

CLE's Fifth Annual HIGHLANDS PORCHFEST

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2025

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CLE partners with Arts Council of Macon County for 5th-annual Highlands Porchfest

The Highlands-Cashiers Center for Life Enrichment (CLE) is proud to announce its partnership with the Arts Council of Macon County for this year's Highlands Porchfest Music Festival as an ARTReach Grant Recipient for the third year in a row.

Highlands Porchfest is a free-to-attend music festival featuring over 40 talented, regional musicians who will perform across 14 venues in the heart of downtown Highlands on Sunday, September 21, from 1-6p, organized by CLE. This year, CLE has once again been selected by the Arts Council of Macon County as a recipient of its ARTReach grant.

"The Highlands-Cashiers Center for Life Enrichment (CLE) is thrilled to once again partner with ArtReach through the generous support of the Arts Council of Macon County for the 2026 Porchfest," says CLE Executive Director, Meg Stevens. "We're especially excited for Porchfest this year — from the talented lineup of artists to the vibrant sense of community it brings. We look forward to coming together with our neighbors to celebrate music, connection, and the spirit of the Plateau."

The mission of the Arts Council is to serve Macon County as a presenter, promoter, and resource for artists, cultural or-

ganizations, and schools working to meet their goals. With their ARTReach Program, the Arts Council aims to jump start the arts within Macon County. The primary goal of this ARTReach grant is to support area artists, and it will directly benefit the talented musicians who will make Highlands Porchfest 2025 such an enjoyable family affair.

Highlands Porchfest is organized and presented by local nonprofit organization, Highlands-Cashiers Center for Life Enrichment, which has served the community with life-enriching opportunities for over 30 years. For more information on the festival, please visit www.highlandsporchfest.com.

The Highlands-Cashiers Center for Life Enrichment's mission is to provide life enriching opportunities that stimulate curiosity and creativity through educational lectures, art workshops, culinary/nature programs, and unique experiences to residents and visitors to the Highlands-Cashiers plateau. With a membership base of over 500 enthusiastic supporters and a wide range of over 100 program offerings each season, it is no exaggeration to state that no other small town in America presents the quality and quantity of programs that CLE hosts each year.

Register now for Pre-K and After-School programs at TL&L Center

Registration is now open for our free Pre-K and After-School programs for the current school year. We encourage interested families to visit www.theliteracyandlearningcenter.org/pre-k and www.theliteracyandlearningcenter.org/youth to learn more and secure a spot. For questions, contact Caroline Cox, Programs Manager, at ccox@theliteracyandlearningcenter.org or 828-526-0863.

