

## **Roanoke Island Festival Park May, 2012 Events**

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#### **Roanoke Island Festival Park**

May 1-31

Roanoke Island Festival Park is an interactive family attraction that celebrates the first English settlement in America. Visitors board and explore the park's centerpiece, a representational ship, *Elizabeth II*. Climb aboard and help costumed 16<sup>th</sup> century sailors. Try traditional woodworking, play Elizabethan games, and watch the blacksmith at the Settlement Site. Discover 400 years of Outer Banks history in the interactive Roanoke Adventure Museum. See *The Legend of Two-Path*, a mini-movie about Native Americans Manteo and Wanchese. Experience the new American Indian Town exhibit that includes a wide variety of true-to-scale structures, role-play environments, and places to explore, plant, dance, build and play. The Museum Store offers historically themed gift merchandise and much more. Enjoy the Fossil Pit full of treasures, and the marsh-side Boardwalks that surround the site. Admission. (252) 475-1500 or roanokeisland.com

#### **Workboats and Watermen in the Civil War Exhibit**

May 1- September 1

In recognition of the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Civil War Battle of Roanoke Island, an exhibit will feature flat bottom boats that were used during the battle. (252) 475-1500 or roanokeisland.com.

#### **Mollie Fearing Memorial Art Show**

May 4-30

Art Gallery

Meet-the Artist Reception May 4- 6-8 p.m.

The annual exhibit features an eclectic mix of local art and will hang until May 30. It is free and open to the public 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mon-Fri and Saturdays-10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The annual event is sponsored by the Dare County Arts Council and was created to honor the show's namesake, Mollie Fearing, who was a prominent figure in the Manteo community. Fearing helped form the Sea and Sounds Arts Council that evolved into the current Dare County Arts Council. Today, the non-profit plays a leading role in the community. roanokeisland.com (252) 475-1500

#### **ECU Presents "Storybook Theatre**

Tales from Around the World" and Workshop

May 5 at 1 p.m.

Indoor Theatre

Storybook Theatre's "Tales From Around the Word" is a collection of children's story-dramas, poetry and songs including "The Legend of the Shooting Star" a Native American tale, "The Dragon Boat Festival" a tale from Beijing, "The Turnip Story" from Russia, "The Bear and the Fox" a tale from Finland, "The Three Shovels" a tale from Peru, and "El Tunche, El Tunche" from the jungles of Peru. This production is interactive with children participating throughout the performance with song, movement and dance. Children love singing the "Reading Song," howling at the stars along with the coyote, and singing "Pull, Pull, Pull," to help the farmer, his wife and son and the farm animals pull the turnip out of the ground. The stories take on a special significance as it is linked via video conferencing

in the ECU Global Classroom with representative countries while gathering these exciting and wondrous tales.

A short post-production workshop for the children will follow the performance. Children are invited to work with the cast members to create their own original stories culminating in an informal sharing (we'll help them create an original costume from the magic fabric box) at the end of the session. Roanokeisland.com (252) 475-1500. Tickets are \$5 except for those 5 and under which are free.

**Council of the Colonial Coast's Girls Scouts  
Girls Rock the Beach! Living Trefoil**

May 18

6:30 p.m.

Outdoor Pavilion

Roanoke Island Festival Park will also be part of the Council of the Colonial Coast's Living Trefoil event to kick off **Girls Rock the Beach!** There will be three trefoils, created from Girl Scouts holding flashlights, in three separate locations, which includes Roanoke Island Festival Park. You must register to attend the event and indicate the location you are attending. For more information and to register please go to the Council of the Colonial Coast website: [www.gsgccc.org](http://www.gsgccc.org).