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News Release: Inside and Outside, Nash County Welcomes the Spring & Summer.

The Dunn Center at North Carolina Wesleyan is hosting the Golden Dragon Acrobats on April 16th. The Golden Dragon Acrobats represent the best of a time honored tradition that began 25 centuries ago. On May 10th The Dunn Center presents CJ Harding's "Sweet Dreams," a tribute to the late, great Patsy Cline. Tickets and show times at 800-303-5097.

The National Juried Art Exhibition showcases works from across the nation in mediums ranging from painting to printmaking, from sculpture to mixed media and more. Artist reception May 24th with exhibition open through June 14th. Selected works will be on exhibit at the Arts Center in The Imperial Centre for Arts & Science, 270 Gay Street, Downtown Rocky Mount.

During Mother's Day weekend in May, people come out for the Blooming Festival. Nashville, the county seat, celebrates the coming of Spring with a family weekend of great food, handmade local crafts, live music and children's rides and activities. Sponsored by the Nashville Chamber of Commerce 252-459-4050.

May 2nd through May 4 brings the PBA Southern Region Pro-Am Tournament to Rocky Mount at the Rocky Mount Bowling Center, 252-446-7707. A family atmosphere, bowling weekend, you can bowl with the pros on Friday and be a fan on Saturday and Sunday cheering on your favorite Regional Pro during top notch competition.

Inside at the Children's Museum & Science Center at The Imperial Centre in Downtown Rocky Mount, exhibits include "Microbes, Invisible Invaders" and the expanded Live Animal Gallery now exhibiting "Save Our Planet," "Elements of Life," and "Diversity in the Carolina's." A museum permanent resident is an adopted American Alligator that can be seen everyday. The Cummins digital Planetarium has daily shows (except Monday) with space travel and human body themes. For admission details and show times contact 252 972 1167.

On May 31st, Downtown Rocky Mount hosts the Hispanic Heritage Festival. This Latino themed event provides great food, live music, dancing and vendors with a Hispanic theme.

For kids of all ages Sunset Park with the antique carousel and miniature train in open weekends through May and begins a full schedule in June. The Nash Area Farmers Market offers locally grown fruits and vegetables, homemade jams & pickles and fresh flowers. Open with a weekend schedule.

It's easy to see that Nash County is the place to be in late April, May and June. Visit and enjoy the events as well as good old "Southern Hospitality." For more information visit www.rockymounttravel.com or call the Nash County Visitors Bureau at 1-800-849-6825.