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Union County Selected to Host 2026 South Carolina Humanities Festival

Union County, SC — South Carolina Humanities is pleased to announce that the 2026 South Carolina Humanities Festival will be held in Union County from Thursday, June 4 through Saturday, June 13, 2026, in partnership with Union County Tourism.

The annual festival brings together communities from across the state to celebrate local history, culture, and storytelling through engaging and educational programming. The 2026 festival will offer immersive experiences rooted in the identity and heritage of Union County, highlighting the stories, people, and traditions that define our community.

Attendees can look forward to a diverse lineup of events, including live music, historical lectures, cultural exhibits, interactive workshops, and other community events. Programming is designed to be accessible and engaging for residents and visitors of all ages.

Festival highlights will include:

- **Thursday Night Live Concert Series** featuring Graham Guy at The Depot from 6:30-8:30PM on Thursday, June 4th. Sponsored by the Union County Chamber of Commerce.
- **Union County SC Humanities Festival Drop-In** hosted by Union County Tourism from 5-7PM on Friday, June 5th.
- **Live Healthy Union Mental & Physical Health Day** at the Farm & Craft Market from 8AM-12PM on Saturday, June 6th.
- **A "Travel Through Time Mocktail Party"** hosted by the Friends of the Library at the Union County Carnegie Library from 5-7PM on Friday, June 12th.
- **6th Annual JUNETEENTH Remembrance & Celebration** hosted by the Union County Community Remembrance Project (UCCRP) at Main Street Junction from 1-5PM on Saturday, June 13th

Community organizations, cultural groups, and local partners are invited to participate in the festival by hosting programs or collaborating on events that highlight Union County's history,

culture, music and community stories. Those interested in getting involved are encouraged to contact Timika Wilson**,** UCSHF Project Manager, at **timika.m.wilson@gmail.com** for more information. Current partners include Union County Tourism, Union County Chamber of Commerce, Union County Community Remembrance Project, Union County Library System, Friends of the Union Library, Rose Hill Plantation State Historic Site, Live Healthy Union, Union County Arts Council, Piedmont Physic Garden, Hereford Hills Ranch, Love Thy Neighbor, Quan Farr (Father Daughter Dance), Tipsy Running, LLC and Preservation South Carolina.

Residents and visitors alike are encouraged to attend events throughout the week and take part in this unique opportunity to experience the rich heritage and vibrant culture of Union County.

Additional festival details, including a full schedule of events and featured participants, will be announced in the coming weeks. Union County extends its sincere appreciation to South Carolina Humanities for its continued support and investment in communities across the state. Through initiatives like the Humanities Festival, South Carolina Humanities helps make meaningful cultural programming accessible while uplifting local voices and stories. Visit **https://schumanities.org/2026-sc-humanities-festival-in-union-county/** for more information. Search **#UnionCountySCHumanitiesFestival** on Facebook and all social media to see all participating events.

Save the dates and join us June 4–13, 2026, for a celebration of history, culture, music, and community in Union County!

About South Carolina Humanities
South Carolina Humanities (SC Humanities) uplifts the stories of South Carolina—past, present, and future—to foster understanding, spark dialogue, and strengthen communities statewide. Guided by a vision of an informed, connected, and engaged South Carolina, SC Humanities increases public understanding of and support for cultural humanities through educational programming and advocacy. SC Humanities is a state nonprofit organization that presents and supports literary initiatives, lectures, exhibits, festivals, oral history projects, and other humanities-based programs throughout South Carolina. SC Humanities receives support from the National Endowment for the Humanities as well as corporate, foundation, and individual donors.

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