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Cherokee market offers traditional Native American arts and crafts

CHEROKEE, N.C. – The Qualla Arts and Crafts Open Air Indian Art Market, held on Saturday, Aug. 29, promises to be one of the best ever with countless authentic handmade Cherokee items. The annual event, open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., features the work of native artisans who are members of Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, Inc.

The outdoor event will take place at Qualla Arts & Crafts Mutual, Inc., located at 645 Tsali Blvd. in Cherokee. Admission is free.

There will be live demonstrations, storytelling, and music provided by the Sound of Music. A traditional Cherokee meal will be for available for \$10 from the North American Indian Women's Association (NAIWA).

For additional information, contact: Vicki Cruz at vicki@quallaartsandcrafts.org or 828-497-3103.

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is a sovereign nation with more than 15,000 enrolled members and is the only federally recognized Native American tribe in North Carolina. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians makes its home on the 56,600-acre Qualla Boundary in five Western North Carolina counties about an hour west of Asheville and at the entrance to Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

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