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***FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL WILL SHOWCASE STATE'S TRADITIONAL ARTISTS***

PIERRE, S.D. — The South Dakota Arts Council's Traditional Arts Program presents the Black Hills Bounty Folklife Festival, featuring craft demonstrations, music and poetry performances from the many cultural groups and communities that call the Black Hills home.

This free event runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, June 3, at the Dahl Arts Center in Rapid City. Demonstrations will include fiber spinning, weaving, quilting and rug hooking; Norwegian woodworking and rosemaling; Lakota regalia and star quilts; blacksmithing, leatherwork, horsehair hitching; and motorcycle pinstriping. The performance schedule features old-time country music at 11 a.m., hoop dancing at noon, and cowboy poetry and stories at 1 p.m.

An exhibit of traditional arts from the region is also on display at the Dahl from June 2 through Aug. 19, with an opening reception from 5-7 p.m., Friday, June 2.

Black Hills Bounty is a project of the South Dakota Arts Council, in partnership with the Rapid City Arts Council and Arts South Dakota.

An office of the South Dakota Department of Tourism, the South Dakota Arts Council's mission is to provide grants and services to artists, arts organizations and schools across the state with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts and the state of South Dakota.

The South Dakota Department of Tourism is comprised of Tourism and the South Dakota Arts Council. The Department is led by Secretary James D. Hagen.