

Press Release

Carter Family Memorial Music Center, Inc.

HILTONS Saturday, December 8th, 2018, at 7:30 p.m., the Carter Family Fold in Hiltons, Virginia, will present the ETSU Old Time Pride Band in concert. Admission to the concert is \$10 for adults, \$2 for children 6 to 11, under age 6 free.

The Old Time Pride Band from East Tennessee State University's Bluegrass, Old Time, and Country Music Studies Program is a performing student group that is based in Johnson City, Tennessee. The band is one of more than 30 student groups that are part of the bachelors degree in traditional American music at the University. The band primarily interprets and performs recorded music from the 1920s and 1930s and works to develop techniques of playing and singing that fit with that time period.



The band is led by musician and ETSU associate professor Roy Andrade, who was formerly with the popular old time string band the Reeltime Travelers. The group traveled for six years, playing over 600 shows alongside notable musicians like Alison Krauss and Ralph Stanley. The Travelers cut a CD as well as a track for the movie *Cold Mountain*. From exploring the history of mountain music to traveling the country in a string band, old time banjo musician Roy Andrade has a passion for the music of his native Appalachia. At ETSU, he teaches guitar classes and gives individual instruction on bass and guitar. Raised in North Carolina, Roy has carried around an instrument as long as he can remember. By age four, he was playing the accordion. Later he picked up the fiddle, guitar, mandolin, and other instruments. Teaching, for Roy, just sort of came



naturally. Other band members of the ETSU Old Time Pride Band are graduate and undergraduate students who are studying the music of the Appalachian Mountains. ETSU has earned such a reputation for their bluegrass and old time program, that now students travel from all over the world to study at ETSU. Kenny Chesney is one of the most well-known graduates of the program. You can bet the Old Time Pride Band will do music everyone will like – rousing dance tunes, old ballads, gospel tunes - and that there will be lots of beautiful harmony and vocals, too.

The band typically spends an entire school year on a focused group of recordings from a particular region or of a specific theme or collection. The ETSU Old Time Pride Band is honored to bring their style of old time music to the Carter Family Fold. Bands with ETSU have been performing at the Fold since the beginning of the program in 1982.



If you like old time music, don't miss Roy Andrade and the ETSU Old Time Pride Band. Their instrumental work is outstanding, and their vocal arrangements and harmony defy description. Don't forget your dancing shoes. The group puts tremendous energy and drive into every performance. For more information, go to www.etsu.edu/.

Carter Family Memorial Music Center, Inc., is a nonprofit, rural arts organization that was established in 1979 to preserve traditional, acoustic, mountain music. Saturday concerts have been held since 1974. The center is family-friendly, and an alcohol and drug free facility. For more information, go to <http://www.carterfamilyfold.org>. Partial funding for programs at the center is provided by the *Virginia Commission for the Arts*, *National Endowment for the Arts*, the *Virginia Tourism Corporation*. To access recorded information on the upcoming Saturday show at the Fold, call 276-386-6054. The Fold is on Facebook – page Carter Fold – and Twitter – @carterfoldinfo. To speak to a volunteer Fold staff member, call 276-594-0676. If we don't answer you right away, we'll get back to you in 24 hours.