

SMOKY MOUNTAINS STORYTELLING FESTIVAL

Co-hosted by the City of Pigeon Forge and the Smoky Mountain Storytellers Association

Thursday, JUNE 10th, 2010 – Saturday, JUNE 12th, 2010

Location Key: **GM** = Grand Majestic (125 Music Mountain Dr. off Teaster Lane)
SS = Spirit of the Smokies Condos Lodge (2385 Parkway)


2010 Featured Storytellers

Willy Claflin
Lyn Ford
Mary Hamilton

Michael Reno Harrell
2009 Grand Torchbearer Rixon Lane
Elizabeth Rose

Larry Kelley & Rick Love
Smoky Mountain Storytellers

THURSDAY, June 10th


- 9:00am – 10:30am Youth Workshop (SS) – “Getting to Know You” – Elizabeth Rose & Rixon Lane
Adult Workshop (GM) – “Tell It: Making the Story Your Own” – Lyn Ford
- 10:30am - 12:00pm Youth Workshop (SS) – “Fractured Fairy Tales” – Willy Claflin
Adult Workshop (GM) – “Parents as Storytellers” – Mary Hamilton
- 1:30pm – 3:30pm Afternoon Concert (GM) – 2009 Grand Torchbearer Rixon Lane, Larry Kelley, and Michael Reno Harrell
- 3:30pm – 5:30pm Swapping Grounds (GM) (Share your story on stage before a live audience)
- 5:00pm – 6:00pm Listening Post open (GM) (Share your story one-on-one, recorded tape available upon request)
- 6:00pm Evening Concert (GM) – Lyn Ford; Mary Hamilton; Willy Claflin
- 8:00pm  The Grand Majestic cordially invites all Smoky Mountains Storytelling Festival weekend pass holders to a complimentary show by the Temptations! Show time is 8:00pm each evening. (Your weekend pass will serve as your ticket.)
- 8:30pm Late Night Concert (SS) *sponsored by the Smoky Mountain Storytellers Association*
Tall Tales & Laughable Lies, with Michael Reno Harrell and SMSA tellers
- Individual ticket required. All proceeds to benefit the Smoky Mountain Storytellers Association
- Held at the Spirit of the Smokies Condos (2385 Parkway)

FRIDAY, June 11th

- 9:00am – 10:30am Youth Workshop (SS) – “Audience Participation Tales” – Mary Hamilton
Adult Workshop (GM) – “Crafting Family Stories” – Millie Sieber
- 10:30am - 12:00pm Youth Workshop (SS) – “Basics of Telling” – Larry Kelley
Adult Workshop (GM) – “Finding Your Own Voice” – Michael Reno Harrell
- 1:30pm – 3:30pm Afternoon Concert (GM) – Mary Hamilton, Michael Reno Harrell, and Willy Claflin
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 “Haunts N’ Haints” with Mary Hamilton and SMSA tellers
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SATURDAY, June 12th

- 9:00am – 10:30am Youth Workshop (GM) – “Showtime! You know your tale, now what?” – Susan Fulbright
 Adult Workshop (SS) – “Puppetry” – Willy Claflin
- 10:30am - 12:00pm Youth Workshop (GM) – “Heartworks”: Encouraging Personal Story through Games and Crafts – Lyn Ford
 Adult Workshop (SS) – “Learn a Folktale Today” – Mary Hamilton
- 1:30pm – 3:30pm Afternoon Concert (GM) – Elizabeth Rose, Michael Reno Harrell and Lyn Ford
- 3:30pm – 5:30pm NYSS CONCERT (GM), Emcee – 2009 Grand Torchbearer Rixon Lane
- 5:00pm – 6:00pm Listening Post open (GM) (Share your story one-on-one, recorded tape available upon request)
- 6:00pm Evening Concert (GM) – 2009 Grand Torchbearer Rixon Lane, Mary Hamilton, 2010 NYSS Grand Torchbearer, Willy Claflin
 (NYSS awards presented right before intermission)
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- 8:30pm Late Night Concert (SS) *sponsored by the Smoky Mountain Storytellers Association*
 Late Night Cabaret (these ain’t your momma’s stories), Lyn Ford and SMSA Tellers –
(story content may be too sophisticated for younger audiences)
 - Individual ticket required. All proceeds to benefit the Smoky Mountain Storytellers Association
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\$25 Weekend Pass

\$10 One-Day Pass

Weekend and one-day tickets may be purchased NOW by calling the Grand Majestic Theater at (865) 774-7777. Late Night Concert admissions not included in weekend or one-day passes.

