

BARTON COLLEGE

2025-2026 Public Events Calendar

(Revised as of November 3, 2025)

Fall 2025

September 4 – October 3

Barton Art Galleries presents Susan Fecho's "Reminisce" Exhibition

Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

For additional information, contact the Barton Art Galleries at artgalleries@barton.edu or call 252-399-6476.

September 4

Opening Reception for Susan Fecho's "Reminisce" Exhibition

5 p.m. – 7 p.m., Opening Reception

6 p.m., Gallery Talk with Susan Fecho

Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

For additional information, contact the Barton Art Galleries at artgalleries@barton.edu or call 252-399-6476.

September 15

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Movement

Featured Speaker: Charlie Ottinger, Assistant Professor of Exercise Science

12:00 p.m.

Library Commons, Willis N. Hackney Library

For additional information, contact Gerard Lange, Director of the Whitehurst Family Honors Program at glange@barton.edu or 252-399-6475.

September 22

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Movement

Featured Speaker: Yvette Richardson, Assistant Professor of Social Work

12:00 p.m.

Library Commons, Willis N. Hackney Library

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September 23

Barton College Homegrown Writers Series

Featured authors: Kathy Daughety, Rachel K. Deale, Brent Canle, and Katherine Lindfors

4:30 p.m.

Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

For additional information, contact Michael Brantley, Associate Professor of English and Elizabeth H. Jordan Chair of Southern Literature, at mkbrantley@barton.edu or 252-399-6370.

September 27

Admissions Open House (*First-Year and Transfer students*)

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For additional information, contact Alexis Foster at amfoster@barton.edu or 252-399-6623.

September 29

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Movement

Featured Speaker: Dorothy Austin-Harrell, Director of Pathways & Community Engagement Partnerships
12:00 p.m.

Library Commons, Willis N. Hackney Library

For additional information, contact Gerard Lange, Director of the Whitehurst Family Honors Program at glange@barton.edu or 252-399-6475.

October 6

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Movement

Featured Speaker: Ashley Bennett, Assistant Professor of Molecular Biology

12:00 p.m.

Library Commons, Willis N. Hackney Library

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October 9

Allan R. Sharp Religion in Life Series

Featured Speaker: Dr. Andrew Monteith, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, Elon University

Lecture Title: "State Secrets: The Forgotten History of Disability Segregation in America"

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., Howard Chapel

For additional information, contact Dr. Lydia M. Walker, Assistant Professor of History and Religion at lmwalker@barton.edu or 252-399-6440.

October 20

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Movement

Featured Speaker: Ken Russell, Dean of the School of Business and Innovation

12:00 p.m.

Library Commons, Willis N. Hackney Library

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October 21

Joyce T. Boone Southern Authors Series

Featured speaker: John Shelton Reed

4:30 p.m.

Kennedy Family Theatre

For additional information, contact Michael Brantley, Associate Professor of English and Elizabeth H. Jordan Chair of Southern Literature, at mkbrantley@barton.edu or 252-399-6370.

October 23 – November 26

Barton Art Galleries and Friends of Visual Arts present Artist-in-Residence

Benjamin Hawley's "A sentence that cannot be taken in or forgotten." Exhibition

(Artist-in-Residency will run from October 20 – November 1)

Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

Community Workshops: Saturdays, October 25 and November 1, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

For additional information, contact the Barton Art Galleries at artgalleries@barton.edu or call 252-399-6476.

October 23

Opening Reception for Benjamin Hawley Exhibition "A sentence that cannot be taken in or forgotten."

5 p.m. – 7 p.m., Opening Reception

6 p.m., Gallery Talk

Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

For additional information, contact the Barton Art Galleries at artgalleries@barton.edu or call 252-399-6476.

October 24-25

Barton College Homecoming Weekend

Details - TBA

For more information, contact alumni@barton.edu or 252-399-6381.

October 28

Barton Art Galleries presents the Friends of the Visual Arts Fall Lecture

Featured Speaker: Colony Little, writer and founder of Culture Shock Art

6 p.m., Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

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November 3

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Movement

Featured Speaker: Mark Basinger, Associate Professor of Biology

12:00 p.m.

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November 6

Hispanic Writers & Artists Series Lecture

Featured Speaker: Daniel Chacón, Author

6:30 p.m.

Howard Chapel

For additional information, contact Dr. Luis Ayarza at lcayarza@barton.edu or 252-399-6457

November 7

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November 10

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Movement

Featured Speaker: Shawn McCauley, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs

12:00 p.m.

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For additional information, contact Gerard Lange, Director of the Whitehurst Family Honors Program at glange@barton.edu or 252-399-6475.

November 17

BB&T Heritage Lecture in American History

Featured Speaker: Matthew Skic, the Director of Collections and Exhibitions at the Museum of the American Revolution.

Lecture Title: "Picturing Washington's Army: Discovering a Sketch of the North Carolina Brigade"

6 p.m., Howard Chapel

For additional information, contact Dr. Lydia Walker, Assistant Professor of History and Religion, at lmwalker@barton.edu or 252-399-6440.

November 23

Barton College / Wilson Symphony Orchestra's Fall Concert

3 p.m.

Kennedy Family Theatre

\$15 per ticket or by season ticket. Reservations required.

For additional information, contact Bonnie LoSchiavo at blloschiavo@barton.edu or 252-399- 6559.

December 2

Lighting of the Luminaries Christmas Celebration

6 p.m., Tree Lighting Ceremony on Center Campus

6:30 p.m., An Evening of Lessons and Carols

Howard Chapel

For additional information, contact Alysun Skinner, Chaplain of the College at alskinner@barton.edu or 252-399-6372.

