

Buskers Fest More Info:

Watauga Arts Council is excited to announce our first ever Buskers Fest!

What is a "busker" you ask? A busker is someone who performs in a public space for donations.

Join us on October 1st, 2021

First Friday Art Crawl like no other!

5pm - 8pm

We seek to offer a Covid-safe way to celebrate **our diverse creative community**. We plan to place artists of all kinds: musicians, street performers, visual artists, etc. in strategic places from Turchin Center and Public Library all the way down to Ransom. Residents and visitors can explore the streets of downtown Boone and enjoy a rich experience that creators provide.

[Register Today!](#) (or on our website: Artist Opportunities)

This is an excellent chance to showcase your skills and promote yourself while contributing to a celebration of the arts.

More Details:

- Artists need to get paid for their expertise! We are offering to pay artists/performers for their time on this fun evening. Unaffiliated artists, performers, or bands could receive a payment of \$40 per person or \$100 for a group of three or more, while funding lasts. We would expect you to perform from 5:30-7:30. We would love for artists to be on the street from 5-8.
- Groups such as dance studios will not have to perform the entire time if they wanted to split time with other groups at a larger area like Jones House.
- All groups and artists will have a sign that will offer a way to receive virtual tips to your personal accounts. Vessels to receive cash tips are allowed as well.
- We will provide a sign for each artist/musician/performer so they can tell who they are, where to find them, and also receive virtual tips.
- We will provide face masks and shields to any of our participants.
- Groups, studios, performing arts groups are welcome.
- Individuals and bands are welcome.

Registrants will receive more information about check in the week of the fest.

Art Instrumental Silent Auction:

We will use this unique opportunity to do our silent auction for our [Art Instrumental Public Arts Installment](#). We will bring all the instruments that have been in King Street Shops over the summer into one place for people to view and bid on. Proceeds of the silent auction will be used to pay the artist who created them and to start our new Public Arts Fund.