Late Night Concert Admission \$5

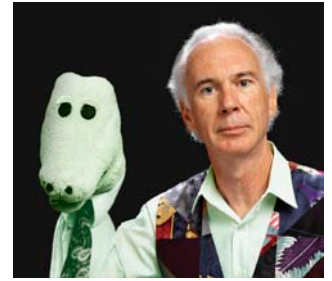
Payable by cash or check at the door ONLY

LUNCH AND DINNER AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ON-SITE AT THEATER EVERY DAY

**Schedule and artists subject to change without notice.

2010 Featured Tellers:

Willy Claflin – Willy, who travels from California with his sidekick Maynard Moose and many others has been a headliner at the National Storytelling Festival in Jonesborough, TN, and is the last known teller of Mother Moose Tales. A Harvard graduate, Willy has studied in Paris, Scotland and Jakarta Indonesia. Willy shares a wealth of stories and ballads collected from all over the world. You will often see him with his favorite traveling companion, (besides his wife and conspirator, Jacqueline) Maynard Moose and perhaps some of his other friends, Boring Beaver, Socklops, Dr. Al or Gorf.



Mary Hamilton – Mary, tells Kentucky Tales, world folk and fairytales, legends “and even some true stories.” Mary has appeared at festivals from Florida to Oregon. When Mary takes the stage, the show unfolds in the hearts and minds of the audience. In her straightforward “just talking” style, Mary uses her voice and her body to tell stories. Her audiences watch, listen, imagine, and create worlds.

Michael Reno Harell – Michael is an award-winning songwriter, as well as a veteran storyteller and entertainer from the mountains of Southern Appalachia. In addition to storytelling appearances, Michael has been featured at major music events including MerleFest and the Walnut Valley Festival. One could compare Michael's performances to his granddaddy's pocket knife: well worn and familiar feeling, but razor sharp and with a point. His brand of entertainment appeals to a very diverse audience.



Lyn Ford – Lyn is a fourth-generation storyteller from Ohio. Lyn shares from her family's multicultural African American, or “Afrilachian”, oral traditions; in folktale adaptations and original stories she calls “Home-Fried Tales,” seasoned with rhythm, rhyme, interaction, humor, and heart. Lyn is also an Ohio teaching artist in a state-based collaborative of the Kennedy Centre for the Arts, a story artist with the Greater Columbus (Ohio) Artists-in-Schools Program, and a Thurber House mentor for young authors.

Elizabeth Rose – Elizabeth shares stories woven with wit, humor, and expressive enthusiasm. She has the ability to mesmerize her listeners, transporting them through her image-laden tales of other times and cultures. She has thrilled children and adults alike with her vivacious storytelling in classrooms, festivals, and conferences around the country. She is truly captivating in voice, song and presentation!



Larry Kelley - Storyteller, Larry Kelley, is a talented full-time storyteller from Chuckey, Tennessee. He has a knack for getting people to fall in love with the art of storytelling. While his hilarious tales of humor hooks some people, his inspirational or historical stories capture others. His goal is to enhance the art of storytelling by using his God-given talent to share performance spirited stories that entertain, enlighten, and uplift all listeners.

Rick Love - Born in East Tennessee, he grew up to love the mountains and its people. He crafts stories that presents typical life in East Tennessee of the late eighteen hundreds through today. His stories pull on every emotion of the storytelling listener to transport him or her to another place and time. Rick is a teller of original stories, tall tales, historical fiction, spiritual, Native American, scary and children stories.



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