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Hill Country Festivals offers first Ren Fest of the year, in Kerrville

The first renaissance festival of the year and the only one within 100 miles of the Hill Country gets underway Jan 25, 26, 27, and Feb 2, 3, 2019, as the Kerrville Renaissance Festival returns for the third year to the River Star Arts and Events Park and Hill Country Youth Event Center in Kerrville, Texas. Hours are 10 a.m.–5 p.m. each day.

This relatively new event is hosted by Hill Country Festivals and has been expanded to five days over two consecutive weekends. Guests will find family-friendly entertainment, music, magic, food, and crafts.

Entertainment is offered on seven stages. Music will be provided by Lady Prudence, Coal Black Rose, The Dublin Harpers, The Toobadours, Klaus Weiland, and David Hazlett, Bagpiper.

Entertainment scheduled includes Last Chance Forever Birds of Prey Conservancy demonstrations, The Great Rondini Escape Artist, Marty the Juggler, Magical Mystical Michael, and Michael Goudeau, a Las Vegas performer, juggler, and comedian.

Other diversions include several Belly Dance Troupes, the Singing Executioner, and The Danger Time with Alix.

The Vinland South Shield Wolves will conduct demonstrations. There will be Archery, Glassblowing Demo, photo backdrops, games, and more.

Shoppers can browse through more than 70 vendor booths offering unique handmade crafts, including yard art, henna body art, face painting, handmade hair garlands, hair braiding, works in wood, leather garments and accessories.

Food choices on the grounds include Funnel Cake, Cinnamon Roasted Nuts, Chocolate covered Cheese Cake, Fresh Donuts, Turkey Legs, Kettle Corn, Jerky, Deep Fried Carmel Apple, Deep Fried Candy Bars, Deep Fried Oreos, and Deep Fried Pecan Pie, washed down with local craft beer.

Guests are encouraged to embrace the spirit of the festival by showing up in Renaissance era clothing and attitude. The second weekend will offer an added “Time Travelers” theme.

Prices are \$14.95 for adults and \$9.95 for children 5-12; Children 4 and under are free. Parking is free. Advance Discount tickets are available on KerrvilleRenFest.com, but will not be available once the Festival opens. Pricing, attractions, times, reservations, and advance tickets online at www.KerrvilleRenFest.com or by calling 214-632-5766. Sponsorships are available.

For accommodations and information on the Kerrville area attractions, visit kerrvilletexascvb.com.

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The Kerrville Renaissance Festival will offer two weekends of re-enactors, crafters, and entertainers to the Youth Event Center and River Star Arts and Events Park starting the last week of January.