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Down East Folk Arts Festival Storytelling Contest and Workshop

Part of the **Down East Folk Arts Festival** for 2017 will focus on storytelling. The festival will be the week end of March 24-26, 2017. In addition to storytelling, there will be a variety of displays, artisan demonstrations, workshops for all ages, dancing, drumming, and lots of great music.

Writers of all ages are invited to submit an original, unpublished story. It may be fiction or nonfiction. Categories will be (1) Prose – Adult, (2) Prose – Youth (Under 18), (3) Poetry – Adult, and (4) Poetry – Youth (Under 18).

Authors can submit a complete work. The word count is limited to 2,500. The story must be capable of being told aloud in 10 minutes or less. We request that entries be accompanied by a visual representation which can be a handwritten paragraph, an illustration, or a photograph. The deadline for entries is Friday, February 24, 2017.

All entries will be included in a story display at the Bank of the Arts during the **Down East Folk Arts Festival**. The Bank of the Arts is located at 317 Middle St., New Bern, NC.

Winners will be invited to tell their stories during the **Down East Folk Arts Festival** starting at noon at the Bank of the Arts on Saturday, March 25, 2017. First and second places will be awarded in each category. Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the storytelling session.

Fee per entry (nonrefundable): \$10 Payable to Down East Folk Arts Society.

Download an entry form: Visit www.downeastfolkarts.org or pick one up at the Bank of the Arts.

Send entries and checks to: Down East Folk Arts Society, 1410 Spencer Ave, New Bern, NC 28560

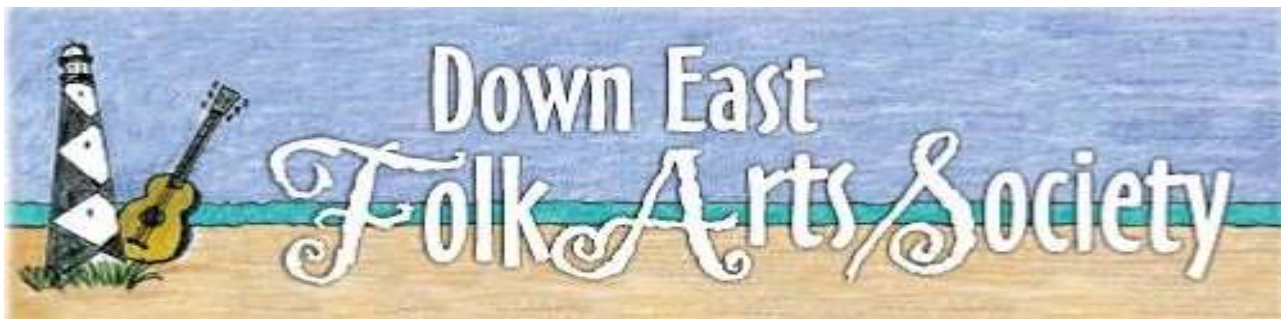
For more information, call: Down East Folk Arts Society at (252) 633-6444 or visit us on the web at www.downeastfolkarts.org.

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Storytelling is the social and cultural activity of sharing stories, often with improvisation, theatrics, or some other embellishment. Every culture around the globe has had a tradition of story-tellers, a way of capturing, recording and passing down their lore, their myths, even their genealogies. Stories or narratives have been shared in every culture as a means of entertainment, education, cultural preservation, instilling moral values, or as a means for sharing and interpreting experiences.

Down East Folk Arts Festival

Storytelling Workshop

Saturday, March 25, 2017, 10:00 am 'til 11:30 am

Stanly Hall Ballroom, upstairs at 249 Craven St., New Bern, NC 28560

The workshop will be led by **Rodney Kemp**, Morehead City's raconteur extraordinaire. "Most everyone is waiting to laugh or cry, and I like my stories to do one of the two," says Kemp. "We can get the punchlines, but we need to create the stories." This gives you a sense of what this workshop will be about.

"Kemp is what old-timers in Morehead City call a 'fish house liar, delivering dozens of time-worn, history-based stories that actually contain many truths."

- **Our State** Magazine, August 2004

Pre-registration for the workshop is \$10. Registration at the door will be \$15.

Pre-register by mailing this form or by sending email to folkartsenc@gmail.com. Send your registration fee with this form, or use Pay Pal at www.downeastfolkarts.org.

Storytelling Workshop Registration

March 25, 2017

Fees: Before March 25: \$10

March 25 Walk-in: \$15

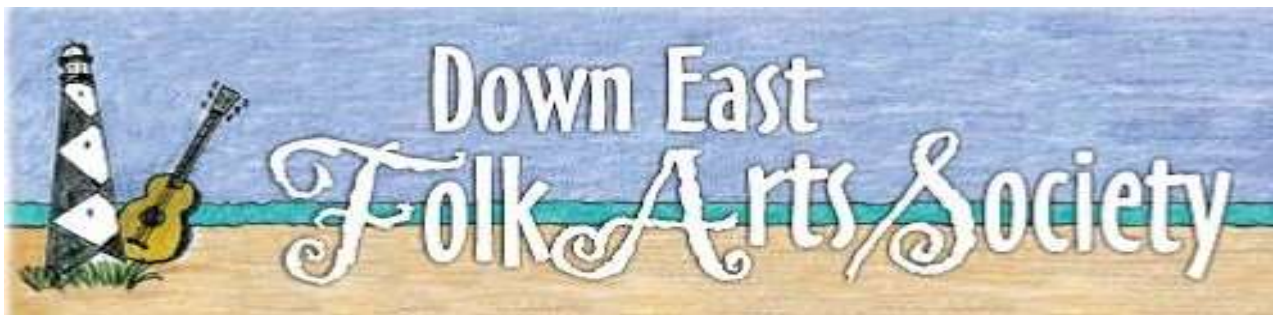
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Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____



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Storytelling Contest Guidelines

Writing Categories: Be sure to circle the proper category on your entry form.

