

CORRECTION: Regarding the upcoming “Summer Scribes” Author Series schedule.

The author visits previously listed for July 18th, July 25th, and August 1st are scheduled for Saturdays, rather than Thursdays. Please note the updated dates and times below:

- Saturday, July 18th at 5:30 PM: Stuart Pennebaker at the Camden Branch
- Saturday, July 25th at 2:00 PM: Donna Everhart at the Revolutionary War Visitor Center
- Saturday, August 1st at 6:00 PM: Rhonda McKnight at the Camden Branch

The visit from Jacqueline Friedland remains scheduled for Monday, August 10th.

Kershaw County Library Wraps Up Summer Reading with Wild, Messy Nature Events and Live Animals

CAMDEN, SC — Kershaw County Library is sending off its summer reading season with two massive, family-friendly nature experiences in July. Families can look forward to an interactive outdoor festival and live animal encounters designed to connect children with South Carolina's diverse ecosystems.

Go Wild Messtival: The Ultimate Outdoor Sensory Experience

On July 18th from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, the library and Nature as Teacher will host the "Go Wild Messival" at Nature as Teacher Preserve, located at 247 Chestnut Ferry Road in Camden. This drop-in, hands-on nature event is designed for children ages 0-12 and their families. The festival features messy, sensory-rich trail stations like a mud kitchen, nature print-making, a bug exploration station, a scavenger hunt, colorful trail soakers, and salt dough animal tracks. Attendees are highly encouraged to dress for a mess.

South Carolina Aquarium: From the Mountains to the Sea

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influence they had on families and communities. The production itself was over a year in the making, from the earliest discussions over coffee, through development, funding and planning, to the point where we could finally film on location. That time allowed us to research properly, shape the narrative and build relationships with people in the Carolinas who helped us tell the story with depth and accuracy. We filmed in the second week of June across North and South Carolina. The heat was intense, but it quickly became clear why so many emigrants from Ireland and Northern Ireland settled in this part of the world. The landscape is green and fertile and in many places it feels surprisingly familiar, though with rather more sunshine than we are used to at home. Our filming locations included Andrew Jackson State Park, the Museum of the Waxhaws, the Old Waxhaw Presbyterian Church where Andrew Jackson Senior is buried and where a statue of Elizabeth stands, as does

New Community Church Offers First Conference

Friends of the Bridegroom Church, 1180 Garnette Road in Lancaster (a short drive from Kershaw), will celebrate its "Great Awakening Conference" led by Pastor Chris Reed and special guest speaker, Chuck Pierce. Both are well-known national Christian leaders in the apostolic-prophetic and charismatic movements. The conference will focus on upcoming and anticipated events likely to have a major affect on Christianity in America. The three-day event will occur Friday, July 24 at 7 pm, Saturday, July 25 at 10 AM, and Sunday, July 26 at 10:30 AM. The conference is open to the public and there is no charge to attend.



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On July 23rd, the library will host the South Carolina Aquarium for two exclusive, live-animal showings. Attendees will explore the state's natural habitats from the upstate to the coast, meeting native organisms like turtles, snakes, sea stars, and crabs while learning how they share

our world.

The free educational program will take place at two separate locations:

Elgin: 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM at the Elgin Community Center (2427 Main St, Elgin, SC).

Elizabeth's world to life, including a vivid story connected to the funeral of Andrew Jackson Sr. and the realities of travel and community customs at the time. Gina also spoke to why Elizabeth Jackson remains a meaningful figure, seen as a symbol of strength, sacrifice and service in a period when women's lives were rarely recorded in full.

We also interviewed Interpretive Ranger Laura Ledford at Andrew Jackson State Park, who offered a clear picture of Andrew Jackson's early years and the values shaped by his upbringing. Meagan Pyler at the Museum of the Waxhaws helped us understand what it meant to arrive in the Waxhaws in that era and what Elizabeth endured after the death of her husband, raising three sons in extremely difficult circumstances.

To help viewers visualise the period, we filmed re-enactment material with the Kingsbury North Carolina Artillery Company and Locke's Dismounted Militia. Their contribution was invaluable in creating a sense of time and place. We were also grateful to Steve Folks and the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) South Carolina (SCETV)

We were especially grateful to interview Gina Bobo of the Elizabeth Hutchinson Jackson Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. Her insight helped bring

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Camden: 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM at the Camden Library (1304 Broad St, Camden, SC).

Both events are free and open to the public. For more details, visit the Kershaw County Library website

team for allowing us to use drone footage from a battle re-enactment, which helped strengthen the scale and atmosphere of the film. Although Carrick to the Carolinas is rooted in the 1700's, the story feels timely. It reminds us that Northern Ireland and the Carolinas share more than distant historical links: we share people, names, traditions and a migration story that shaped communities on both sides of the Atlantic. I hope viewers come away with a stronger sense of that shared history and of the human resilience that sits behind it. The documentary has already aired in Northern Ireland and in the Republic of Ireland, and I am pleased it has also been picked up to air on South Carolina ETV (a PBS affiliate). It can also be watched online via our Ulster-Scots platform at ulsterscots.nv tv.co.uk, where we have over two-hundred and fifty Ulster-Scots films.

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