

ARTISTS WALK

An invitational arts festival, Spring into Arts features contemporary crafters and fine artists from around the states of North and South Carolina. You will be able to purchase pottery and clay creations, jewelry, metal work, wood turning and two-dimensional paintings.

MUSIC STAGE

Enjoy musical entertainment throughout the day featuring the following diverse groups:

Thistledown Tinkers – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Thistledown Tinkers, the powerful music duo featuring Trip Rogers and Tom Eure, are seasoned music veterans from NC, who weave traditional Scottish and Irish music with original creations while adding a southern swagger that sets the stage on fire. This is the kind of music that makes you sing along and stomp your feet.

Robin Rogers – 1:00: p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Robin's music is a showcase of stylistic variety and passionate vocal intensity, from the rolling rhythm & blues title track to the jazzy "Nobody Stays", to the soulful groove of "Nobody's Gonna Hurt You." Robin's most powerful composition is "Color-Blind Angel", a moving account of the life and death of white civil rights worker Viola Liuzzo, who was assassinated by the KKK in 1965.

Freeport Jazz – 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Freeport Jazz brings the New York/Philadelphia jazz feel to the South. They have players and instrumentation that provides a unique sound. Doing this has created a very full and flexible sound allowing Freeport to play all types of jazz. This is evident by the numerous instruments on stage including three keyboards, multiple saxes (Alto, Tenor, Soprano), flute, drums, guitar and basses. They offer a combination of Smooth Jazz, Contemporary Jazz, and Jazz Standards.

KIDS ZONE

The Kids Zone will feature arts and play activities geared toward children. Children will be able to turn a top, listen to professional storytellers, see free performances by child actors, become an artist, and enjoy other activities. All of these activities are FREE.

GOURMET LANE

A number of food vendors who will have fabulous food featuring delicious and creative cuisine, as well as "kid friendly" treats, will be available on "Gourmet Lane". You can dine on the lawn of the historic 1876 Cabarrus County Courthouse as you enjoy the entertainers on the stage located nearby.

PAINT OUT

The Paint Out will be open to artists working in all painting and drawing mediums. Multiple pieces of artwork may be submitted, as long as each piece is produced during the Spring into Arts event on May 2nd, between 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Cash prizes will be awarded at 4:30 p.m. Preregistration fee is \$25 if fee is paid by April 24. After that date the fee is \$35.