

## Morganton Festival brings fun for all!

### 5 things about the festival you need to know

- DATE/ TIME:** Make your way to the streets of downtown Morganton on **September 8th-9th**. The festival hours are as follows. Friday noon to 11 p.m. and Saturday 9 am to 10 pm. Don't miss out on on the festival fun!
- CRAFT VENDORS:** Streets will be filled to the brim with 250+ arts and crafts vendors. The festival footprint is 9 blocks centered around the Courthouse Square. We are so excited to see all the beautiful things that you could take home with you.
- FOOD COURT:** If the crafts and music don't bring you to the festival, the authentic cuisine of multiple cultures will. The food court opens at noon on Friday, so make sure to take your lunch break at the Morganton Festival. You won't regret it!
- KID ZONE:** Don't forget about the kiddos. Games, amusement rides, kid's crafts, face painting, inflatables, a magician and more. Rides are open from 2 - 11pm on Friday and 9am-10pm on Saturday. Ride tickets can be purchased with cash or card.
- FREE MUSIC:** Friday from 7:30-9pm – Lucas Jagneaux & the Roadshow. Friday from 9:30-11pm – Red Clay Strays. Saturday from 7-8pm – Rev On. Saturday from 8:30-10pm – Bohemian Queen. Come and enjoy the free concerts!



#### CITY CALENDAR



**Saturday, 9/6**

**Coffee w/ a Cop**

8:30 - 9:30 am @ Thornwell Books

**Sunday, 9/28**

**Georgia Players Guild**

7:30pm @CoMMA



**Friday/ Saturday, 10/6 - 7**

**Plow Day (Tractor Show)**

All day @ Catawba Meadows



**Every Saturday & Wednesday (May-Oct)**

**Morganton Farmers Market**

Sat - 8am - Noon @ 300

Beach St. Wed - 11am - 2pm @ 111 N. Green Street

## CoMMA tickets available to public Aug. 14th

Lights, Curtain, Action! The Hottest Tickets in Town are on sell now. What? Where? CoMMA Performing Arts Center. There are 1,100 seats, all with incredible views of live performances, nestled right in downtown Morganton. Make plans now and get ready for eight months of breathtaking, funny, jaw dropping performances.

- 09.28.23 – Georgia Players Guild: The Sounds of Georgia – A Revue of Georgia's Musical History
- 10.05.23 – Damn Tall Buildings (Roots/Americana Trio)
- 10.17.23 – Letters Aloud: Thanks but No Thanks – The Greatest Rejection Letters of All Time
- 10.27.23 – Ofrenda: A Dia de los Muertos Celebration
- 11.09.23 – Jen Kober (Comedy)
- 11.30.23 – Pretty Woman The Musical (National Broadway Tour)
- 12.07.23 – American Pride: Remembering the Music of the Legendary Statler Brothers
- 01.19.24 – Landau Eugene Murphy Jr. (AGT Season 6 Winner)
- 01.30.24 – Annie (National Broadway Tour)
- 02.25.24 – Johnny Cash – The Official Concert Experience
- 03.12.24 – The Peking Acrobats
- 04.09.24 – Les Ballet Trockadero de Monte Carlo
- 04.19.24 – Alfreda Sings Aretha

In addition to the Mainstage lineup, we are also presenting a separate Cabaret Series for '23-'24. Tickets for the Cabaret Series are \$40 per show (plus tax & facility fee) and will be limited to only 150 guests per show.

Cabaret Series:

- 12.21.23 – A Winter Solstice and Christmas Jazz Concert  
Featuring Joseph Hasty & Centerpiece Jazz
- 02.16.24 – Push Physical Theatre: Generic Male
- 04.30.24 – Dasan Ahanu (poetry/spoken word)



Please visit [www.commaonline.org](http://www.commaonline.org) for more ticket information!

# Morganton adds 11 locations to Music on the Porch Day

Play Music on the Porch Day is a worldwide event based on a simple idea: What if for one day everything stopped... and we all just listened to the music? The event is set for Saturday, August 26th at various locations and times in Morganton.

What began in 2014 as one man's idea that music could help to bring people around the world together has spread to over 70 countries with over 1,100 porches and other locations participating. Morganton joined in on the fun in 2022 with seven porches. This year there are 18 porches on the schedule. We encourage people to pack a chair/blanket and refreshments and make a plan from the schedule. It will truly be a day of the Mo-town spirit of live music! Play Music on the Porch Day in Morganton is supported and promoted by the Morganton Cultural Arts Commission.

In Morganton, we have 18 porches (up from 7 locations last year) and over 50 musicians participating in Play Music on the Porch Day; beginning at 8am at the Morganton Farmers Market and ending with a concert on the Historic Burke County Courthouse Square amphitheater. Throughout the day there will be live music on porches all around Morganton and everyone is encouraged to walk around town and enjoy a day of music, friends and community.



Anyone can join in, to participate just go outside and play some music on the porch. Participants are encouraged to upload a video and add **#playmusicontheporchday** to the post on social media.

To find more information on Morganton's Play Music on the Porch Day visit the FB page: <https://fb.me/e/1h1CsHApF> or visit [www.playmusicontheporchday.com](http://www.playmusicontheporchday.com) and see the interactive map.

# Where to find power/ water outage info



If you are experiencing a power or water outage, here are the following places you can get information.

- Visit [www.morgantonnc.gov](http://www.morgantonnc.gov) to see an alert banner on the main website with more details about the outage.
- Visit the city's Facebook or Twitter account.
- To report a power outage, please call 828-438-5277.
- To report a water outage, please call 828-438-5276.
- For any questions or concerns about billing or payments, please contact our Finance Department at 828-438-5245.

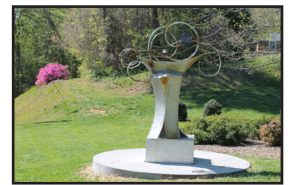
# Vote for your favorite sculpture at HMF!

The Morganton Cultural Arts Commission welcomed three sculptures to the "Sculpture on The Town", revolving public art exhibition in downtown Morganton. There will be a People's Choice Award given to the artist of the winning sculpture in September.

Voting will happen during the Morganton Festival on September 8-9. To cast your vote, please visit one of the information booths located at either the intersection of N. Green St/W. Union St or Sterling St/Meeting St. We want to hear from you!



"Equity", located at N. Green and Patterson Street. Artist: Nathan Pierce, Cape Girardeau, MO



"Pure Me", located on N. Green St just past Spainhour St. on the right. Artist: Tom Risser, Matthews NC



"Rising Spirits", located in the landscaped island at W. Union and W. Meeting St. Artist: Harry McDaniel, Asheville NC



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