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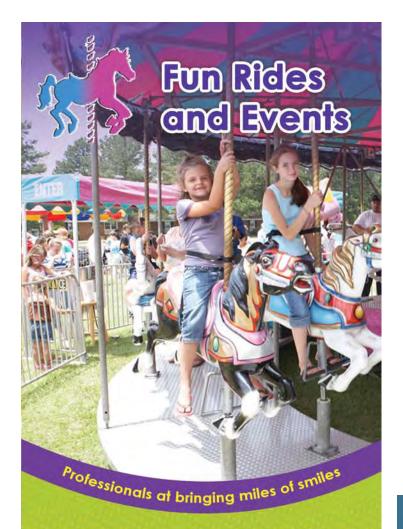




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Saturday, January 26 3:00 – 5:00 pm

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We will meet as a group and carpool to the Tour at 3:00 You may sign-up and pay at the Midway room if you didn't pre-pay.

NC Music Factory

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4:00 – 6:00 pm

REGISTRATION

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Midway

6:30 - 8:00 pm

Networking Dinner Out

Join other delegates to dine at establishments around Charlotte University Place Hilton. Meet on the Main Floor Lobby to go in groups.

8:00 - 11:00 pm

Hospitality Suite Social and Networking

Harris Room/Lobby

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EXHIBITOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 27

9:00 – 4:00 pm Registration 8:30 - 10:45 am **Exhibitor Load-In** 11:00 - 1:00 pm **Exhibit Hall Open** 11:30 am - 12:30 pm Lunch in Exhibit Hall **Exhibit Hall Open** 3:00 - 4:15 pm

Midway Lakeshore Ballroom Lakeshore Ballroom





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Exhibitors as of 1/17/13

SUNDAY CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 27

8:30 - 10:45 am

9:00 – 4:00 pm

11:00 – 1:00 pm

11:00 - 4:00 pm

11:30 – 12:30 pm

Exhibitor Load-In REGISTRATION

EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

Excellence Award Entries on exhibit

EXHIBIT HALL LUNCH SERVED

SILENT AUCTION OPENS

12:20 – 12:45 pm Showcasing Performance Musical Artist: Carrie Marshall Trio

12:45 – 1:00 pm **2012 Survey Results Preview**

Speaker: Wayne W. Smith, PhD, College of Charleston

1:00 - 1:45 pm **Keynote Address** University Ballroom

Lakeshore Ballroom

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Prefunction Area

Midway

Welwyn

Keynote Address Sponsored by: Brinkley Entertainment, Inc.



NC Goes Hollywood-Film Tourism in North Carolina

Bull Durham, Dirty Dancing, Last of the Mohicans, The Hunger Games and Iron Man 3 all have one thing in common–they were all filmed in North Carolina. The booming film industry has created a unique tourism industry in our state. Find out how this tourism segment is growing and what impact it has on North Carolina's economy.

Keynote Speaker: Wit Tuttell, Director of Tourism Marketing, NC Division of Tourism, Film and Sports Development



Wit has more than 19 years of experience in the tourism industry including serving as the Public Relations Director for the St. Petersburg/Clearwater Area Convention & Visitors Bureau. He also was manager for international and trade publicity at Universal Studios Florida and worked in the PR department for the Orlando/Orange County Convention & Visitors Bureau. He was also a reporter for the Anchorage (Alaska) Times.

Wit has a journalism degree from the University of Florida, is a member of the Society of American Travel Writers and the Public Relations Society of America. He also serves on the Communications Committee for the U.S. Travel Association (formerly the Travel Industry Association).



Sunday, January 27 continued

2:00 – 2:55 pm Concurrent Sessions

Session A

Walden

Round Tables-Idea Exchange

Topics:

- You Have a Committee Now What? How do we engage them in the planning process?
- Won't you Be My Neighbor? A festival's relationship with the community (ways to effectively involve and include your local community)
- 007: License to Play Music licensing and your festival

Session B

Lakeview

Free Speech Zones

What can your patrons say and where can they say it? How events can balance freedom of speech and the public well-being at the same time.

