

Shakori Hills:

Guilford heads to GrassRoots festival

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The crisp smell of rustic fall air, the delicate descent of orange-tinged oak leaves, the soothing sound of a local bluegrass ensemble in the distance. It is the 22nd season of Shakori Hills GrassRoots festival.

On Oct. 9, families, hippie folk of all ages gathered on Shakori's 75-acre farmstead property outside of Chapel Hill.

Attendees typically return twice a year for the fall and spring festivals to take a break from the fast pace of life while enjoying exceptional music and some much-needed fresh air.

While most people go for the music, the festival offers many other perks; it is a collective of thoughtful and like-minded people.

"Jordan Puryear and a friend found some land in N.C. that they fell in love with," said festival co-coordinator Sara Waters. "That next April, the festival began. We're now on our 11th annual fall festival."

Its parent festival, the Fingerlakes

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