

Pickens/Easley Area

Pickens County Museum:

FREE – Tues, Wed, Fri 9:00-5:00, Thurs. 9:00-7:30, and Sat. 9:00-4:30

Website: <http://www.co.pickens.sc.us/culturalcommission/>

The Pickens County Museum of Art & History is funded in part by Pickens County, members and friends of the museum and a grant from the South Carolina Arts Commission, which receives support from the National Endowment for the Arts.

Located at the corner of Hwy. 178 at 307 Johnson Street in Pickens SC, the museum is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Admission is free but donations are welcomed.

The Museum Shop offers the work of more than 70 local and regional fine, traditional and folk artisans that represent an artistic spectrum from classical to homespun – including handcrafted jewelry, pottery and ceramics, baskets, natural fiber yarns, scarves and handbags, woodcarvings, colorful prints, Native American art, stained glass, wind chimes, note cards, folk art, soaps, beeswax candles and other specialty items. The Museum Shop features a wide array of CDs and Cassettes of southern sounds, Upcountry musicians and fascinating storytellers. We also offer a variety of educational and historical toys, as well as an assortment of books for all ages.

Hagood Mill:



FREE – National Register of Historic Places – one of the oldest surviving grist mills still producing grain products in SC, the mill operates the third Saturday of each month 9:00-4:00, Hagood Mill Road, just off Hwy 178, 3 miles north of Pickens.

Since that time the mill has operated, rain or shine, the third Saturday of every month. Within a year of this new beginning, and to extend the programming of the Pickens County Museum of Art & History, these third Saturday events become mini-festivals of traditional arts, folk life and music. Presently there are more than twenty regular demonstrators who share their skills in milling, blacksmithing, moonshining, spinning, weaving, quilting, woodcarving, flint knapping and more. Additionally, most months have an acoustic musical entertainment theme ranging from bluegrass to blues to gospel.

Keowee Toxaway State Park:

On Hwy 11, an interpretive center, museum, and boardwalk with artifacts and historical exhibits commemorate the Cherokee to whom this land once belonged. Open daily; picnic shelters 864-868-2605. **FREE**

Website: http://www.stateparks.com/keowee_toxaway.html

Eden Farms

Dacusville Hwy (135) 898-0043, can tour the barns, pet the horses, observe a riding lesson, riding lessons are \$35-\$45 per hour, summer clinics \$150.00, therapeutic riding, open Mon-Sat. Summer Day Camps also available. Check out the website for more details.