Speaker: Dana Clemons, City of Fayetteville, Assistant City Manager

Dana C. Clemons is a native of Hickory, NC. Dana earned her Juris Doctor from Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, NC after graduating magna cum laude from North Carolina Central University in Durham, NC with a degree in Business Administration-Management. She has been a licensed attorney in the state of North Carolina for over 10 years. Her practice experience includes criminal defense, family law, social services, municipal, and personnel law. Dana has received awards and honors for trial advocacy and ethics. Currently, she is an assistant city attorney for the City of Fayetteville, NC where she assists the City in navigating complex First Amendment issues. Dana also provides legal advice to the City of Fayetteville's Human Resources, Management Services, Transit, Community Development, and Fire Departments.

Session C

Glenwaters

Food Safety

A lot of new changes to food safety laws affecting Festivals are now in effect. Learn what these are and how they impact your event

Speaker: Judy Daye, NC Department of Health and Human Services

Judy Daye is an EHRS with the NC Department of Public Health, Food Protection and Facilities Branch. Prior to becoming a regional specialist in May 2000 she worked as an Environmental Health Specialist in the Food, Lodging and Institution programs with Alamance County Health Department and Albemarle Health District. Judy was the chair of the Temporary Food Establishment rule writing workgroup who is responsible for the current rules that went into effect September 1, 2012. She assists the Departments Plan Review Engineer with plan review issues relating to food processes and procedures for chain and franchise food establishments. Her region includes Anson, Cabarrus, Davidson, Iredell, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Randolph, Rowan, Stanly, and Union Counties. Judy is a graduate of UNC-CH School of Public Health.



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3:00 – 3:45 pm

Special Session

Life after College: Young Festival Management

Your time in the classroom is nearly done. Now what? It is time to become a professional in the field. The discussion will allow attendees to gain a perspective of festival and event management from their soon to be colleagues.

Presenters: Members from NCAF&E

3:00 - 4:15 pm

EXHIBIT HALL OPEN
SILENT AUCTION OPEN
AFTERNOON BREAK

Lakeshore Ballroom Prefunction Area

Lakeview

Break Sponsored by: Fun Rides & Events

Fun Rides and Events

4:15 – 5:10 pm

Concurrent Sessions

Session A

Walden

Are we there yet? Trends in Festival Management Over the Past Five Years

The purpose of this session is to reveal the results of an annual festival director/manager survey (2008 – 2012). The presentation will reveal insights related to trends, budgeting and human resources over the past five years. Specifically, this study reveals how festival directors/ managers reacted to the change in the economy and have since managed the recovery period to date. The session will form the base of a discussion to attempt to project how the festival industry will evolve over the next few years.

Speaker: Wayne W. Smith, PhD, College of Charleston

Session B

Social Media & Your EventTweeting, Facebook postings, and more! How your event can use the new social media to boost its image and presence.

Speakers: Nathan Richie, NR Creative Charlotte, NC;

Nathan Richie is the founder and President of Charlotte, North Carolina based NR Creative Group, an integrated marketing firm that helps companies and individuals expand their growth opportunities using a breadth of advertising, exhibit, branding, and social media strategies and tactics. For more than 20 years, he's provided effective solutions to a broad range of local, regional and national companies on a project or contract basis. Richie is well-known cheerleader for the Social Media explosion seen these past few years; it's marketing potential for brands, the level of engagement it allows with audiences and the parallels it shares with the broadcasting industry. He's the past (2010) President and Chairman for the Charlotte chapter of the Social Media Breakfast and SocialMediaCharlotte.com.



Session C

Glenwaters

Lakeview

Event Safety & Crowd Management

Safety First! How do you accomplish this goal and manage large crowds of people! Find out from those who know how to do it best!

Speakers: Sgt. Eric Dow, Fayetteville Police Department;

Charles Kimble, Assistant Police Chief

Sergeant Dow has been with the Fayetteville Police Department for 18 ½ years. The last 12 years he has been assigned to Operations Support where he has served as the Special Event coordinator for the Department. Fayetteville has approximately 100 special events a year to include two large events, the Dogwood Festival and International Folk Festival. Sergeant Dow has been instrumental in balancing the City and event organizer's needs to insure safe and productive events.

