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The Yates Family Band Featured at Heartwood

Abingdon, Virginia – The Crooked Road: Virginia's Heritage Music Trail presents The Yates Family Band in concert on Thursday, December 14th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at Heartwood in Abingdon, VA. This concert is part of The Crooked Road Music Series at Heartwood.

The Yates Family Band features Molly Yates (age 17) performing on guitar, mandolin, and banjo and Sadie Yates (age 15) performing on the doghouse bass and guitar. The girls have been performing on stage with their parents Tim (guitar) and Debbie (banjo/ fiddle) since they could hold an instrument in their hands. This family based old time and bluegrass band from Smyth County, VA has performed at The Carter Fold, the International Bluegrass Music Association festival, and many more venues. Tim and Debbie have combined their lives, talents, and musical roots to create one of the area's most entertaining musical groups today.

The Crooked Road Music Series takes place each Thursday at Heartwood. The series features youth artists each 2nd Thursday along with open jams on the 1st, 3rd, 4th (and 5th) Thursdays to showcase Southwest Virginia performers. The Crooked Road Music Series is sponsored by Heartwood, Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development, Virginia Commission for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Heartwood - Southwest Virginia's Artisan Gateway is located off I-81 at Exit 14 in Abingdon, VA, and features food, music, and craft of Southwest Virginia. As part of The Crooked Road's Thursday night live music, our restaurant features delicious southern BBQ to make for a food and music experience only Southwest Virginia can deliver. Admission to the concert is free and donations will be accepted for Crooked Road Traditional Music Education Program (TMEP).

More information can be found at The Crooked Road website, www.thecrookedroad.org, and at www.heartwoodvirginia.org. For additional information, please call (276) 492-2409 or email: admin@thecrookedroad.org.

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A photo of The Yates Family Band is attached. (photo credit - Dusty Edwards Photography)

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