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The Art of Being YOU!

Did you know there is an art to being you? No one else in the world can do it quite the same. That makes you a one-of-a-kind masterpiece! How would you express you? Would you dance if you were happy? Would you sing if you were blue? Would you paint if you were angry? Would you draw if you were two? (OK, I'm not a poet, but maybe you are). Compose a song, draw a picture or paint your happy place! Share the art of YOU!



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Performing Arts in America's Hometown

Greater Fayetteville is home to a vibrant arts community. We enjoy a wide variety of performing arts through drama at the Gilbert Theatre on Bow Street, musicals by the Cape Fear Regional Theatre, improvisational comedy at That ImprovShow!, concerts by the Fayetteville SymphonyOrchestra, live musicat Fayetteville After Five, and a monthly arts festival called "The Arts Council's Fourth Friday". The Crown Coliseum Complex features concerts, ballet, theatre, and professionalsportseventssuchashockeyandindoorarenafootball.FayettevilleStateUniversityalsohostsmanyartists and speakers known across America. Learn more by going to www.VisitFayettevilleNC.com, or call 1-888-NC-CHARM.

Marquis de Lafayette Statue

Park in downtown Fayetteville.



5400 Ramsey Street



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The Market House

The Market House is a national landmark in downtown Fayetteville. For more than a century, starting in 1832, it was a center for government and commerce. Upstairs were offices. Downstairs, meats and vegetables were sold. The Market House has many stories to tell, both good and bad. For example, slaves were once sold there, but it's also the site where the University of North Carolina was chartered, and where the United States Constitution was ratified.



African American History

GreaterFayetteville's African American population has a lengthy and diverse history. Even while there were slaves working some of the farms in this area, there was a sizeable population of free blacks working at various trades, such as shoemaking, barbering, and blacksmithing. Today, there are several events and organizations which celebrate Black heritage and African American culture. The Sankofa Festival is held each fall in Spring Lake by the Sandhills Family Heritage Association. At the festival, you can enjoy music, Southern style food, children's games, Black Heritage exhibits, steppers, storytellers, and a King and Queen Sankofa contest. The Umoja festival, celebrating unity, is held in late summer near Fayetteville State University. Fayetteville State University is a Historically Black University, and has eventsthroughouttheyearfeaturingprominentAfrican Americans.Formoreinformation on African American historyinourarea,gotowww.VisitFayettevilleNC.com, or call 910-483-5311.





History All Around

The Museum of the Cape Fear Historical Complex tells the history of our community, from Native Americans through the early 1900s. Our area had many mills, a strong turpentine and pitch industry, and was a major hub for transporting goods to and from the coast. Before Fort Bragg, the military was already a big part of Fayetteville. Construction on the Arsenal began in 1838 to store weapons for the United States Army. When the Civil War began, the Arsenal was used to make weapons for the Confederate Army. It was destroyed by General Sherman when he marched on Fayetteville in 1865. The ruins can be seen at the Museum of the Cape Fear Historical Complex. It is now an active archaeological site, and is marked on the North Carolina Civil War Trail.





The home of the Airborne and Special Operations Forces provides families with unique and thrilling events. MWR offers camping at Smith Lake, horseback riding at the stables, ice skating at Cleland Ice Rink, exciting rides at the fairs, and the latest in music at our outdoor concerts.

MWR restaurants and clubs offer a variety of menu selections to satisfy any craving, from a hamburger at one of the bowling centers or golf courses to pizza at Sports USA. Visit McKellar's Lodge for their famous barbeque, try a specialty coffee at one of our Rituals Coffee Café's, or grab a home-style lunch at Iron Mike's Brew Pub.



Morale, Welfare and Recreation at Fort Bragg!



Fayetteville's Scottish Heritage

In the mid-1700s, people from Scotland wanted a better life. They sailed across the ocean and moved to our area. The Scots chartered a small village called Campbellton in 1762. During the Revolutionary War, many Scots were loyal to England. Flora MacDonald is one local heroine who is known for her support of the loyalists. Today, the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry (FILI) is one group that uses traditional Scottish clothing in its ceremonies. FILI is also the oldest militia unit in continuous existence in the South.

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Amazing Wildlife

In the springtime, Fayetteville's landscape comestolife with dogwoods, azale as and other pretty trees and flowers. You can see the area's beauty by visiting our many gardens, parks, and trails. The Cape Fear Botanical Garden has many beautiful gardens to enjoy. Clark Park has well-marked nature trails, and connects with the Cape Fear River Trail, a paved trail that runs along the Cape Fear River. The brand-new All American Trail is currently 7 miles of rugged hiking trail through the longleaf pine forest on the western side of

Cumberland County. In the next few years, it will gradually become nearly 70 miles long.





Babe Ruth Hits a Home Run

years old. Because he was so young, the other players teased him and called him "Babe." From then on, he was known as Babe Ruth. While staying in Fayetteville, Babe Ruth pedaled his first bicycle and rode in his first elevator.





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Our community has a long history of different transportation styles. Long ago, people would just walk, or travel the river by canoe. Later, people would hitch up horses to wagons, and travel along roads made of wooden planks. They could travel the river on a steamboat, or cross the country by train. Now, people can travel to different places by train, plane, automobile, bus, boat, and space shuttle. The Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Train Depot has been turned into the Fayetteville Area Transportation Museum, on the corner of Ray Avenue and Franklin Street. Come see the many fun exhibits – for free! Call 910-433-1457, or stop by 10am-4pm Tuesday – Saturday.



Evans Metropolitan AME Zion Church

Fayetteville's churches are known for their history and architecture. For example, in the 1790's Henry Evans came to Fayetteville to preach. He was an African-American freeman and a shoemaker. People of all races liked his preaching so much that they worshipped at the church together. That long ago, it was unusual for people of different races to go to church together. Other churches with interesting histories or architectures include: • First Presbyterian Church – chandeliers that once burned whale oil.

> • St. John's Episcopal Church – beautiful stained glass windows that were made in Germany. They were shipped by ox cart from New York.

• St. Joseph's Episcopal Church – five church windows which were made by Tiffany of New York.

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