Sgt. Eric Dow

5:00 – 6:30 pm 6:30 – 7:30 pm

7:00 – 10:30 pm

SILENT AUCTION OPEN (Final bids taken at 6:25)

Buffet Dinner

Entertainment Showcase

Prefunction Area University Ballroom University Ballroom

7:00 – 10:30 pm Entertainment Showcase

University Ballroom

An evening to mingle, make new friends and enjoy catching up with collegues while talents explode on stage to showcase what they've got! You'll want to shake it up on the dance floor after the buffet and cash bar...so fire up your booty!



Hannibal For more than eighteen years, Hannibal has delivered entertaining programs for audiences around the world. A veteran of street magic, comedy clubs and banquet-style entertainment for companies that span the globe, he has successfully created and presented programs for corporate clients including Ford Motor Company, Philip Morris, American Eurocopter and many more.



Lauren Light Lauren Light and her pop rock band have been booked weekly after forming in June Of 2011. Playing a variety festivals, fairs, and events such as the 2012 Rugby World Cup, opening up for "Hinder" and Dia Frampton, of "The Voice". She has made a huge splash into the music scene from being named 2012 BEST ROCK FEMALE in the Carolina Music Awards, having her song "Stay With Me" featured in a local North Carolina Clothing commercial, releasing successful music videos, and gaining press from local and national media. Light is just beginning her career, but the future is already looking bright.



PUSHH is one of the most exciting bands to come out of the Carolinas in recent years. This impressive five piece group gives audiences of all ages a fun, high energy, entertaining show featuring the hits of yesterday and today. Their show is full of a variety of FUN danceable songs the entire family will enjoy by such artists as Van Morrison, Rick Springfield, Wild Cherry, Maroon 5, Kenny Loggins, Train and more! With those magical four part harmonies, those great memorable songs and a FUN entertaining show suitable for all ages, PUSHH provides each and every audience with one memorable entertainment experience!



Too far your What began as nothing more than a simple demo recording has evolved into demo recording has evolved into something

Too Far Gone began as a trio consisting of quitar and mandolin player (Joey Doss), dobro (Jordan Roberson), and vocals (Carri Smithey) and expanded with the addition of Smithey-Family members Josh (quitar/vocals) and Kevin (drums) as well as bass player Chris Comer. The band made their debut show at Shinefest in Madison, NC and later was given a huge break by Bonnie Talyor Reed from Back Porch Orchestra to open at the Fat Frogg in Elon. Since then, Too Far Bone won the Battle of the bands twice and the Rise and Shine competition against some of the best bands from east TN and Western NC.



atlantic Groove If you like dance music, beach music, oldies, newbies, funk, rock, a little country and just good party music, you will LOVE Atlantic Groove.

Based out of Salisbury, North Carolina this band is taking the Carolina's and Virginia music scene by storm! Their new, hit song "Crazy Bout That Woman in Red" is all over the air-waves and has reached the number 1 chart position on several beach music radio shows throughout the region. In addition the band was nominated for Best New Artist by the 2012 Carolina Beach Music Awards. These guys are truly a breath of fresh air: they're talented, passionate, hard-working, organized, and most of all... they're FUN!

Sound & Lights Draughon



On the Border from Charlotte, NC continues to be one of the most exciting and authentic bands on the Tribute Scene. Replicating the detail of the Eagles music has been the forte of "On the Border" since its inception. Together they reproduce both the original and live recordings of the Eagles throughout the years with blazing guitar harmonies, multiple acoustic guitars, keys, percussion and their harmonies have been said to capture the feeling of seeing and hearing the Eagles themselves!



