

ONE CITY ONE BOOK Road Trip

Tour of Historic Penland School of Crafts

Coach Tour to Penland School of Crafts is located near Spruce Pine in Mitchell County, North Carolina.

Wednesday, November 5, 2008

Penland School of Crafts is a national center for craft education located in the Blue Ridge Mountains and is featured in our 2008 One City One Book selection,

The Pleasure was Mine by Tommy Hays.

Penland [http://www.penland.org/] was founded by Miss Lucy Morgan, a teacher at an Episcopalian school that once occupied several buildings which are still part of Penland. In 1923, she organized the Penland Weavers which provided looms and materials to local women and marketed their handwoven goods. She invited guest instructors to teach weaving, and when requests for instruction began to come from other parts of the country, Penland School was born.

Since that time, Penland has grown to encompass about 400 acres and 41 structures. Today, over 1,200 people come each year seeking instruction in ten craft media.

\$40 per person – due by Friday, October 17

Due to unstable gas prices there may be a gas surcharge.

Seats are limited! Reserve your seat today!

Price includes Bus and tour, please bring extra money for lunch.

SCHEDULE: - 8:30-8:45am check in

Central Library, 219 N. Church Street, Greensboro – free parking in the deck.

- 9:00 am Depart
- 12:30pm Arrive at Penland and eat lunch on site. Bring \$ for lunch.

- **Tour begins 1:30pm** The tour takes about 1 1/2 hours, walking tour which includes some hills, wear comfortable shoes and bring rain gear.
- If time allows, a stop at **The Folk Art Center** on the <u>Blue Ridge Parkway</u> showcasing the finest in traditional and contemporary craft of the artists of the Southern Appalachians. It houses the Southern Highland Craft Guild's Craft Shop & the Guild's Permanent Collection.
- Arrive back in Greensboro about 7pm.