

## CULTURAL/RECREATIONAL EVENTS AND FACILITIES

**Ackland and Hanes Art Museums** -- exhibitions of works by faculty and students can be found at the Hanes Museum while the Ackland features a diverse collection that spans the ages from ancient Rome and Greece to the present. S. Columbia Street at E. Franklin Street. 966-5736, [www.ackland.org](http://www.ackland.org).

**All-Tel Pavilion** -- contemporary concerts are enjoyed at the Walnut Creek Amphitheater in Raleigh. Everything from rock, alternative, pop, country, jazz, classical gospel and rhythm and blues is featured. Jimmy Buffett, Whitney Houston, Reba McEntire, Rod Stewart, Clint Black, Lillapalooza, Elton John, Hammer, Van Halen, Michael Bolton, Andrew Lloyd Weber, Paul Simon, Sting, Wynonna are just a few of the superstars featured.

**American Dance Festival** -- one of the world's greatest dance festivals (New York Post). The annual 6-week performance season in Durham is a premier event in the Triangle and in the world. All prominent modern dance figures and companies are at some time associated with this festival. 684-6402, [www.americandancefestival.org](http://www.americandancefestival.org).

**ArtsCenter (for performing and visual arts)** -- founded in 1974, The Arts Center of Carrboro is a 21,000 square foot cultural arts center with a wide range of classes. Concerts and programs are offered in the Center's 300-seat theater, 6 classrooms, several studios, and gallery. For general information call 929-2787; Box Office 929-2787.

**Cane Creek Reservoir** -- 540 acres in size with 3 billion gallons of water storage and 31 square miles of watershed. Open Thursday, Friday and Saturdays 6:30am to 6pm and on Sundays 1pm to 6pm. Offering picnicking, boating and fishing, it is located off Highway 54 West, 10 miles west of Carrboro. Tours of the lake are available on a pontoon boat by calling Orange Water & Sewer Authority at 968-4421, Ext. 275. For other information, call the Warden's Office at 942-5790.

**The Carolina Theatre** -- located at 309 W. Morgan Street, Durham. Lovingly restored 1926 performance hall for jazz musicians, dance ensembles, comedians, animal acts and more. 919-560-3030, [www.carolinatheatre.org](http://www.carolinatheatre.org).

**Carrboro Farmer's Market** -- Carrboro has the region's best farmer's market, mid-March to late-December on Saturday mornings 7am to Noon and Wednesdays 5pm to 7pm, next to Carrboro Town Hall.

**Carrboro Public Library** -- located in McDougle Middle School at 900 Old Fayetteville Road, 969-3006. Visit their website: [www.ci.carrboro.nc.us/townwide/library.htm](http://www.ci.carrboro.nc.us/townwide/library.htm)

**Carrboro Senior Center** -- located at 300 E. Main Street, Carrboro, 968-2075.

**Chapel Hill Public Library** -- located at 100 Library Drive, 968-2777. Visit their website: [www.townhall.townofchapelhill.org/library/](http://www.townhall.townofchapelhill.org/library/)

**Chapel Hill Museum** -- home of the Chapel Hill Historical Society, located at 523 E. Franklin Street, 929-1400.

**Chapel Hill Senior Center** -- located in The Galleria at 400 S. Elliott Road, 968-2070.

**Collegiate Sports** -- in this area sports command a high level of interest. UNC, Duke and NC State have all produced national champions in the NCAA. UNC's basketball team (the "Tarheels") play in the finest arena in the area, The Dean E Smith Student Activities Center, known by everyone as "The Dean Dome." There is not a bad seat in the 21,572 seat facility. The Dean Dome is truly state-of-the-art and a true monument to the finest coach ever to grace the sidelines of basketball. UNC Football at Kenan Stadium's 52,000-seat facility, under the leadership of Coach John Bunting, provides an exciting way to spend a beautiful fall afternoon under Carolina blue skies. Duke (Wallace Wade Stadium), and NC State (Carter-Finley Stadium) also have fine facilities, and the time-honored tradition of pre-game tailgating for the football fans is alive and well. More than just basketball and football, UNC has been the proud home of the NCAA Champions in Men's Lacrosse and Women's Soccer for almost a decade. The Universities have also produced nationally ranked field hockey, volleyball, golf, tennis, baseball, swimming and wrestling teams.

