### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS • FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

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	Courthouse Tent	Tent on the Hill	Creekside Tent	Library Tent	College Street Tent	
10:00–11:00	Donald Davis Motoko		Carmen Deedy Josh Goforth	Kevin Kling* Dolores Hydock*	FAMILY SHOWCASE*  Bil Lepp  Noa Baum	
11:30–12:30	Sarah Brady Bill Harley	Christopher Agostino Agostino Arts See description on pg 11	Jeff Doyle Elizabeth Ellis	Noa Baum* Josh Goforth*	FAMILY SHOWCASE* Chuna McIntyre Donald Davis	
1:00-2:00	Kevin Kling Peter Chand	Motoko Charlotte Blake Alston	Dolores Hydock Take a Ride on the Reading Sidetracked, derailed, and 800 miles from home. A fast-paced, from-the-heart swirl of stories about one memorable weekend.	Brigid Reedy* Bil Lepp*	FAMILY SHOWCASE*  Ray Christian  Carmen Deedy	
2:30–3:30	Charlotte Blake Alston Donald Davis	Elizabeth Ellis Noa Baum	Sarah Brady Kevin Kling	Jeff Doyle* Bill Harley*	FAMILY SHOWCASE*  Brigid Reedy  Josh Goforth	
4:00-5:00	Chuna McIntyre Bil Lepp	Bill Harley Peter Chand	Motoko Ray Christian	Jay O'Callahan*  Skating Into the Unknown  See description at right  90 minutes	FAMILY SHOWCASE* Elizabeth Ellis Carmen Deedy	
5:30–7:00			<b>EXCHANGE PLACE • COLLEGE ST. TENT</b> 5:30 to 7:00 • Carol Moore, Darci Tucker, Brandon Spars, M.J. Kang, Morgen Reynolds, Sufian Zhemukhov (See page 17)			
8:00	Olio Motoko Carmen Deedy Jeff Doyle Noa Baum Bill Harley Ray Christian Elizabeth Ellis Donald Davis	LOCATION: MILL SPRING PARK GHOST STORIES See description on page 11 Milbre Burch Lyn Ford Peter Chand Motoko Simon Brooks Separate Ticket Required	Olio Peter Chand Elizabeth Ellis Ray Christian Donald Davis Carmen Deedy Jeff Doyle Noa Baum Bill Harley	Olio Bil Lepp Brigid Reedy Charlotte Blake Alston Sarah Brady Kevin Kling Dolores Hydock Chuna McIntyre Josh Goforth	Olio Josh Goforth Chuna McIntyre Dolores Hydock Bil Lepp Brigid Reedy Charlotte Blake Alston Sarah Brady Kevin Kling	
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FRIDAY · 4 pm · LIBRARY TENT Jay O'Callahan · 90 minutes · Skating into the Unknown · Set on Pill Hill, a neighborhood near Boston and the village below, Jay's new signature story explores themes of love and loss with his usual quick wit and warm wisdom. You will meet your favorite Pill Hill characters—and some new ones.

SATURDAY, 11:30 am · TENT ON THE HILL **Sarah Brady** · *Thoughts of Freedom: Hans* and Sophie Scholl and the White Rose · Munich, Germany, 1943. Two siblings who came of age in the Third Reich, walk a well-known path toward an uncertain future, carrying hidden words of resistance and hope. Buoved by faith, stories. and songs, they are confident that in the midst of the darkest of times, their thoughts can still be free.

SATURDAY · 1 pm · TENT ON THE HILL **Jeff Doyle** · *Sometimes Naughty* · Jeff has often been described as being a 13-year-old trapped in a man's body — a normally wellbehaved boy who sometimes veers off track. From good intentions that go the wrong way to his youthful guest for forbidden magazines, these stories will bring laughter and perhaps a wink of recognition. Set is rated PG-13.

SATURDAY, 1 pm · LIBRARY TENT **Charlotte Blake Alston** · *Six-Triple Eight* The incredible story of the first – and only – women's Army Corps battalion of all African American women allowed to serve in Europe during WWII. The battalion was recently awarded the Congressional Gold Medal for their outstanding achievements.

SATURDAY · 4 pm · LIBRARY TENT **Connie Regan-Blake** · *From Another Time:* Celebrating Ray Hicks · One of the most recognizable storytellers in our Festival's 50-year history, Ray Hicks honed his craft in a North Carolina cabin without electricity. In 1973, he came down the mountain to Jonesborough bearing old-world gifts that continue to enrich our modern lives. Learn how Ray became the face of traditional Appalachian mountain storytelling, along with Connie's journey and reflections on her long friendship with his family.

SATURDAY, 4 pm · TENT ON THE HILL Peter Chand · Stories from India · Beguiling stories from Peter's Motherland. Dark, thoughtful, moving and witty, these are a collection of folktales as diverse as India itself. Ages 14 and over.

