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## Stone Mountain Park hosts 55<sup>th</sup> annual Yellow Daisy Festival

South's largest outdoor arts and crafts show Sept. 7-10

**Stone Mountain, Ga.** – Featuring over 400 artists from across the United States, Stone Mountain Park's 55<sup>th</sup> annual <u>Yellow Daisy Festival</u> will take place Sept. 7-10. Voted one of the top arts and crafts shows in the nation by Sunshine Artist Magazine, a Southeast Tourism Society Top 20 Event, and winner of multiple awards by the Southeast Festival and Events Association, the event is a tradition for multigenerational shoppers searching for unique handcrafted works of art.

Returning in 2023 is the **Yellow Daisy Vintage Village**! Located within the lower meadow of the Yellow Daisy Festival, this highly curated village of vendors will showcase antiques, vintage collectibles, and amazing farmhouse chic home goods, furniture, and décor.



Image: Vintage Village farmhouse chic and vintage finds

The Yellow Daisy Festival gets its name from the September blooming of a special type of yellow daisy which only grows within 60 miles of Stone Mountain. First discovered in 1846, *Viguiera Porteri*, grows in bright bands of yellow on the granite outcroppings of the mountain.

The first Yellow Daisy Festival took place at Stone Mountain Park in two picnic pavilions. Over half a century later, it is the Southeast's largest outdoor arts and crafts festival with more than six acres of art, crafts, music, and food to explore.

Festival crafters and artists are selected from a pool of applicants by the Yellow Daisy Festival jury to display their distinctive handmade work in categories including pottery, fabric, painting, jewelry, sculpture, fiber, photography, fine arts, and traditional arts and crafts.

During all four days of the festival, guests can watch live entertainment on the main stage including Rock, Bluegrass, Pop, R&B, Country, Gospel, DJs, and more. A beer garden will offer a place to rest, relax, and refresh before venturing out to discover more hand-crafted wares. Food trucks and festival food will be on hand as well to satisfy any cravings.

The next generation of festival fans can enjoy activities such as sand art, face painting, balloon artists, and more.

Located in the park's Special Events Meadow, admission to the festival is free with paid parking (\$20 for a one-day permit or \$40 for unlimited annual parking). Festival dates are September 7 - 10. Festival hours are Thursday, 8 AM – 6 PM, Fri – Sun, 9 AM – 6 PM.

For more information about the Yellow Daisy Festival, please visit the <u>Yellow Daisy Festival Frequently</u> <u>Asked Questions</u> website. Listed in *Frommer's 500 Places to Visit with Your Kids Before They Grow Up* and cited by the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* as one of "35 Natural Wonders in Georgia You Must See Before You Die," Stone Mountain Park is located 15 miles east of downtown Atlanta. For directions, information about attractions, and hours of operation, please call 1-800-401-2407 or visit www.stonemountainpark.com.

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