

# **MEDIA RELEASE**

## Roanoke County Recreation and Tourism

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# 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Tons of Fun February 7, 2015 A Spectacular Day of FREE Fun for Children and Their Families at Tanglewood Mall

Roanoke, Virginia (January 27, 2015) — Roanoke County Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism along with Roanoke County Department of Economic Development, Tanglewood Mall and with media support from WSLS10 are gearing up for another FREE "funtastic" Tons of Fun event. The 16<sup>th</sup> annual extravaganza for kids and families takes place at Tanglewood Mall from10 AM — 4 PM on Saturday February 7th. Magicians, inflatable games, crafts, rides, face painting, performances, demonstrations and much more will fill the mall.

New this year and performing three shows is two time Parents' Choice® Gold Award winner, Roger Day. Day, with his smart and interactive style of music, appeals to both children and parents. His music has been described as the "School House Rock for the 21st century". His knack for creating songs that make complex ideas simple and fun has made his music popular with children nationwide.

Also, performing for the first time is southwest Virginia favorites, the Blue Ridge Mountain Cloggers. As seen on WSLS 10 Daytime Blue Ridge, dancing to traditional country, bluegrass and pop music, this talented group will be sure to engage the young and young at heart.

Another addition this year are the very popular costumed characters Spidey, Aladdin and the beloved Snow Queen, who will help to make a very magical and memorable experience. Favorites such as balloon artist Bobby Lilly, Sonshine and Company, and magician Mark Fuller are back! Children of all ages will enjoy spending time with them as well as creating Square Piggy Banks, Suncatchers, Valentine's Day Cards, Bug Catchers, and many more fun and creative crafts. Guests will have the opportunity to learn about healthy living by participating in the Healthy Hands activity and

Tons of Fun 2015



### Performances on Stage... at JCPenney Court

10:15 - 10:45 American Freestyle Karate Demonstration (Demonstrating in front of stage)

11:00 - 11:45 Roger Day, Musician- Combines Wit and Word play with Music Nationally known children's musician and a two-time Parents' Choice Gold Award winner.

11:45 - 12:15 Shaolin Dragons Kung Fu Performance (Performing in front of stage)

12:15-12:45 Mark Fuller, Magic Show

1:00 - 1:45 Roger Day, Musician- Combines Wit and Word play with Music Nationally known children's musician and a two-time Parents' Choice Gold Award winner.

2:00- 2:30 Southernettes Baton Corps Performance

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#### **Special Features & Attractions:**

11:30 & 1:30 The Sonshine Company-Balloon Animal Workshops Location G

11:30-3:00 Roaming Characters- Snow Queen, Aladdin and Spidey

10:00-12:00 and 1:00-3:00 Strolling Magician, David Castree

Bobby Lilly and Balloon Dude-Balloon Sculpting Located at Center Court

12:00 – 3:00 Yoga for Kids Location C Roanoke County Parks, Recreation & Tourism- Brambleton Center

> YMCA- Location A Fencing, Karate, Dance & Gymnastic Demos

#### Performances at K&W Court

11:00-11:45 Art in Motion – Dance Performances
1:00-1:45 Blue Ridge Mountain Cloggers – Dance Lesson and Performance
3:00-3:30 Blue Ridge Mountain Cloggers - Performance

creating first aid kits, while working out some of that winter energy participating in fitness workouts and mini dance lessons. Don't forget the camera to catch all of the fun, memorable moments and photo ops!

For more information, call the Roanoke County Parks, Recreation and Tourism at 540.387.6078 ext.0 or visit <a href="https://www.RoanokeCountyParks.com">www.RoanokeCountyParks.com</a>

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