



# Hot Springs, NC Welcome Center

## Spring Newsletter 2022

### Things To Do in 2022

We welcome you to visit our mountain town of healing waters to explore, relax and connect with nature and loved ones.

Enjoy our eclectic galleries, eateries, craft brewery, tried-and-true taverns, gourmet groceries, family-run hardware store and hiker-friendly outfitters. Come take a break from ordinary reality in this charming hamlet where, according to locals, Mayberry meets the Twilight Zone. Welcome to the Vortex!



***Every Tuesday at 6pm.. [Game Night at Big Pillow Brewing](#)***

***Every Wed at 6pm..... [Karaoke or Open Mic at Big Pillow](#)***

***Thursday, March 24..... [Art-Learn Class at Gallery 339](#)***

***Saturday, April 23..... [Birds for Books Library Fundraiser](#)***

***Saturday, May 14..... [1st Laurel Community Monthly Market](#)***

***Saturday, May 21..... [Vintage BMW Gathering](#)***

***Saturday, May 21..... [Trust Cafe Opening Day Celebration](#)***

***Starting May 29..... [Sunday Markets at Trust General Store](#)***

***Friday, June 3..... [Muck Boot Ball at Woodson Branch](#)***

***Saturday, June 4..... [Yard Sale in Spring Creek](#)***

***June 3-5 weekend..... [Gathering at Paint Rock Farm Festival](#)***

***Saturday, June 11..... [Bluff Mountain Music Festival](#)***

***July 2 to be decided..... [Fireworks Celebration Downtown](#)***

***Saturday, July 2..... [Freedom Festival in Laurel Community](#)***

***Monday, July 4..... [Fireworks in Spring Creek](#)***

***Saturday, Sept 10..... [Car Show in Spring Creek](#)***

*Check event websites for details, special protocols and general change in plans before arrival.*

**View Events and Live Music on our [Events Calendar](#)**

**Read More About Activities on our [Things To Do Page](#)**

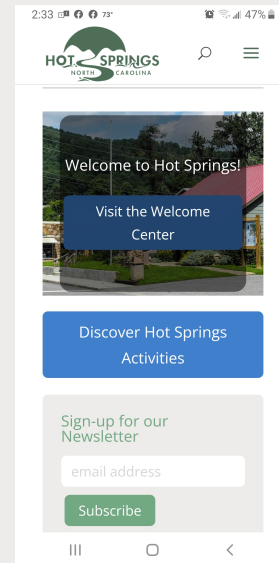
## Our Website has a new look!

We are very excited to announce the completion of our website redesign and optimization project!

**[www.HotSpringsNC.org](http://www.HotSpringsNC.org)**

The site has a clean, modern look and earthy color scheme. It displays better on mobile and includes a new search option in the header, and a new **[Events Calendar](#)** layout.

Thank you to the Madison County TDA for funding this special project. Thanks to [Applied Solutions](#) in Asheville for their work on this. And thank you to the HSTA Board Members for all their ideas and support through this process.



## The Gathering at Paint Rock Farm happening June 3-5

This new, three-day live music, arts, camping, and family-friendly experience, has announced its inaugural dates for June 3-5,

2022. Paint Rock Farm is a ten-minute drive from downtown Hot Springs, and spans across 160 acres of majestic land overlooking the French Broad River.



The Gathering is a calling for people looking for a new way to unplug from the daily digital grind and to connect with the great outdoors and each other to celebrate the joy of life.

Attending guests will be treated to two nights of overnight camping and three days of active and outdoor activities such as yoga, kirtan music, outdoor education classes, foraging, live music performances, guided nature hikes, BigFoot storytelling sessions, and art classes. Throughout the weekend, there will be displays of Off-Grid systems and nomadic lifestyle workshops (solar, bus, van builds, living on the road, etc.).

For event and ticketing information visit **[GatheringAtPaintRockFarm.com](http://GatheringAtPaintRockFarm.com)**

**AZULE- A Place for the Arts &**



## Community- Hot Springs, NC

Have you heard of this special place tucked away in the mountains near the Spring Creek community? Azule has been running a residency program for artists, educators and activists, or anyone in need of a retreat or a special gathering since 2010.

Their mission is "to provide an environment where Artists and Community meet, work and learn together through the arts in their many forms."

The structure is the vision of artist Camille Shafer, who for over 30 years has built a "three floor 60'x40' artwork", which shows us an artistic trajectory inspired by a tradition anchored in architecture and crafts.

To schedule a tour, please contact Camille at 828-622-3533. Donations are appreciated. For more information on the history, vision and how to apply for a residency, visit [www.AZULE.org](http://www.AZULE.org). You may also [sign up for the Azule Newsletter](#).

## Terry Thirion Invites You to Gallery 339 Hot Springs

On your next visit to town, you must pop in to meet this warm, gracious woman and have the pleasure of viewing her incredible works of art.



Terry is known for her abstract paintings as well as her depictions of ponds and rivers and the creatures fed by them.

Immerse yourself in the space by joining a special event called 'Art-Learn' every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month during March and April. Make friends and learn something new. Sessions are from 1-3pm and the first visit is free! Call **704-334-0800** to reserve a spot.



Regular hours will be from Noon till 4PM on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

For more information visit the [Gallery 339 website](#).

## [Read It on Our Blog](#)

Check out these articles about activities around Hot Springs, NC.

[How to Fish the French Broad River](#)



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[Birdwatching in the Appalachian Mountains](#)  
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