

Artisan Trails in Smyth County

Artisan Trails are happening in Smyth County !

'Round the Mountain is excited to be working with the Smyth County Tourism Association, the Downtown Marion Revitalization Association, the Town of Saltville and The Art Place in Chilhowie on the creation of an artisan trail in Smyth County.

'Round the Mountain (RTM) is a non-profit organization that supports artisans, farmers and agribusiness in Southwest Virginia by providing marketing, education and entrepreneurial opportunities.

As one of its major initiatives, 'Round the Mountain (RTM) is creating a Regional Artisan Trail Network throughout the 19 counties and 4 cities that it serves. These trails will bring visitors to artisan studios, craft shops, galleries, farms, agribusinesses, unique lodging and restaurants, and other points of interest in each community.

The Artisan Trail in Smyth County will be linked to other local artisan trails being developed to create the Regional Artisan Trail Network throughout Southwest Virginia.

The trails will be featured on RTM's web site as an interactive trail map and trip planner, in community & regional brochures, and highlighted at Heartwood, the new regional Artisan Center of Southwest Virginia.

'Round the Mountain is a membership organization. Artisans, farmers, agribusiness, craft venues and organizations that sell, exhibit or promote locally-made craft and produce are eligible for membership. The Regional Artisan Trails may include other businesses, such as restaurants or lodging, that support visitors in the community.

The Smyth County community is invited to local meetings to learn about 'Round the Mountain and how to participate in the Artisan Trails in this area.

Monday, July 14, 7 pm at Marion Municipal Bld., Town Hall, 138 W. Main St., in Marion

Tuesday, July 15, 6:30 pm at The Art Place, 124 E. Main St., in Chilhowie

Thursday, July 17, 7 pm, at the Palmer Mill, 123 Palmer Ave. (corner of Palmer & Madison St.)
in Saltville

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To learn more about RTM, visit the website at www.roundthemountain.org

