

The Tennessee Valley Old Time Fiddlers Association was formed in 1967 due to overwhelming support from two local fiddling contests, thus establishing the **Tennessee**Valley Old Time Fiddlers Convention. With a stated goal of reviving the tradition of old time music, the annual event held on the historic campus of Athens State University is known as the "Granddaddy of Midsouth Fiddlers Conventions."

In 2014, legislation was passed in the State of Alabama recognizing the Tennessee Valley Old Time Fiddlers Convention as the official home of 14 state champions, including the Alabama State Fiddle Champion. Each year, hundreds of contestants come to Athens to compete for these coveted titles, joining thousands of fans who come to enjoy the music, along with "shade-tree players" who bring their own instruments to perform in impromptu jam sessions.

In addition to the competitions, which begin Friday evening at 7:00 PM, the 2024 Convention will include top-notch entertainment by Darin & Brooke Aldridge, The McLain Family Band, Authentic Unlimited, and Michael Cleveland & Flamekeeper. The Fiddlers experience is further enhanced by dozens of food vendors and over 150 area craftsmen displaying their arts and crafts, offering unique and custom-made souvenirs. Proceeds support student scholarships and various University projects.

### **ADMISSION PRICES**

WEDNESDAY FREE
THURSDAY \$20.00
FRIDAY \$20.00
SATURDAY \$20.00
3-DAY PASS \$30.00

CHILDREN UNDER 12 FREE WITH PAID ADULT. GROUP DISCOUNTS (20 OR MORE) AVAILABLE!

Purchase your tickets online!

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#### **BE SURE TO VISIT:**

### NANNY'S OLD FASHION LEMONADE CRAFT VENDOR AREA

Over 150 craft vendors offering unique and custom-made souvenirs

#### PEPSI FOOD COURT

Over a dozen food vendors offering a wide variety of delicious food

### JERRY McGLOCKLIN MUSIC STORE

(Sandridge Ballroom) Vendors selling instruments and accessories & Free Luthier Techniques Demonstrations

#### **WORKSHOPS**

Guitar, mandolin, and fiddle workshops for emerging musicians of all ages and all abilities, including the CB&S BANK STRINGS WORKSHOP.

Kares Library | Beginning Saturday at 1 PM Jam Session - 4 - 6 PM

#### FREE

# Delmore Brothers Museum & Fiddlers Museum

Located on the Ground Floor of McCandless Hall

# BANK INDEPENDENT®

BANK INDEPENDENT CASH GIVEAWAY

\$2,500

\$500 Thursday | \$1,000 Friday | \$1,000 Saturday

Support provided by the Alabama Department of Tourism





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Wednesday, October 2, 2024
Saturday, October 5, 2024

HELD ON THE CAMPUS OF



\$47,350 in CASH PRIZES

Top category winners named ALABAMA STATE CHAMPIONS

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### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2 — 7:30 PM



SPECIAL GOSPEL CONCERT — FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

# DARIN & BROOKE ALDRIDGE

MAIN STAGE, FOUNDERS HALL

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3 — 6:30 PM

# THE McLAIN FAMILY BAND

MAIN STAGE, FOUNDERS HALL



### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3 — 7:30 PM



# AUTHENTIC UNLIMITED

MAIN STAGE, FOUNDERS HALL

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4 - 6:00 PM

# DARIN & BROOKE ALDRIDGE

MAIN STAGE, FOUNDERS HALL



### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5 — 7:30 PM



# MICHAEL CLEVELAND & FLAMEKEEPER

MAIN STAGE, FOUNDERS HALL

#### LISTING OF EVENTS AND PRIZES

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

Pre-register at TVOTFC.org; Registration ends 30 minutes before each competition.