Matt Stratford got his start playing shows in Maryland, Virginia and Washington D.C., before moving south in 2008 to become one of the most sought after musicians in the Charlotte-Metro area. With the perfect blend of classically trained vocals and years of experience, Matt is sure to make your event memorable. He excels no matter what the venue, ranging from small intimate settings to entertaining large crowds at festivals and events. His song list is influenced by different genres such as Pop, Soul, Classic Rock, Country and Top 40 tunes, tailored by you, to add a personal touch to your event. Matt is a full-time musician and can be booked as an acoustic solo artist, duo and with his full plugged-in band, "The Matt Stratford Band".



Big Bang Boom is a 3-piece power pop band from Greensboro, NC playing parent-friendly children's music. They mix multi-genre styles to create a sound that parents can enjoy, and lyrics everyone can relate to. The live show is high-energy, and gets the crowd involved with the "Spongebob Chorus" or "the parents vs. the kids Hokey Pokey Challenge". These covers combined with the hard-rockin' original music has made them the highest demand children's act in NC, playing nearly 30 shows a month in the spring and summer months. Established in 2007, Big Bang Boom has released 2 cds, been invited to play the prestigious Lake Eden Arts Festival (LEAF), Musikfest, NASCAR Coca Cola 600 Festival, morning television appearances, run the Big Bang Boom Rock Star Music Camp, and played countless libraries, schools, and other events around in the Carolinas.



Carrie Marshall has an amazing ability to wrap her heart and voice around a lyric, infusing each song she sings with a power and poignancy all her own.

Whether singing her original songs or favorite pop, blues or jazz standards, Carrie delivers a musical punch you won't soon forget.

TO BOOK A PERFORMER, CONTACT THEIR AGENCY...

Performer	Agent	Phone	Internet
Lauren Light	Lauren Light	336-287-6512	www.laurenlight.com
Matt Stratford Band	Key Signature Entertainment	704-568-1968	www.keysignatureonline.com
On The Border	East Coast Entertainment	828-232-5223	www.eastcoastentertainment.com
Hannibal	Key Signature Entertainment	704-568-1968	www.keysignatureonline.com
Pushh	IMAGINE Music Group	704-596-0342	www.imaginemusicgroup.com
Too Far Gone	Crewser Entertainment & Promotions	336-504-4144	www.crewserpromos.com
Atlantic Groove	Green Dot Music	704-531-1950	www.greendotmusic.com
Musical artists performing before the Keynote and Awards Luncheon:			
Carrie Marshall	Key Signature Entertainment	704-568-1968	www.keysignatureonline.com
Big Bang Boom	East Coast Entertainment	828-232-5223	www.eastcoastentertainment.com

MONDAY CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Monday, January 23

8:00 am – Noon 8:00 am - Noon

REGISTRATION **EXHIBIT HALL OPEN**

Midway Lakeshore Ballroom Midway

8:00 - 9:15 am

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Prefunction Area

8:15 - 9:00 am

Coffee, Tea & Pastries Sponsored by: SE Systems, Inc.

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9:15 - 10:10 am

Danny Sellers

Association Meeting with Election of Officers

Concurrent Sessions

Session A

Walden

ABC Regulations Update

Does your Festival have alcohol? Do you know the latest rules that apply when you do? Get the newest update on this important area.

Speaker: Danny Sellers, Vice-President, Alcohol Risk Reduction Training Institute

Danny Sellers is a knowledgeable and respected professional who has worked in the alcohol business as an investigator and trainer for over 25 years. He is recognized as one of the leading experts in North Carolina regarding alcohol laws, regulations, dram shop liability, responsible beverage service training and trade practice laws. Sellers began his career in state government as a Probation Surveillance officer. In 1986 he became a North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement Agent (ALE). In 2000, he was recruited to become the first Director of Education and Training for the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control omission. During his career, Sellers has conducted responsible beverage service training for thousands of employees and led numerous criminal and administrative investigations.

After retiring in 2009, he joined Show Pros Entertainment Services Inc., as the VP of Training and created an Alcohol Risk education Training Institute. The Institute provides consulting and training

for government agencies and private businesses.

