



eNews

Supporting sustainable agriculture in the Southern Appalachians through educational programs and outreach.

Second Annual True Nature Country Fair September 26-28

Announcing our second annual!

A beautiful setting, workshops and demos for adults, fun activities for kids, great music and more - it's all a celebration of life in connection with the Earth.

Just \$5 per day and \$3 for kids.

Bring your friends, family, neighbors, the kids, and grandma for the second annual True Nature Country Fair. Vendors of local, organic, and sustainable products and resources from throughout the southern Appalachians, workshops on all facets of sustainable living, a children's program and live music, all in a pristine mountain setting at the Deerfields retreat in Mills River, North Carolina.

A weekend-long event, the daily entrance fees are \$5 for adults, \$3 for children ages 3-12, free for children 2 years and younger. Gates open at 10 am and close at 6 pm daily.

[Visit our website for full details](#)

Art Contest

Would you like to see your artwork show up in the most amazing places: the best store windows, the best newsprint, the best mailboxes and worn by the best folks in

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Welcome Avery Cash McKissick

town? Here your chance!

Each year a different work is chosen to represent the fair. The piece selected is used on the poster, in advertising and on our merchandise. Think of the exposure! In addition, the winning artist receives \$500.

Please submit original artwork by April 20, 2008 to: True Nature Country Fair, PO Box ???, Asheville, NC 2880?. The winning submission will become the property of the True Nature Country Fair. All other submissions will be returned by June 10, 2008. Inquiries may be directed to Karen Vizzina at 828.342.1849 or karen@organicgrowersschool.org .

[See last year's poster at our website](#)

Exhibitor Sign-Up

Interested in being an exhibitor? We are holding a beautiful space for you.

Types of exhibitors sought for the fair:

- Craft artists: 'homestead' type crafts and items produced using local, sustainably gathered materials. Craft artists are also encouraged to demonstrate.
- Local businesses that feature products that support sustainable living, including grocers, builders, textiles, herbal medicines, etc
- Social, political, and environmental action groups, working to maintain the quality of life in our region
- Farmers practicing sustainable agricultural and animal husbandry methods
- Health and healing practitioners: offering samples and healing sessions.

Many of our Spring Conference attendees were sure that the baby would be born during the conference! Thankfully, Meredith was able to rest up for a week and only had five hours of active labor. Avery Cash McKissick was born on March 15, 2008 at 1:29 am, weighing in at 6lbs 9oz and was 19 inches long. All is well

The OGS Growth Partners

The Organic Growers School, Inc. receives ongoing support from its major donors: The Beattie Foundation, Carolina Farm Credit, Earth Fare and Greenlife Grocery.

2009 OGS Spring Conference

Don't miss our 16th Annual OGS Spring Conference

March 2009 Blue Ridge Community College

Mark your calendars and make plans to attend. We'll notify you of the details as we move closer to the date.

Links

- Food vendors that focus on local and organic ingredients

Anyone interested in participating in the fair as a vendor/exhibitor, should contact Program Manager Karen Vizzina at 828.342.1849 or email her at the following link.


[Email Karen Vizzina](#)

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