**Cybrary** -- located in Carrboro Century Center, 100 N. Greensboro Street, 918-7387.

Visit their website: [www.co.orange.nc.us/library/cybrary](http://www.co.orange.nc.us/library/cybrary)

**Durham Performing Arts Center** -- located in The American Tobacco District, 123 Vivian Street, Durham, 688-3722. Something for everyone with over 150 events a year. From rising new artists to the biggest name superstars from around the world, DPAC sets the stage for both contemporary and legendary Broadway shows, concerts, comedy, and family shows. Visit their website: [www.dpacnc.com](http://www.dpacnc.com)

**Eno River State Park** -- located at 6101 Cole Mill Road, Durham, 383-1686

**FestiFall Street Fairs in Downtown Chapel Hill** -- scheduled each year in the Fall.

**Hog Day Fair in Hillsborough** -- held annually in May.

**Horace Williams House** -- located at 610 E. Rosemary Street and maintained by the Chapel Hill Preservation Society as a cultural center and arts exhibition space. Recitals by vocal and instrumental soloists and by chamber music ensembles occur as part of its yearly programs. Most concerts are free. 942-7818.

**Jordan Lake** -- 47,000-acre lake located near Chapel Hill and Durham offers the water-loving residents a great place to visit. In addition to providing flood control, water supply and fish conservation, the lake is open to the public for swimming, sailing, boating, skiing, and wind surfing. Camping, hiking, bird watching, fishing, and picnicking can be enjoyed all around the lake. 362-0586.

**Kenan Football Center Hall of Honors (UNC)** – located in the Frank H. Kenan Stadium, Bell Tower Road. Features Hall of Honors, the Heavner Theater for football archives, display cases of historical artifacts, interactive kiosks, video presentation and vintage photographs. 966-2575.

**Kidzu Children’s Museum,** -- located in University Square on W. Franklin Street and offering a hands-on learning environment for young children (up to 8) and the adults in their lives, with interactive exhibits, weekly programs and other special events. 933-1455.

**Morehead Planetarium** -- home to one of only 10 Zeiss Star projectors in the world for indoor astronomy, the Planetarium offers scientific programs and exhibits, and an art gallery. Call 962-1236; 549-6863 for recorded show information.

**Museum of Life and Science** – located at 433 W. Murray Avenue in Durham. One of the nation’s top children’s museums. Hands-on exhibits, a butterfly house, a Railroad train (Ellerbe Creek RR), year round hands-on science classes for children and adults as well as educational and entertaining programs focusing on natural and physical sciences and technology are all a part of this wonderful museum. 220-5429, ncmls.org.

**North Carolina Arts and Crafts Gallery** -- displays various arts and crafts. 212 W. Main Street, Carrboro. 942-4048.

**North Carolina Botanical Gardens and Coker Arboretum** – located on Old Mason Farm Road (Garden) and East Cameron Ave. (Arboretum). The largest natural botanical gardens in the Southeast, featuring 3 miles of woodland trails and 367 acres of varied habitat dedicated to the research and conservation of indigenous plants. The Arboretum’s 5-acre garden contains more than 500 species, a 300’ native vine arbor and a stone gathering circle. 962-0522.

**North Carolina Museum of Art** -- located in Raleigh, is considered to be in the top 20 museums in America. Its collections are highly respected and generally recognized as the best in the southeast. 839-6262.

**North Carolina Museum of History** -- located in Raleigh, features permanent exhibits including North Carolina and the Civil War and the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame, plus changing exhibits. 807-7900, [www.ncmuseumofhistory.org](http://www.ncmuseumofhistory.org).

**Museum of Natural Sciences** -- in Raleigh highlights the environment of North Carolina. The marine mammal exhibit is considered one of the finest in the country and includes two massive full-sized whale skeletons. It houses a Discovery Room with touchable nature-study specimens. 877-462-8724, [www.naturalsciences.org](http://www.naturalsciences.org).

**North Carolina State University Arboretum** -- has something in bloom every day of the year. The 6,000 different plants on this site represent 45 different countries. On the 8 acre site are featured a Victorian gazebo, a Japanese garden, a French parterre. In addition there are townhouse, water and reading gardens. The 300-foot long perennial border is a nationally noted landmark. 515-7641.

**North Carolina Symphony** -- is a major national symphony, which is highly respected as one the nation's leading regional orchestras. The Symphony has played to rave reviews at Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center. International celebrities are frequent concert performers. There is a series for Chapel Hill, one for Raleigh, and a different one for Durham. 733-9536.

**Orange County Historical Museum Gallery** -- located at 201 N. Churton Street in Hillsborough features a different local artist each month. 732-2201.

**Orange County Library** -- 300 West Tryon Street, Hillsborough, 245-2525. Visit their website: [www.co.orange.nc.us/library](http://www.co.orange.nc.us/library)

**Parks & Recreation Departments** -- offer a variety of recreation areas and a wealth of recreation opportunities. From organized sports leagues (baseball, softball, basketball, volleyball, etc.) to classes in pottery, dance, red cross swimming, aerobics, basketry, magic, balloon art, tennis, creative dance, drawing, painting, music, art, scuba instruction, water exercises, gardening, basic canoeing, basic climbing, tai chi, jazzercise, film making, ceramics, ... the list goes on. 968-2784 in Chapel Hill, 918-7364 in Carrboro, 245-2660 in Orange County, and 560-4355 in Durham.

