Tomatoes & Herb Vinaigrette along with several 1oz wine samples. Choose from 32 different wines to sample with your \$10 Wine Card. Reservations only; call 843-368-7498. \$10 per person.

HISTORY AND HOPS! Guided tours of Bluffton's finest recently restored Historic homes.

\$10 per person, \$5 for students and children. The Garvin House and the Heyward House will be featured with guided tours from 2:00 - 6:00PM, every hour on the hour. The Heyward House will feature live, local music and Service Brewing Company will offer their Oktoberfest beer, Teufel Hunden, in tasting portions for \$3.00 throughout the event. Payments received at The Heyward House for tours and tasting.

Friday, October 20, 2017

RED APRON SIPS AND SEAFOOD PARTY 6:00PM - 10:00PM HAMPTON LAKE

Presented by Bluffton Self Help Celebrating 30 years of Service

Join us for a grand culinary celebration featuring celebrity award winning chefs and brothers, Matt and Ted Lee. The evening's menu will include the celebrity chef demonstration, Lowcountry dining and savory cocktails, along with live and silent auctions. Limited tickets and sponsorships are available and can be purchased online at sipsandseafood.com. All proceeds benefit Bluffton Self Help.

Saturday, October 21, 2017

OLD TOWN OYSTER10K ROAD RACE & 5K FUN RUN 8:00AM – 10:30AM

Presented by Hilton Head Regional Healthcare Coastal Carolina and Hilton Head Hospitals

Bluffton Oyster Factory Park. Join us for a run through Old Town Bluffton with scenic river and marsh views. Compete in a fast-paced 10K or complete the 5K with the entire family! Both events will be professionally chip timed. Awards presentation and After-Party immediately follows. Music, Corn Hole, Neck Massages, Coffee, Cold Beer, Oyster Shooters, May River Mimosas, and much, much more!



CHILDREN'S FISHING TOURNAMENT, BLUFFTON OYSTER CO. 10:00AM –12:30PM
Take a Kid Fishing Tournament sponsored by Tom Bulcock, The SC Home Pro, and Bluffton Marine Sports and Supplies and managed by the Bluffton Chapter of Coastal Conservation Association

Register between 10:00 - 10:30AM at The Bluffton Oyster Company. Weigh-In at 12:30PM at the Bluffton Oyster Company. Children 13 and under welcome with parents. There is no fee. Prizes will be awarded. Bring your own fishing equipment if possible; limited equipment will be available on a first come first serve basis. To pre-register call Tom at 912-210-1222 or Bryan at 843-540-2895.

ART & SEAFOOD STREET FEST 10:00AM – 5:00PM

HISTORIC DISTRICT BLUFFTON FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

Enjoy our juried art show featuring over 100 local and regional artists from 10 different states, displaying an array of fine art: oils, pastels, acrylics, photography, pottery, ceramics, water color and much, much more. Local seafood and low country cuisine served by area restaurants. Cherish our Waterways and Low Country Environmental Exhibits. History of Bluffton at The Heyward House Museum and Welcome Center.

MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT Presented by Mike Reichenbach Chevrolet
Favorite bands will entertain on three stages throughout the day.

Main stage:

10.00AM - 12.20PM Keystone Postcard
12.45Pm - 2.30PM Julie Gribble
3.00PM - 5.00PM Spike Ivory

Stage 2:

10.00AM - 11.30AM Tammy Leigh
12.00PM - 2.30PM Lee Tyler Post
2.45PM - 5.00PM Craig Coyne

Stage 3:

10.00AM - 12.15PM Gino Fanelli
12.45PM - 2.15PM Alan Stockard
2.30PM - 5.00PM La Bodega Light

ART IN THE PARK 11:00AM – 4:00PM DuBois Park on Boundary Street
Presented by Sea Smiles Pediatric Dentistry

Children's art activities under the pavilion will be conducted by May River Montessori as part of their 30 year anniversary celebration. Visit the stations around the pavilion and create your very own masterpiece. Prizes, games, pirates, fun and much, much more for the budding artists of all ages.

Family oriented magic show with Gary Maurer 1:00PM

ROCKIN' ON THE DOCK 6:00PM - DUSK BLUFFTON OYSTER CO.

Presented by Vaux Marscher Berglind PA Law Firm



Seafood Extravaganza Tasting
Live music by PACHANGA
Fireworks at Dusk

End the full day of activities with a grand finale.
Eat great local seafood and watch the fireworks for a night to remember!

Sunday, October 22, 2017

PADDLE BATTLE BLUFFTON 10:00AM - 1:00PM Bluffton Oyster Factory Park
Presented by Beaufort Memorial Hospital

Bluffton's premier paddle sports race is on! The "Paddle Battle" will consist of a 3 mile recreational or 6 mile elite Open Race followed afterwards by a separate kids' sprint race. The Paddle Battle Open race will have divisions for SUPs (Stand Up Paddle Boards), Kayaks and Canoes.

The Entry Fee for the 3 or 6 mile open race is \$40.00. On-site registration, participant check-in and board drop off will open at 10:00am. Pre-race meeting will be at 11:30am and the race will start promptly at 12 noon. Awards will be given.

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10:00AM Bluffton School of Dance

11.00AM - 1.15PM Howard Paul

1.45PM - 4.00PM Pinckney Island Boys

Stage 2:

11.00AM - 1.00PM Angela Easterling

1.30PM - 4.00PM Jeff Merrill

Stage 3:

11.00AM - 1.15PM John Emil

1.45PM - 4.00PM The Nice Guys

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No Parking in Downtown Bluffton on Saturday, the 21st, and Sunday, the 22nd.
Free Shuttles provided by our sponsor, Old Town Trolley Tours, from Red Cedar Elementary (Bluffton Parkway to Red Cedar Street).
Saturday, 10/21: 10:00AM - 9:00PM
Sunday, 10/22: 10:00AM - 5:00PM
For more information 843-757-BLUF (2583)