(1) Prose - Adult

(3) Poetry - Adult

(2) Prose - Youth (under 18)

(4) Poetry - Youth (under 18)

Length: 2,500 words
Story must be able to be told aloud in 10 minutes or less.

Deadline: February 24, 2017

Entry Fee: \$10 per submission

Format: Double spaced, 12 point typeface printed on one side of white paper. Pages must be numbered, and total word count should be on the first page.

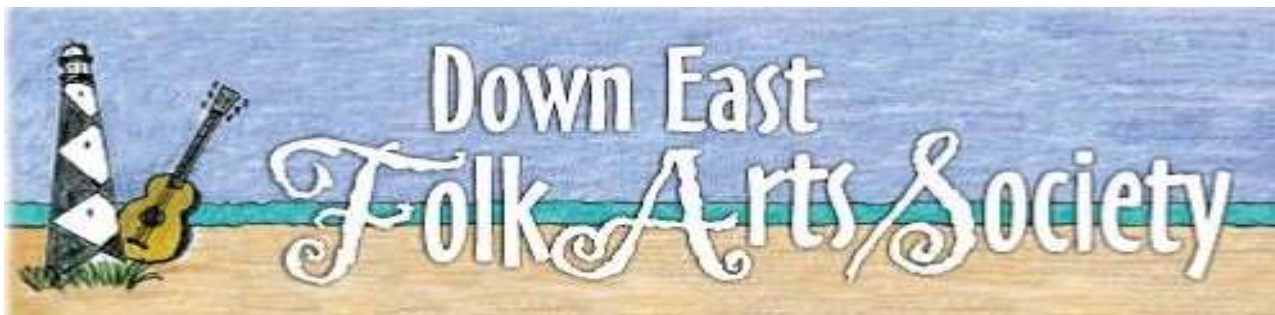
Prizes: Certificates with cash prizes will be awarded.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

All entries will be part of a display of stories at Bank of the Arts, 317 Middle St., New Bern, NC during the Down East Folk Arts Festival, 24-25 March, 2017. Winners will be invited to the Down East Folk Arts Festival to tell their stories at the Bank of the Arts in downtown New Bern on Saturday, March 25, 2017.

A completed application MUST accompany your work. DO NOT put your name, address, telephone number or any other type of identification on your submitted work. We will identify your submission by your application; this is because judging is based on the quality of the writing and anonymity is essential for unbiased results. Entries may be submitted by email to folkartsenc@gmail.com. We request that your entry be accompanied by a visual representation which can be a handwritten paragraph from your story, or an illustration, or a photo, and it may be sent as an attachment to your email entry. Please specify "Storytelling Contest" with your last name in the subject line. Please then put 2 copies in the mail or drop it by Down East Folk Arts Society, 1410 Spencer Ave. New Bern, NC 28560.

Youth (Under 18) Applicants: Be sure to include the name of your school and have your teacher and a parent sign your application.



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Down East Folk Arts Festival 2017 Storytelling Contest Application

Please Circle a Category (Fill out a separate application if you are submitting for more than one category or more than one entry.)

(1) Prose – Adult

(3) Poetry – Adult

(2) Prose – Youth (under 18)

(4) Poetry – Youth (under 18)

Date Submitted: _____ Name of Story: _____

Author's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail: _____

Have you been previously published? YES NO

\$10 per submission: _____ Make check payable, and send to, Down East Folk Arts Society, 1410 Spencer Ave., New Bern, NC 28560. All fees are non-refundable.

Youth (under 18) ONLY - Grades 9-12 - Name of School: _____

Teacher's Signature: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

PLEASE READ: As the author of the submitted entry, I attest that the following is true and correct:

1. I am the sole author of the submitted work and have exclusive rights and authority to submit them. The entry has never been published. Down East Folk Arts Society will not publish my submission or any part of it without my prior oral or written permission. There may be a visual accompaniment with my entry.
2. I have retained a copy of my entry and release Down East Folk Arts Society from liability for loss or damage to copies of submitted material. I understand that the entry will not be returned to me. I have enclosed 2 copies of my entry with this application. Neither my name nor address appears on any page of the submitted material. I have put a total word count on the first page.
3. I understand the contest judges' decisions are final. If I win, I will cooperate fully with any requests from Down East Folk Arts Society, including an invitation to tell my story at the Down East Folk Arts Festival at the Bank of the Arts in downtown New Bern, NC, on Saturday, March 25, 2017.