| BEGINNING AT 7:00 PM (both locations) |                           | 1st   | 2nd   | 3rd   | 4th   | 5th   | 6th   | 7th  | 8th  |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| Founders Hall                         | Harmonica (Finals)        | \$300 | \$250 | \$200 | \$150 | \$125 | \$100 | \$75 | \$50 |
| Founders Hall                         | Mandolin (Finals)         | \$300 | \$250 | \$200 | \$150 | \$125 | \$100 | \$75 | \$50 |
| Founders Hall                         | Bluegrass Banjo (Finals)  | \$300 | \$250 | \$200 | \$150 | \$125 | \$100 | \$75 | \$50 |
| Founders Hall                         | Dobro (Finals)            | \$300 | \$250 | \$200 | \$150 | \$125 | \$100 | \$75 | \$50 |
| McCandless Hall                       | Dulcimer (Finals)         | \$300 | \$250 | \$200 | \$150 | \$125 | \$100 | \$75 | \$50 |
| McCandless Hall                       | Old Time Singing (Finals) | \$300 | \$250 | \$200 | \$150 | \$125 | \$100 | \$75 | \$50 |

### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5**

Pre-register at TVOTFC.org; Registration ends 30 minutes before each competition.

|     | BEGINNIN        | G AT 9:30 AM (both locations)               | 1st     | 2nd     | 3rd     | 4th     | 5th     | 6th   | 7th   | 8th   |
|-----|-----------------|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
|     | McCandless Hall | Beginner Fiddler (Finals) (Age 10 & Under)  | \$300   | \$250   | \$200   | \$150   | \$125   | \$100 | \$75  | \$50  |
|     | McCandless Hall | Apprentice Fiddler (Finals) (Ages 11-15)    | \$300   | \$250   | \$200   | \$150   | \$125   | \$100 | \$75  | \$50  |
|     | McCandless Hall | Guitar Finger Picking (Finals)              | \$300   | \$250   | \$200   | \$150   | \$125   | \$100 | \$75  | \$50  |
|     | McCandless Hall | Guitar Flat Picking (Finals)                | \$300   | \$250   | \$200   | \$150   | \$125   | \$100 | \$75  | \$50  |
|     | McCandless Hall | Beginner Guitar (Finals) (Age 12 & Under)   | \$300   | \$250   | \$200   | \$150   | \$125   | \$100 | \$75  | \$50  |
|     | McCandless Hall | Beginner Mandolin (Finals) (Age 12 & Under) | \$300   | \$250   | \$200   | \$150   | \$125   | \$100 | \$75  | \$50  |
|     | McCandless Hall | Beginner Banjo (Finals) (Age 12 & Under)    | \$300   | \$250   | \$200   | \$150   | \$125   | \$100 | \$75  | \$50  |
|     | Brown Hall      | Appalachian Buck Dancing (2:00 PM)          | \$300   | \$250   | \$200   | \$150   | \$125   | \$100 | \$75  | \$50  |
|     | Founders Hall   | Old Time Banjo (Finals)                     | \$300   | \$250   | \$200   | \$150   | \$125   | \$100 | \$75  | \$50  |
|     | Founders Hall   | Classic Old Time Fiddler (Finals)           | \$1,000 | \$800   | \$600   | \$500   | \$400   | \$300 | \$200 | \$100 |
|     | Founders Hall   | Senior Fiddler (Finals) (Ages 55+)          | \$1,000 | \$800   | \$600   | \$500   | \$400   | \$300 | \$200 | \$100 |
|     | Founders Hall   | Old Time String Band                        | \$1,500 | \$1,250 | \$1,000 | \$750   | \$500   | \$400 | \$300 | \$200 |
|     | Founders Hall   | Bluegrass Band                              | \$1,500 | \$1,250 | \$1,000 | \$750   | \$500   | \$400 | \$300 | \$200 |
| i i | Founders Hall   | Tennessee Valley Fiddle Champion            | \$2,000 | \$1,750 | \$1,500 | \$1,250 | \$1,000 | \$750 | \$500 | \$250 |
|     |                 |   |         |         |         |         |         |       |       |       |

ADMISSION TICKET WILL PAY THE ENTRY FEE FOR ONE CATEGORY OF COMPETITION — ADDITIONAL ENTRIES ARE \$5 EACH (BANDS \$10)

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON FINALS

Old Time Band

- Appalachian Buck Dancing
- Bluegrass Band Fiddle Champion
- Winners in all other categories will be selected from first round competition with no finals.

#### MORE INFO: TVOTFC.ORG

OUTDOOR STAGES - Bring lawn chairs NO PETS allowed inside the gates RAIN LOCATION - Carter Gymnasium FREE CAMPING - No hookups available UNIQUE ARTS & CRAFTS BOOTHS DOZENS OF FOOD VENDORS