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## **Be Entertained at the Salt Fork Festival**

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Cambridge, OH (June 8, 2017) - Artists and craftsmen will be the featured attractions at the 48<sup>th</sup> Salt Fork Arts & Crafts Festival. A variety of artistic creations will be on hand from oil and watercolor paintings to jewelry and woodcarvings. You're sure to find an artistic touch to enjoy as you stroll through the Cambridge City Park on August 11, 12, and 13.

When you want to take a break, head to the Performing Arts Tent or the Big Park Pavilion for a wide variety of musical entertainment. At this time there are several groups scheduled to perform from gospel and bluegrass to bands and dancers. There's a special touch of music for everyone.

Getting area youngsters involved helps them learn the value of community participation. The outstanding PanJGea, a steel drum band from John Glenn High School, brings the sound of Caribbean music to the festival grounds. Another group from John Glenn High School, the String Sounds, adds a touch of elegance as they stroll through the crowd. The Yurco Boys, consisting of three brothers: Tanner, Lane and Clayton, add the flavor of country.

A gospel quartet, The Loves, and a Celtic group, The Ladies of Longford, have a rich blend of voices that only families can produce. Both groups have dynamic harmony and vary their program to keep audiences coming back for more.

Southridge Bluegrass will be making their first appearance at the Salt Fork Festival this year. This group likes to mix in a little fun with their country sound when they perform as the House Band at the legendary Mountaineer Opry House.

Then head to the Big Pavilion to watch Dance Central students perform dances from their Spring Recital a wide variety here includes: hip-hop, jazz, ballet, and tap. Creative students help make the world a happier place.

This is also the location for Cambridge City Band, CHS Jazz Alumni Band, Cambridge Singers, and the Festival Chorus. One of the highlights of the weekend comes with that Festival Chorus, directed by Bob Jones. This group of talented local singers creates a dynamic sound of gospel and show music.

On Saturday, there will be a Classic Car Show as well as Tethered Balloon rides. Both are new this year and should add to the excitement of the festival.

As you can tell, visitors will find some great entertainment when they choose to relax after walking the grounds and viewing the juried art show in its 48<sup>th</sup> season. Come join us August 11, 12, and 13 at the Cambridge City Park. There's something for everyone at the Salt Fork Arts & Crafts Festival.

For more information about the festival, applications to participate or programs, visit [saltforkfestival.org](http://saltforkfestival.org) or call 740-705-6866.