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State Museum Announces *Carolina Makers* Evening Music Programs

Singers and open acoustic jam sessions held the second Tuesday and last Tuesday of each month

COLUMBIA, S.C., Monday, May 4, 2015 — The South Carolina State Museum announces two new evening music programs held the second and last Tuesday of each month in conjunction with the new art exhibition, [Carolina Makers](#). Throughout the run of the show, members of the Musicians and Songwriters Guild of South Carolina and the South Carolina Bluegrass and Traditional Music Association will provide opportunities during Second Shift Twosday for guests to listen to live music and participate in acoustic jam sessions.

- **Second Tuesday:** On the second Tuesday of each month, members from the Musicians and Songwriters Guild of South Carolina will perform inside the *Carolina Makers* exhibition located on the first floor in the Lipscomb Gallery. The dates include May 12, June 9, July 14, Aug. 11, Sept. 8, Oct. 13, Nov. 10, Dec. 8 and Jan. 12.
- **Last Tuesday:** On the last Tuesday of every month, the public is invited to bring their personal acoustic instruments and jam out with members of the South Carolina Bluegrass and Traditional Music Association inside the *Carolina Makers* exhibition located on the first floor in the Lipscomb Gallery. The dates for these open acoustic jam sessions include May 26, June 30, July 28, Aug. 25 Sept.29, Oct. 27, Nov. 24 (tentative), Dec. 29 (tentative) and Jan. 26.

Both programs will take place from 6 – 8 p.m. during Second Shift Twosday and are included with general admission (two for \$10) or museum membership. The entire museum is open during Second Shift Twosday, which takes place every Tuesday evening from 5 – 8 p.m. (Observatory is open until 10 p.m.) Visit scmuseum.org to learn more.

“We are excited to collaborate with local singers and musicians to offer unique programming to enhance our new art exhibition,” said chief curator of collections Paul Matheny. “These music programs will allow our guests to hear great music from South Carolinians and also participate in the process.”

Carolina Makers celebrates makers, artists and craftspeople that are producing handmade objects for everyday use for people locally and around the world. The exhibition, sponsored by Time Warner Cable, features a variety of makers, including instrument builders, furniture makers, metal workers, clothing designers and more. *Carolina Makers* can be seen through Feb. 7, 2016.

PHOTOS: [Click here](#) to download high-resolution photos and cutlines.

About the South Carolina State Museum: As the state’s largest and most comprehensive museum, the South Carolina State Museum offers a unique, entertaining and educational experience to visitors throughout its 225,000 square foot facility located in the heart of downtown Columbia’s Congaree Vista. The State Museum is housed in one of its greatest artifacts, an 1894 old textile mill full of character and charm. In addition to beautiful meeting spaces throughout the facility, guests can explore outer space in one of the largest planetariums in the Southeast, watch an interactive 4D movie and look through a vintage telescope in a one-of-a-kind observatory. These exciting opportunities are all in addition to the four floors of South Carolina art, cultural history, natural history and science/technology. Visit scmuseum.org to learn more.

About the Musicians and Songwriters Guild of South Carolina: The Musicians and Songwriters Guild of South Carolina is a group of singer, songwriters, musicians who gather each month to support their craft and receive support as they try to create something worth singing about. Visit scsongwriters.com to learn more.

About the South Carolina Bluegrass and Traditional Music Association: Established in 1991, the South Carolina Bluegrass and Traditional Music Association’s primary objectives are to preserve, promote, publicize and support a unique musical style through concerts, workshops and public educations programs. Visit scbtma.org to learn more.

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