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## **Living History Day: A Greener Pasture**

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What is it about learning something while sitting on the grass that makes it stick with a person so much longer than learning the same thing while sitting at a school desk? Does it work that way with you? There were many days the school bell rang at the end of the day and I wondered what I was even doing there – I hadn't learned anything that stuck with me while inside the building. But the facts of life I learned in the schoolyard are, by and large, the ones I still remember.

History is that kind of subject. For many, history from a book can be just about as boring as anything you'll come across. For one thing, the people are all dead.

If you had the chance to expose your kids to people for whom history is a live thing, would you do it? And if those people were willing to gather with you and your kids under a tree and show them the things they should know – would you go?

On Friday, the 26<sup>th</sup> of September, from 9 am to 3 pm, you and your kids will have the kind of opportunity that you would have cherished when you were small. If you will get them over to the Schreiner University Campus – the entire day is FREE to everyone – you will find forty or more storytellers and performers, from American Indians to Cowboys, from book writers to songwriters, from archeologists to quilt makers.

They will be spread around the grounds, and your family can stop and listen and

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move on as the spirit strikes you. This is Living History Day: the seventh annual presentation of history with a purpose - to make history enjoyable and memorable.

Friday's Living History Day is the first of a three-day event on Schreiner campus. Saturday will feature a ten-to-noon seminar with writers and historians on the Texas heritage of music and its foundations. On Sunday there will be a fundraising concert.

We encourage you to join us on Friday, the 26<sup>th</sup> of September, from 9 am to 3 pm, for this chance to take part in another way of learning – by using stories and songs in education. Your kids really should see this. Free, yes, but “as seen on TV”: Priceless.

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**What: Three Day Event sponsored by the Texas Heritage Music Foundation  
Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> September, Living History Day, 9 am to 3 pm, Schreiner campus  
with over 40 performers, and Noon tribute to Jimmie Rodgers. FREE!  
Sat, 27<sup>th</sup>, Texas Heritage Seminar, 10 am to Noon, Cailloux Hall, Schreiner  
University FREE!**

**Also Sat, 27<sup>th</sup>, Hill Country Youth Orchestra Fiddle Contest, 10 am –over FREE!  
Sun, 28<sup>th</sup>, Literacy & Learning Concert, 3 pm, Dietert Auditorium,  
Schreiner University –  
Headliner: Ruthie Foster with Cyd Cassone. \$15 cover.**

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