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Library Hosts Cumberland County Storytelling Festival

FAYETTEVILLE, NC – Acclaimed North Carolina storytellers will entertain and inspire children of all ages at the Cumberland County Storytelling Festival on Sat., Oct. 31, at the Headquarters Library, 300 Maiden Lane. Coordinated through the Cumberland County Public Library & Information Center Youth Services Department, this free event celebrates the rich storytelling heritage of several cultures:

- Lumbee storyteller Barbara Braveboy-Locklear will spin tales from her Native American heritage.
- Grammy winner David Holt will combine music and artistry to depict the rich traditions of the Appalachian Mountains.
- Author and performer Donna Washington will thrill and chill the audience with African American tales and spooky ghost stories.

Children will also enjoy story programs and a “Make Your Own Book” workshop throughout the day while teens are encouraged to take center stage for participation in “Tell Your Story: Teen Open Mic.” The open mic venue is scheduled for 2 p.m. with top performances showcased at 4 p.m. in the Pate Room. Participants in the teen program may pre-register by calling (910) 483-7727 ext. 306 or at the door on the day of the festival.

For more information visit cumberland.lib.nc.us or call (910) 483-7727 ext. 300.

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