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Volunteers have supported Festival in the Park for over 40 years!

Roanoke, Virginia - Festival in the Park celebrated its 41st year this past Memorial Day weekend. Volunteers are the heart and soul of Festival. The four day event would not be possible without the dedication of volunteers who so graciously give their time.

Every year this event requires over 750 volunteers to help run the daytime activities and nightly concerts throughout the long weekend. What do our volunteers do? Paint children's faces, assist in setup for the Craft Show, oversee children's activities, sell soft drinks, beer and wine, work with food vendors and the bands, or help at the admission gates for the evening concerts. Festival in the Park's volunteer coordinator, Debbie McClure, was recently awarded the 2010 Volunteer Manager/ Coordinator at the Community Volunteer Recognition and Awards ceremony presented by Volunteer Roanoke Valley this past April. It's the continuous dedication of volunteers like Debbie, as well as others who make Festival in the Park an award winning Roanoke tradition each year.

Our non-profit organization strives to keep the majority of our activities FREE and we work all year long to present exceptional entertainment and creative and fun activities. Festival in the Park receives numerous accolades each year such as City Magazine's "Best Festival" and "Best Annual Event" awards, and the Roanoker Magazine's "Best Annual Event" & "Best Roanoke Tradition" awards. All of our valued volunteers share in these honors. Festival staff and committee greatly appreciate all of the volunteers, especially those who have dedicated their time year after year. Below is a list of volunteers who received recognition badges for dedicating their time and helping this event grow over the past 41 years!

Over 25 years!	Over 20 years!	Over 15 years!	Over 10 years!	Over 5 years!
Mary Kay Brown	Carol Williams	Dave Guerry	Kimber Butler	Robert Turcotte
Barbara Dyer	Lorene Crawford	Gloria Manns	Antoinette Hatten	Erica Davis
Pat Montgomery	Betty Barr	Bonnie Pritchett	Maggie Boyes	Jordan Fifer
Debbie McClure		Susan Culbertson	Sara Brooks	Paul Ulrich
		Melvin Williams	Eileen Guerry	Travis Sorrells
		Rick Hague	Maria Anderson	Jackie Guerry
		David Brammer	Skip Brown	Roger Magerkurth
		Mary Butler	Stuart Culbertson	Susan Magerkurth
		Brian Butler	Mark Guerry	Pam Ulrich
			Downtown John Brown	Lori Fadorick
			Joe Alisuskas	
			Krissy Scholetzky	
			Karen Moore	
			Billy Fadorick	
			Cheryl Caffee	

Anyone can sign up year round to volunteer for Festival in the Park at <http://www.roanokefestival.org> or call the EventZone office at 540-342-2640. EventZone is a 501 (c) 3.