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# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS • SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8 Yoga in the Park Storytelling Park, behind ISC Saturday & Sunday morning, 8–9 am • See page 12

	Courthouse Tent	Tent on the Hill	Creekside Tent	Library Tent	College Street Tent	ISC THEATER	
10:00–11:00	Bill Harley Build Me Up Buttercup The greatest Top 40 song ever? Yes. Bill explains why, and how it got him through adolescence.	Brigid Reedy Oh, My Home's in Montana: Songs and Stories from Way Out West	Motoko Tales of Now and Zen Motoko shares new personal stories.	Bil Lepp*  Skeeter's Giant Pumpkin	Elizabeth Ellis  Becoming Miss Elizabeth  How on earth did  Elizabeth get to be  who she is?	FRIDAY · 1 pm · DOCUMENTARY  Ray and Rosa Hicks: The Last of the Old  Time Storytellers · See page 12  65 minutes	
11:30–12:30	Josh Goforth	Sarah Brady Thoughts of Freedom: Hans and Sophie Scholl and the White Rose See description on previous page	Chuna McIntyre	Donald Davis*	Dolores Hydock Going the Extra Mile Nellie Bly and Elizabeth Bisland made headlines racing around the world in 1889. Come hear the little-known backstory of their life journeys before and after that famous trip.	FRIDAY • 4 pm • LEGACY SERIES  Equality's Smallest Soldiers  See page 10 • Separate ticket required 75 minutes  SATURDAY • 10 am • DOCUMENTARY  Ray and Rosa Hicks: The Last of the Old  Time Storytellers • See page 12 65 minutes	
1:00–2:00	Bil Lepp Bil Fails Yosemite Falls	Jeff Doyle Sometimes Naughty See description on previous page	Noa Baum  Fly Me to the Moon  Is real love a fairytale? Noa tries to solve the mystery of attraction with stories of beasts, beauties, and her own unexpected love.	Charlotte Blake Alston*  Six-Triple Eight  See description on previous page	Carmen Deedy Carmen tells folktales	SATURDAY • 11:30 am Jay O'Callahan Jonesborough Rising: The Story of Tennessee's Oldest Town See page 10 • Separate ticket required  SATURDAY • 2:30 pm STORYTELLING STUDIO Donald Davis	
2:30–3:30	Elizabeth Ellis Old Maps, New Journeys The story is in the dilemma of what to leave behind and what to take with us. The humor's in what we put ourselves through while deciding.	Ray Christian Life Reimagined: Growing Up Poor in the Urban South A story of Ray's unlikely journey.	Dolores Hydock Tony Curtis Speaks Italian and All I Can Say is "I Love You" A year-long trip to Europe becomes a 40-year search	Kevin Kling*	Bill Harley  Stories from Home  Stories about where we live on this planet, starting in Bill's back yard.	Gone, Not Forgotten  See page 10 • Separate ticket required  SATURDAY · 4 pm · LEGACY SERIES  Equality's Smallest Soldiers  See page 10 • Separate ticket required 75 minutes  SATURDAY · 8 pm · Motoko  Come Nightly: Naughty Tales From Japan  See page 10 • Separate ticket required  SUNDAY · 10 am · Storyfaces with  Agostino Arts · See page 11  SUNDAY · 11:30 am · LEGACY SERIES	
4:00–5:00	Carmen Deedy Carmen tells personal stories.	Peter Chand  Stories From India See description on previous page	for a broken friendship that's finally rescued by Google. 75 minutes	Connie Regan-Blake* From Another Time: Celebrating Ray Hicks See description on previous page	Donald Davis		
5:30–6:30		5.	Creekside Tent 5:30–6:30 Homecoming (See description on page 17)		LOCATION: MILL SPRING PARK	Equality's Smallest Soldiers See page 10 • Separate ticket required 75 minutes	
8:00	Festival Showdown Kevin Kling Carmen Deedy Bill Harley Bil Lepp			From the Front Porch Elizabeth Ellis Brigid Reedy Donald Davis Dolores Hydock Josh Goforth	See description on page 11  Noa Baum  Charlotte Blake Alston  Simon Brooks  Lyn Ford  Jeff Doyle  Separate Ticket Required	SUNDAY • 1:30 pm • DOCUMENTARY Ray and Rosa Hicks: The Last of the Old Time Storytellers See page 12 • 65 minutes	
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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS • SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

	<b>Courthouse Tent</b>	Library Tent*	College Street Tent
10:00–11:00	SACRED TELLING Dolores Hydock Josh Goforth Motoko Kevin Kling	SACRED TELLING Elizabeth Ellis Chuna McIntyre Noa Baum Bil Lepp	SACRED TELLING Sarah Brady Charlotte Blake Alston Donald Davis Carmen Deedy
11:30–12:30	Dolores Hydock Josh Goforth	Ray Christian Bill Harley	Brigid Reedy Kevin Kling
1:00-2:00	Charlotte Blake Alston Bil Lepp	Peter Chand Elizabeth Ellis	Jeff Doyle Donald Davis
2:30	SHOWCASE Carmen Deedy Jeff Doyle Dolores Hydock Kevin Kling Donald Davis Noa Baum Ray Christian Bil Lepp	SHOWCASE Josh Goforth Sarah Brady Chuna McIntyre Bill Harley Elizabeth Ellis Charlotte Blake Alston Peter Chand Donald Davis	SHOWCASE  Bil Lepp Charlotte Blake Alston Brigid Reedy Peter Chand Carmen Deedy Chuna McIntyre Sarah Brady Kevin Kling

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#### **Swappin' Ground**

October 7-9

Friday, 12:30–6 pm • Saturday, 9–11 am and 3 pm–6 pm • Sunday, 12:30 pm–2:30 pm Oak Hill School, Sabin Drive, next to Library Tent

At the first National Storytelling Festival in 1973, a handful of storytellers gathered around the courthouse in Jonesborough's town square and traded tales. An old wagon served as the stage, and listeners took their seats on bales of hay. Today the Swappin' Ground tradition continues in the Oak Hill School, next to the Library Tent. Here, anyone can tell a tale — and many do. Stop by and listen as tellers recapture the humble beginnings of the National Storytelling Festival.

Take part in a festival tradition at the National Storytelling Festival's Swappin' Ground, hosted by the Jonesborough Storytellers Guild.

Sign up beginning Thursday at information booth beside the Jonesborough Visitors Center

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