The Bear Wants You As A Friend

Bear on the Square is looking for some new Friends. All those who love our festival and come back year after year are invited to become a Friend to help us bring you great free music, free workshops, and a free festival for two days every April.

Here's how you can provide your support to this exciting event each year where we celebrate the culture of the Southern Appalachians through music, traditional craft and folkways.

Bear on the Square has set up an exclusive new organization of individuals who lend vital support through their yearly memberships in Friends of Bear. And because Bear on the Square is a non-profit organization, with all proceeds going back into presenting the yearly festival and also supporting other efforts to maintain awareness of our regional culture, most of the membership fee is tax deductible.

It costs a lot of money to stage a major event like Bear on the Square, including providing facilities, paying the featured performers, printing promotional materials, etc. We depend on a large group of volunteers who work for many months to put on each year's festival, and a portion of the costs are paid by our treasured group of sponsors.

Since, each year, additional funds are needed, that's where Friends of Bear will be able to play a significant role.

In addition to receiving our sincere appreciation for their continued support, the group of Friends of Bear for the 17th annual festival will be sent various festival-related items based on their level of contribution. Following is a listing of contribution levels and items to be awarded:

Bear Patron: contribution of $100. Each Bear Patron will receive an embroidered men's or women's Friend of Bear T-shirt or cap bearing a special design available only to Bear Patrons, or a CD of 2012 festival performers and a festival pin. All patrons also receive a festival bumper sticker and a festival instrument case sticker.

Click here for the Bear Gift selection form.

Bear Jammer: contribution of $50. Each Bear Jammer will receive a professionally designed festival poster(a collector's item), a festival bumper sticker, and a festival instrument case sticker.

Bear Family: contribution of $25. Each contributor at this level will receive two festival bumper stickers and two festival instrument case stickers or 2 festival pins.

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Bear Cub: contribution of $15. Each Bear Cub will receive one festival bumper sticker and one festival instrument case sticker.

To submit by USPS mail, please mail check along with mailing and email addresses, and phone number to:

Friends of Bear, 664 Crooked Creek Drive, Dahlonega, GA 30533.

Contact Jim for more information

The Bear on the Square Mountain Festival Inc. is a 501C(3) corporation with the purpose of preserving and showcasing the authentic culture of the Georgia mountains and the Southern Appalachian region.

Click here for Our New Friends for 2013

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**Click here for the 2012 Friends of Bear **

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