

Music Opportunity for Kids and Adults

Learn to play a new instrument just in time for spring by joining the Oconee Heritage Center (OHC) for our next round of evening music lessons starting in April. Our program, called YAM, is an inexpensive way to learn traditional Appalachian music. YAM (Young Appalachian Musicians) is a program started initially in Pickens County as an after-school program, but is now extending into Oconee and Greenville counties. The Oconee program will be broken into six week increments, consisting of one 45 minute group lesson per week. Local musicians will teach instruments such as guitar, fiddle, banjo, dobro, and mandolin in a group setting, depending on the student's level of experience. All teaching will be done "by ear," the traditional Appalachian way. Students can either have their instrument approved by the instructor, or rent an instrument from YAM for only \$25 per every six weeks. Each six week program will cost only \$50.00, which is around the cost of 1 or 2 lessons elsewhere. All lessons offered will be held in Walhalla, at the Oconee Heritage Center. Students must be 8 years or older. For more information, see the form below, or call Emily Hopkins at 864-638-2224.

My child (and/or I) is interested in this YAM Program

- Name(s) of interested person(s)

a) _____
b) _____

Age of Student(s) _____ 8 yrs-10 yrs. _____ 11-13yrs _____ 14-17yrs _____ 18 and over

What instrument? Name 1st and 2nd choice. ___ Guitar ___ Fiddle ___ Banjo ___ Mandolin
___ Dobro

Level of Playing:

- ___ Beginner- Has never played or plays very little
- ___ Adv. Beginner- Has had 6 months of private or own instruction.
- ___ Intermediate- 2+ years of instruction, can play several lead parts, rhythm, and in at least 2 keys
- ___ Advanced- Plays in several keys and can play many songs "by ear". Can play lead parts as well as rhythm in many songs. Has played in jam sessions with a string band.

Do you own an instrument _____ or do you want to rent? _____

Contact Name _____ Email _____

Phone _____

Please consider these options and contact Emily Hopkins or the OHC.