Session B

Lakeview

Mission Central:

Creating & Implementing an Efficient Event Command Center

How do you most effectively manage your event? Learn how creating a command center can streamline your event and centralize your resources.

Speakers: Lt. Joe Clifton, Cary Police Department

Barry Jones, Battalion Chief, Cary Fire/Rescue

Lieutenant Clifton has been employed with the Cary Police Department and served in the Army for 9 years prior to coming to Cary. While at Cary Lieutenant Clifton has served as a member of the Emergency Response Team, Wake County Search and Recovery Dive Team, and Motor Officer. He has served as the Commander of the Traffic Division, is currently the Lieutenant in the Professional Standards Division and is the Special Events Coordinator for the department. Lieutenant Clifton is a certified North Carolina General Instructor as well as a specialized Firearms Instructor. He is responsible for the firearms program for the agency as well as the other firearms instructors.

Lt. Joe Clifton

Battalion Chief Barry Jones has worked with the Town of Cary for 23 years as a member of the Cary Fire Department. He currently manages four fire districts, eight companies and 37 employees. He is married with 3 children and loves people and anything out doors.

Chief Barry Jones

Session C

Festival & Event Marketing

You've planned the perfect event, but it still needs attendees. Find out innovative ways to make that happen!

Speaker: April Coble, Launch Media & Marketing, Clemmons, NC



April Coble

April Coble is the founder and Chief Idea Architect at Launch Media & Marketing. April has been and leader in the marketing industry for twenty years and has provided event marketing, branding and social media services for clients across the U.S. and Internationally.

1:00 - 1:45 pm

Closing Keynote

University Ballroom

Glenwaters

The state of the State: North Carolina Tourism Update for 2013

A review of the state of tourism in North Carolina. What happened in 2012 and what's to come.

Keynote Speaker: Brooks Luquire, Luquire George Andrews, Charlotte, NC



Brooks Luquire

As Account Supervisor, Brooks Luquire leads Luquire George Andrews' day-to-day efforts on the North Carolina Department of Commerce's Division of Tourism, Film and Sports Development, Carolina Panthers, Hendrick Motorsports/Automotive Group, NFL Physicians Society and Charlotte 49ers Football.

11:00 am - Noon

11:00 – 11:55 am

EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

Excellence Award Entries on exhibit

12:00 – 12:30 am Excellence Awards Showcasing Performance

Musical Artist: Big Bang Boom

12:30 - 2:00 pm 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Awards Luncheon 2013 Showfest Excellence Awards Presentation

Exhibitor Load-Out

Lakeshore Ballroom Welwyn University Ballroom

University Ballroom University Ballroom

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2013 SHOWFEST EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The 2013 ShowFest Awards Committee is excited to offer this year's ShowFest Excellence Awards to members of the North Carolina Association of Festival & Events. Awards are part of the industry's reward and recognition programs. The ShowFest Excellence Awards are a long standing tradition of highlighting the best and brightest of festivals, events and associates across the Carolinas. Our full membership is dedicated to identifying the professionals that raise the bar and provide outstanding examples. We also use this program as a way to set new goals and standards for the profession. We can all learn from each other and give a hardy round of applause to those who distinguish themselves with great work.

While many of the award categories lend to self-nomination, we encourage all planners and associates to take a wider look within our membership and submit nominations for other members who are leaders, do outstanding work and deserve recognition.

Size Distinction
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Small = Festival Overall Budget of \$25,000 - \$65,000
Small = Festival Overall Budget \$65,000 +
Medium = Festival Overall Budget \$65,000 +
Large = Festival Overall





2013 AWARD CATEGORIES

- 1 Event of the Year
- 2 Director of the Year
- 3 Volunteer of the Year
- 4 Sponsor of the Year
- 5 Supporting Member of the Year
- 6 Rising Star Award
- 7 Green Award
- 8 Best ShowFest Exhibitor
- 8 Best Press Kit
- 9 Best Non-Print Media
- 10 Best Event Photo
- 11 Best Sponsorship Packet
- 12 Best Merchandise
- 13 Best Event Website
- 14 Best Supporting Member Website
- 15 Best Merchandise (small, medium, large)
- 16 Best Brochure (small, medium, large)
- 17 Best Print Media (small, medium, large)
- 18 Best Event Poster (small, medium, large)
- 19 Best T-shirt (small, medium, large)