December 4 - December 12

Barton Art Galleries presents Juried Student Exhibition and Fall 2025 Senior Exhibition

Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

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December 4

Opening Reception for Juried Student Exhibition and Fall 2025 Senior Exhibition

5-7 p.m., Opening Reception

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Spring 2026

February 5 - March 13

Barton Art Galleries and Friends of Visual Arts present Artists-in-Residence Robert T. Smith & Jose Bayro's "Parallel Origins" Exhibition

(Artist-in-Residency will run from February 2 – February 14)

Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

Community Workshops: Saturdays, February 7 and February 14 (times TBA)

For additional information, contact the Barton Art Galleries at artgalleries@barton.edu or 252-399-6476.

February 5

Opening Reception for Robert T. Smith & Jose Bayro's "Parallel Origins" Exhibition

5 p.m. – 7 p.m., Opening Reception

6 p.m., Gallery Talk

Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

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February 14

Barton College/Wilson Symphony Orchestra's "Love the Symphony"

6:15 p.m., Reception

7 p.m., Symphony Performance

8 p.m., Dinner

Wilson Gymnasium

Reservations Required.

For additional information, contact Jessica Tyson at jmtyson@barton.edu or 252-399-6381.

February 16

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Music

Featured Speaker: TBA

12:00 p.m.

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February 17

Barton College Homegrown Writers Series

Featuring student authors

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February 23

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Music

Featured Speaker: TBA

12:00 p.m.

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March 2

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Music

Featured Speaker: TBA

12:00 p.m.

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March 3

BB&T Heritage Lecture in American History

Featured Speaker: Kristi Brantley, CLG and Local Government Coordinator at the NC State Historic Preservation Office

Lecture Topic: The National Historic Preservation Act and North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office

7 p.m., Hardy Alumni Hall

For additional information, contact Dr. Rachel K. Deale, Associate Professor of History, at rkdeale@barton.edu or 252-399-6443.

March 9

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Music

Featured Speaker: TBA

12:00 p.m.

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March 10

The Victor R. Small Writers Series

Featured Speaker: Pat Riviere-Seel

4:30 p.m.

Kennedy Family Theatre

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March 12

The E.G. Purcell, Jr. Lecture

Featured Speaker: Dr. Barbara Thiede, Assistant Professor Religious Studies, University North Carolina, Charlotte, N.C.

Lecture Title: "Violence in Bible: Model, Mirror, and Warning"

4-5pm, Howard Chapel

For additional information, contact Dr. Lydia M. Walker, Assistant Professor of History and Religion at lmwalker@barton.edu or 252-399-6440

March 12

The Thedford G. and Woodrow W. Sprinkle Lecture

Featured Speaker: Dr. Jonathan Edwards, Associate Professor of English Language and Literature, University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C.

Lecture Title: "Political Sermons: Christian Nationalism and the American Pulpit"

5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m., Howard Chapel

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March 23

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Music

Featured Speaker: TBA

12:00 p.m.

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March 26-29

Little Women

Presented by The Playhouse of Wilson

Kennedy Family Theatre

Tickets Available at www.playhouseofwilson.com/tickets.

April 4 – April 24

Barton Art Galleries presents the Honoring Dan Finch Exhibition

Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

For additional information, contact the Barton Art Galleries at artgalleries@barton.edu or call 252-399-6476.

April 4

Honoring Dan Finch Opening Reception and Friends of the Visual Arts Spring Lecture

4 p.m. – 6 p.m., Honoring Dan Finch Opening Reception

4:30 p.m., Friends of the Visual Arts Spring Lecture featuring ceramic artists Cynthia Bringle and Ben Owen

Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

For additional information, contact the Barton Art Galleries at artgalleries@barton.edu or call 252-399-6476.

April 6

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Music

Featured Speaker: TBA

12:00 p.m.

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April 11

Admissions Open House (*Acceptance Day*)

The Office of Admissions is hosting an open house for prospective undergraduate students who are completing their decision process about their college choice for Fall 2026. Tour campus and learn more about our academic programs. Advance registration required. Visit www.barton.edu/visit for Open House details and to register online.

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April 13

Honors Faculty Lecture Series: Music

Featured Speaker: TBA

12:00 p.m.

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April 14

Rare Book Room Showcase

4:30 p.m.

Willis N. Hackney Library

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April 19

Barton College/Wilson Symphony Orchestra's Spring Concert

3 p.m.

Kennedy Family Theatre

\$15 per ticket or by season ticket. Reservations required.

For additional information, contact Bonnie LoSchiavo at blloschiavo@barton.edu or 252-399- 6559.

April 20

Days of Scholarship and Engagement

Schedule - TBA

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April 28

Barton College Choir Spring Concert

7 p.m.

Kennedy Family Theatre

For additional information, contact Susan Perry, Barton College Choir Director, at atswperry@barton.edu.

April 30 - May 8

Barton Art Galleries presents Spring 2026 Senior Exhibition

Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

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April 30

Barton Art Galleries presents Spring 2026 Senior Exhibition

5-7 p.m., Opening Reception

Barton Art Galleries, Case Art Building

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May 8

Admissions Open House (Junior Day)

The Office of Admissions is hosting a “First Look” open house for rising high school seniors exploring college options for Fall 2026. Tour campus and learn more about our academic programs. Advance registration required. Visit www.barton.edu/visit for Open House details and to register online.

For additional information, contact Alexis Foster at amfoster@barton.edu or 252-399-6623.

May 9

Commencement

10:30 a.m.

Center Campus

For additional information, Registrar Sheila Milne at smilne@barton.edu or at 252-399-6326.