



FAQ For Partners & Participants
Hosted by Historic Germanna
Saturday, October 18, 2025 | 10 am to 4 pm
Free & Open to the Public

What is the Salubria Oktoberfest and History Faire?

This inaugural event will be held on the scenic grounds of Historic Salubria in Culpeper, marking the launch of Culpeper's 250th History Week as part of the county's 250th anniversary commemorations. This community-centered history celebration features reenactors and living history, traditional crafts, period music, local food and beverages, and hands-on activities for all ages. We anticipate upwards of 1,000 visitors in attendance throughout the day.

Who is organizing the event?

The Oktoberfest and History Faire is hosted by [Historic Germanna](#), in partnership with Culpeper Tourism and Economic Development and the Virginia American Revolution 250 Commission (VA250). More information about the mission and programs of Historic Germanna is located on the next page of this document.

Where will the Oktoberfest and History Faire take place?

On the grounds of Historic Salubria in Culpeper—a preserved but unrestored 18th-century house that offers a rare, immersive glimpse into the past. The site offers ample space for demonstrations, performances, camps, and tours in a beautiful and historically significant setting.

Who are we inviting to participate?

We're looking for enthusiastic partners to help bring history to life:

- **Historical organizations, regional non-profits, and museums** to host interactive displays or tables
- **Reenactors and living historians** to set up camp or demonstrate historical lifeways
- **Craftspeople** to showcase traditional skills and techniques
- **Folk and period musicians** to perform throughout the day
- **Food trucks** to provide local flavor

What kinds of activities will there be?

- Guided tours of Salubria
- Reenactor camps and living history experiences
- Traditional crafts and demonstrations
- Food and beverage vendors
- Period and folk music performance
- Interactive history exhibits and activities

Logistics?

- There is no fee to participate
- Participants will need to bring their own tables, chairs, tents, etc.
- Water and Electric: There is one external water faucet available, and no usable electrical outlets
- Partners and staff will have access to a restroom and break area.

How do I express interest in participating?

Email **Shannon Doherty** at salubria@germanna.org with your name, organization (if applicable), and how you'd like to be involved.



"The People. The Places. Their Stories."

Historic Germanna, a 501c3 nonprofit headquartered in Locust Grove, VA, is a cultural anchor in Virginia's Piedmont, preserving and interpreting the region's complex and diverse past. We steward archaeological sites, historic properties, research collections, and natural landscapes that connect people to place.

MISSION

Historic Germanna's mission is to inspire understanding and engagement in the rich history and natural resources of Germanna through archaeology, education, genealogy, and preservation.

VISION

We envision a future where the Germanna region connects diverse stories through shared heritage, fostering belonging, learning, and inspiration for all.

HISTORIC RESOURCES UNDER STEWARDSHIP

Historic Germanna stewards cultural and natural sites across Orange, Culpeper, and Fauquier Counties:

- Fort Germanna Visitor Center, Research Library & Memorial Garden (Orange County)
- Siegen Forest Recreational Trail System (170 acres; seven scenic miles of trails in Orange County)
- Rapidan River Public Boat Launch and Access (Orange County)
- Hitt Archaeology Center and Archaeological Sites (Orange County)
 - 1714 Fort Germanna
 - Enchanted Castle
 - Spotsylvania Courthouse
 - Gordon Farm and Plantation
- Historic Salubria 1757 (Culpeper County)
- Peter Hitt Farm & Cemetery 1800 (Fauquier County)

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES (2024–2029)

Storytelling and Education



Community Engagement and Inclusivity



Our Physical and Natural Resources



Sustainability and Growth