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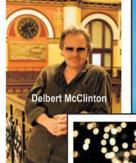
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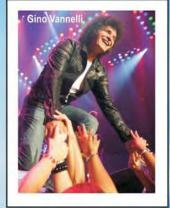




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KAY K. SAINTSING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

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The Kay K. Saintsing Memorial Scholarship was established in 2005 to honor the late founder of the North Carolina Association of Festivals and Events (NCAF&E). Kay was a leader within the tourism community and highly admired for her commitment to public service. She also founded several other non-profit organizations including the annual Barbecue Festival in Lexington, North Carolina. Under her direction, the festival became one of the largest one-day events in North Carolina and had received numerous, national and regional awards.

Sadly on June 7, 2002, the tourism industry and NCAF&E lost a leader and visionary to a heart arrhythmia; her family received countless cards and condolence letters.

Here are just a few of the wonderful words written about Kay:

Kay was an outstanding individual who was highly regarded by many for her leadership and hard work both locally and statewide. Those of us in the NC Tourism industry, and many others across the state, will miss her leadership, energy and wonderful attitude on life."

— Lynn D. Minges, Director of the NC Dept. Of Commerce Tourism, Film and Sports Development

"Our community has benefited from her many efforts." — Congressman Howard Coble

"She was a tireless advocate for North Carolina's tourism industry and her extraordinary service to others will long be remembered." — *NCTIA*

"She was so very special." — Bob Timberlake

"She was an affirmer, an encourager, a helper and a visionary." — Rev. Jerry Moore

"Her life will continue because she invested in the lives of others." — Rev. Ray Howell

Annually, a \$1000 scholarship will be awarded to a returning student at a North Carolina college or university. Students from all campuses, who meet the requirements, may apply. In 2006, Andrew Hawley, a student at North Carolina State University, was the recipient of the first Annual Kay K. Saintsing Memorial Scholarship. We are proud to have awarded a total of five scholarships to deserving students thus far.

NCAF&E wishes this award to be made to a student who has serious academic pursuits, who loves learning and who is interested in the breadth of learning in relation to recreation and tourism.

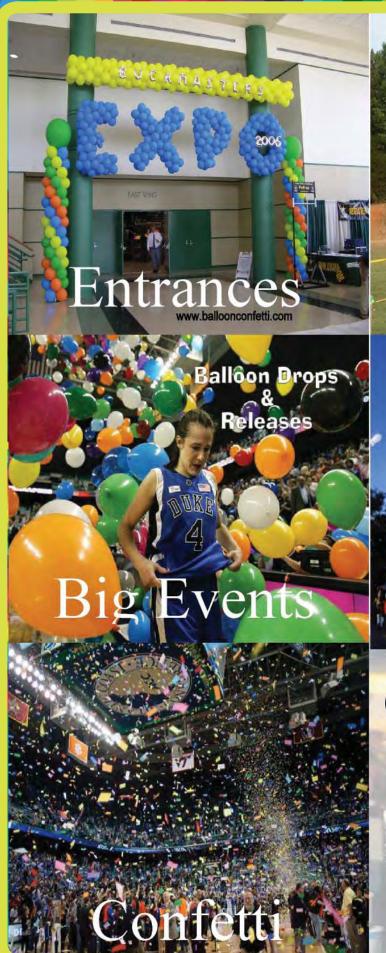
The Executive Board of the NCAF&E has established the selection criteria and process for this award by recognizing Kay Saintsing's intentions when she initiated NCAF&E, the criteria is:

- Minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average, with no grade earned lower than a "C".
- Enrolled as a full-time student at a college or university in North Carolina
- Must have sophomore or junior standing
- Must be returning to his or her home university the next year
- Must be a Parks, Recreation or Tourism Management major
- The recipient must attend the annual ShowFest Conference

The NCAF&E Executive Board will review all essays and applications. The recipient of the scholarship will be announced during the ShowFest Awards luncheon on Monday, January 28.



