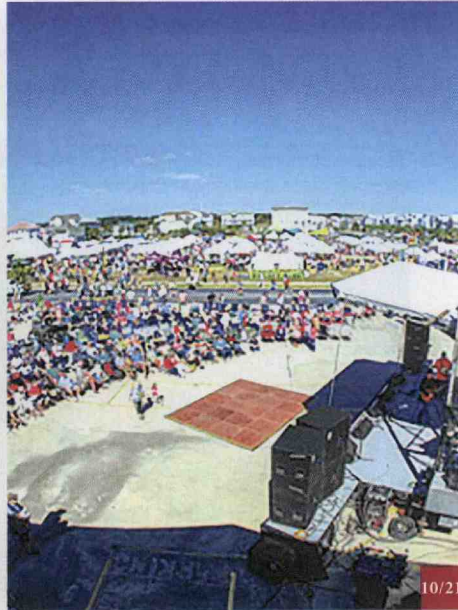




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13 **HARVEST DINNER**
Dudley Mansion
Chef Dean Neff and pastry chef Lydia Clopton of PinPoint Restaurant, along with guest chef Bud Taylor

of Topsail Bistro, offer up a Harvest Dinner fundraiser for the Bellamy Mansion Museum. The site for the unique dinner is the historic downtown Dudley Mansion home, hosted by owner Kimberly Hayden. Tickets are \$175 and include two vintage cocktails, five courses, and wine pairings. Reservations are required. Info: bellarymansion.org

14 **BACK DOOR KITCHEN TOUR**
Downtown Wilmington
Residents of Old

Wilmington's annual Back Door Kitchen Tour fundraiser is 11 a.m.-5 p.m. The self-guided tour lets ticketholders stop in nine homes in Wilmington's downtown historic district. This year's tour includes a Front Street mansion with views of the Cape Fear River view, actor Dennis Hopper's former condo, and others. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 the day of the tour. Info: rowilmington.org

14 **FINE ART EXHIBITION & SALE**
Brunswick Forest
Art in the Forest's second annual Fine Art Exhibition

& Sale showcasing Brunswick Forest artists take 10 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Leland Room of the Brunswick Forest Fitness and Wellness Center, 2701 Brunswick Forest Parkway, in Leland. The event is free and open to the public. Info: Facebook.com/ArtintheForestBF

19 **RANKY TANKY**
UNCW Kenan Auditorium
Charleston, South Carolina-based band
Ranky Tanky performs at

Kenan Auditorium as part of UNCW Presents in cooperation with the Upperman African American Cultural Center. Ranky Tanky, fronted by vocalist Quiana Parler, celebrates the timeless music of Gullah culture born in the Southeastern U.S. Sea Island region. Tickets range from \$15 to \$40, and the show starts at 7:30 p.m. Info: uncw.edu/arts/

21 **NORTH CAROLINA OYSTER FESTIVAL**
Ocean Isle Beach
THROUGH OCTOBER 22
The thirty-seventh annual North Carolina Oyster

Festival features food, arts and crafts vendors, live bands, and of course oysters – including oyster eating, oyster shucking, and oyster stew contests. A shag contest takes place Sunday. Tickets are \$5 for adults, and admission is free for children under 12. Info: ncoysterfestival.com

21 **WILMINGTON MUSIC FESTIVAL**
Thalian Hall
The new Wilmington Music Festival kicks off with a grand opening

gala concert. Set to appear is special guest soprano Christine Weidinger, who has starred in many of the world's major opera houses. Nancy King, Nikoleta Rallis, and Alexei Mejouev are among the other voice performers and musicians for the event. The gala starts at 7:30. Info: wilmingtonmusicfestival.org