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## **“Fall Fest at The Hermitage” to draw more than 90 exhibitors**

*Tickets now on sale at Wilson Bank & Trust, [online](#)*

September 3, 2013 – More than 90 local and regional artists and artisans will display their work during “Fall Fest at The Hermitage,” on October 5-6, announced Phil Ponder, co-chair of the festival. With mediums ranging from photography, basketry and ceramics to painting, jewelry, leather, and woodwork, the ‘Artist Gallery’ will feature exciting demonstrations and artisan goods for purchase.

“There is so much excitement surrounding this festival,” said Ponder. “The Hermitage will be transformed into an artist’s and art-lover’s haven as these world class artists set up shop.”

The ‘Artist Gallery’ is one of many attractions at “Fall Fest at The Hermitage,” as exhibits and activities for families, adults and children of all ages will cover the grounds of Andrew Jackson’s home.

Tickets to “Fall Fest at The Hermitage” can now be purchased at any Wilson Bank & Trust branch location, as WB&T West Region President John Goodman has announced the bank is an exclusive ticketing partner of the event. For a list of Wilson Bank & Trust branch locations to purchase tickets in person, visit [www.wilsonbank.com/about-us/locations-hours.html](http://www.wilsonbank.com/about-us/locations-hours.html).

“We’re excited about our partnership with The Hermitage for this inaugural “Fall Fest” event and the opportunity to provide ticket sales at all our local offices,” said Goodman. “This sounds like a great way to bring friends and neighbors together in the community for an entertaining day of fun for the entire family, in conjunction with showcasing one of our local, historic treasures.”

Tickets to “Fall Fest at The Hermitage” are \$5 for adults. Children under age 11 are admitted free. All proceeds from the event will assist with operations at The Hermitage.

For more information on “Fall Fest at The Hermitage,” including a full list of artists slated for the “Artist Gallery,” information on “AJx’s” interactive children’s area at the festival, The Stacked Box Community Mural Project, live entertainment updates, and to purchase tickets online, visit [www.fallfestatthehermitage.com](http://www.fallfestatthehermitage.com).

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### **About The Hermitage**

The Hermitage, Home of President Andrew Jackson is one of the largest and most visited presidential homes in the United States. In 1856, the State of Tennessee purchased the property from the Jackson family, entrusting it to the Ladies’ Hermitage Association in 1889 to operate as one of America’s first historic site museums. Today, The Hermitage is a 1,120-acre National Historic Landmark with more than 30 historic buildings, including restored slave cabins. Thanks to efforts of this nonprofit organization, the mansion is the most accurately preserved early presidential home in the country. The Hermitage is a national model for authenticity, conservation, and historic preservation. In recent years, new interpretive initiatives and educational programs such as archaeology and the history of slavery have enhanced the experience of some 180,000 annual visitors, including 30,000 school children, from all 50 states and many foreign countries; in fact, we interpret the Hermitage mansion in five foreign languages. The property also receives 30,000 annual visits from the local community, including more than 1,000 children who play Little League baseball at The Hermitage's Rotary Park. The Hermitage is a “Partner Place” with the National Trust for Historic Preservation; and a site along the National Park Service’s Trail of Tears National Historic Trail. For more information, visit [www.thehermitage.com](http://www.thehermitage.com).

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