First Scholarship Recipient - Andrew Hawley A Student of NC State University







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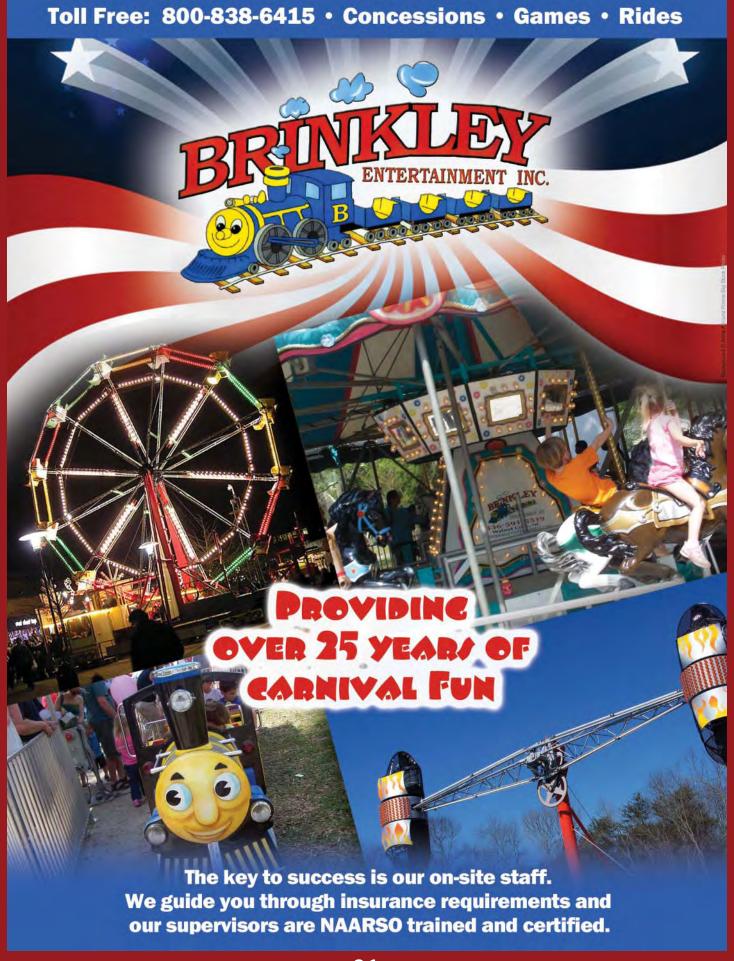
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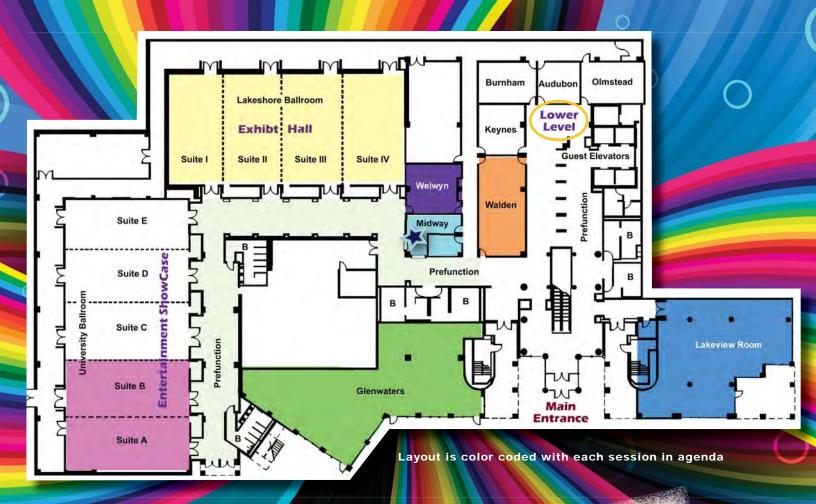
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