**PlayMakers Repertory Company/Paul Green Theatre** -- North Carolina's only year-round professional resident theater, prides itself on preserving the classics as well as performing modern works. 962-PLAY, [www.playmakersrep.org](http://www.playmakersrep.org).

**Professional Sports** -- covers nearly every season. RBC Center at 1400 Edwards Mill Road (467-7825). Raleigh is the home of a professional hockey team, The Carolina Hurricanes (834-4000). The Carolina Mudcats AA baseball team (269-CATS) are in Zebulon. Durham is the home of the Durham Bulls AA baseball team (687-6500), and Charlotte's professional football team is The Carolina Panthers. And let us not forget golf tournaments, not only at the various Country Clubs, but also including the PGA's Greater Greensboro Open, the LPA's Pat Bradley in High Point, The Vantage at Tanglewood, The Crosby at Bermuda Run, and the TOUR championship in Pinehurst.

**Progress Energy Center for the Performing Arts** -- located in downtown Raleigh. Home to the Carolina Ballet, North Carolina Symphony, North Carolina Theatre and Broadway Series South. Four world-class performance venues: Memorial Auditorium, Meymandi Concert Hall, A.J. Fletcher Opera Theater and the K.D. Kennedy Theater. 831-6011, [www.progressenergycenter.com](http://www.progressenergycenter.com).

**Recreational Activities** -- Orange County, Chapel Hill, and Carrboro have Recreation Departments that provide youth and adult recreational programs and activities. Recreational activities in the Chapel Hill Area include:

4 golf courses	9 lighted athletic fields
14 picnic areas	2 swimming pools
25 tennis courts	2 volleyball courts
2 art museums	2 historical museums
2 visitors centers	6 greenway/nature trails
1 fitness trail	1 farmers market
7 recreation centers	miles of biking paths

...and many other opportunities.

**Sarah P. Duke Gardens** -- bordered by 35 acres of pine forest. The formal garden lies in a valley on Duke University's West Campus where, in the spring, you will find 20 acres of blooming flowers in terraced gardens. The center of the formal garden is a lily pond with wisteria-covered pergola, a perfect setting for a garden wedding. Less formal plantings are found in the forest trails. This group of plants makes up one of the largest collections of southeastern natural plants in the United States. 684-3698.

**Snow Camp Historical Drama Society, Inc.** -- located in Southern Alamance County, 15 miles south of Burlington, North Carolina, provides outdoor drama entertainment during the summer months. Evening shows include such favorites as The Sword of Peace and Pathway to Freedom. Children's theatre productions are also offered on Saturday mornings during the summer. The stage props are replica of the 18th century Cane Creek Meeting House and the Simon Dixon Grist Mill. All seats are General Admission; tickets may be reserved but not specific seats. Tickets may also be purchased at the box office. 336-376-6948 or 1-800-726-5115.

**Totten Center** -- boasts of a library with over 1500 volumes of gardening-related topics, numerous horticultural encyclopedias, gardening and conservation periodicals. Classes in horticulture are held in the Center where one will also find a wonderful gift shop. Herb plants sold from April to October. For the hiking enthusiast, 80 acres of well-maintained land supports a 2-mile walk through these woodlands of the Piedmont. 962-0522.

**Triangle Sportsplex** -- One Dan Kidd Drive, Hillsborough, 644-0339. Year-round ice skating, aquatic center fitness center, meeting room, game room, massage and tanning. Visit their website: [trianglesportsplex.com](http://trianglesportsplex.com)

**UNC-Chapel Hill Athletic Events and Campus Tours** -- for athletic events, call 962-2123. For campus tours, call the Admissions Office at 966-3621.

**University Lake** -- built by UNC-Chapel Hill in 1932 and operated by the Orange Water & Sewer Authority, the 213-acre lake serves both as a top-notch drinking water source and is a favorite outdoor recreation spot for Chapel Hill-Carrboro residents. The UNC rowing teams still use the reservoir as their number one practice site. Picnicking, fishing, sunbathing, paddle boats, canoes, rowboats and trailing motors available to rent. Because it is a drinking water source, swimming and gasoline-powered boat motors are not allowed in the lake. Visitors may, however, bring non-trailerred boats -- such as canoes and kayaks -- and their own electric motors as long as they pass the lake warden's inspection prior to launch. N.C. fishing laws apply. Days and hours of operation are seasonal and vary from year to year. Call Warden's Office at 942-8007.

**University Libraries** -- 962-1301. Visit their website: [www.lib.unc.edu](http://www.lib.unc.edu).