



## City of Bristol Tennessee

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### **Bristol's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Music and Camera Gear Swap** **Scheduled for Viking Hall**

It seems that there are very few people who live in the area that aren't either out taking pictures or strumming on some instrument. With that in mind it seemed only natural to create an event where those two factions could meet, talk about their passions, share their stories, and maybe even gain some valuable knowledge on their particular hobby from some of the best in the business. The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Bristol's Music and Camera Gear Swap is scheduled for Saturday, June 29, 2013 from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM at Viking Hall Civic Center located at 1100 Edgemont Avenue, Bristol, Tennessee.



Mark Marquette, of Marq Productions said, "This is the first of its kind. We are offering an opportunity for those of a like kind to gather, share ideas, pick up a few tips, find out what grandpa's fiddle is worth and maybe even sell it, if the price is right. Companies are coming to town with cash in their pockets hoping to purchase camera equipment and used musical instruments. The show has something for everyone."

Everyone knows when hobbies begin, whether it is music or photography, it seems we start out with certain pieces of equipment and grow into others. What happens to those beginner or intermediate pieces? The answer is that they usually gather dust in a closet. "This event is perfect in so many ways, including getting rid of unused equipment. That's right; someone will be on hand to possibly purchase that camera equipment or the old instrument that just sits in the corner. Appraisers will also be available to tell you what your "stuff" is worth," said Darlene Cole, Venue Manager for the city.

Along with appraisers, speakers, and companies looking to purchase equipment there will be lots of entertainment and big-boy-toy type eye candy such as motorcycles from Black Wolf Harley-Davidson. Other vendors include KEH Camera of Atlanta, Morrell Music of Bristol, Sound Asylum Studios, Pix and PR Advertising, Thompson Photo of Knoxville, Brian Rieck Band Instruments, Twin City Photo Club, Jon Tipton-Music Instructor, Jerry Greer-Author and Photo Conservationist along with Red River Cutlery, Top Hat Magic, Prune Belly Syndrome, Misty Mountain Designs, Mountain Empire Comics and Party Central.

The entry fee is only \$5.00 and kids 12 and under get in free. For more information contact Mark Marquette at [bristolgearswap@gmail.com](mailto:bristolgearswap@gmail.com) or 423-946-4132.