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festival events,  
places and  
dates

25<sup>th</sup>  
annual

# decaturn arts festival

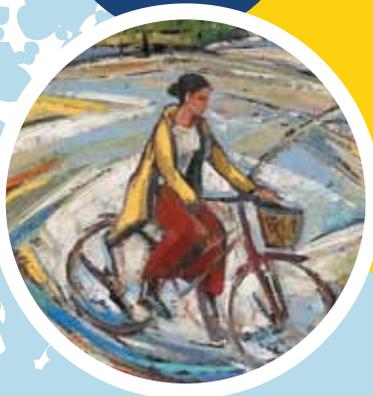
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The 2013 festival poster  
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### Threater and Literary Arts tent, Old Courthouse lawn

OMG! Decatur is BWLA (Bursting with Laughter Again!)

**h**ost Lew Lefton is a local comedian who has performed stand up and improv comedy for more than 25 years. He still holds down a day job as a mathematics faculty member at Georgia Tech, but that just means he's funny and he can prove it. He directs the local teen improv troupe D.U.C.K. and has performed around the country at clubs, colleges, concerts, and conferences.

### Saturday, May 25

#### 1-1:45 pm **The Decatur yoUth Comedy Krewe (D.U.C.K.)**

This improv group consists of the funniest teenagers in Decatur. They'll "quack" you up! [www.duckimprov.com](http://www.duckimprov.com)

#### 15 Minutes of Laughter!

##### 2-2:15 pm • Christine An

Never the class clown, often his stalker, Christine was a serious kid. During college she drew comic strips and wrote jokes in her dorm room so that no one would witness her humor. Today, slightly more comfortable with the idea of having fun, she ropes audiences into her unique frame of mind, where a tragicomic zeitgeist prevails. [www.womenincomedyfestival.com/performers/](http://www.womenincomedyfestival.com/performers/)

##### 2:30-2:45 pm • Dan Weeks

Dan has a style that's anything but ordinary. Whether delivering a

punchy one-liner or a hilarious story, he keeps audiences laughing. His award-winning comedy is described as "so smart its stupid" and "it's a party every time he steps onstage." This is an act you don't want to miss!

##### 4-4:15 pm • Alyssa Barnett

Alyssa entertains with a unique self-deprecating style of short, fat, Jewish, lesbian comedy. She has performed all over the Southeast in comedy clubs and at Pride festivals. A mom and tee-ball coach when not performing, Alyssa resides in Decatur with her partner and their daughter.

##### 4:30-4:45 pm • Debra Cole

Debra is known for her sophisticated and smart humor, spoken with an authentic south Georgia twang. Sassy, surprising, and cerebral, she is guaranteed to push buttons and bring the laughs as she tackles such topics as relationships, divorce, current events, politics, political correctness, life as a comic, and motherhood.

##### 5-5:15 pm • Pete Ludovice

An engineering professor as well as a comedian, Pete dispenses humor to improve communication, education and innovation, as performed in his nationally touring one-man show, "Feel the Power of the Dork Side."



### Sunday, May 26

#### 1-1:45 pm **Laughing Matters**

Laughing Matters, the longest running improv troupe in the Southeast, has been entertaining audiences for 28 years.

#### 3-3:30 pm • Open Mic

**Make 'em Laugh!** The first three people to sign up starting at 2:30 pm will each get to do a two-minute set. The "winner," chosen by audience applause, will be awarded a slot in next year's Decatur Arts Festival.

#### 15 Minutes of Laughter!

##### 4-4:15 pm • Mia Jackson

A native of Columbus, Georgia, and a self-proclaimed know-it-all, Mia has appeared on Oxygen's *Girls Behaving Badly* and TLC's *Wild Weddings*. She was a finalist in the Laughing Skull Festival in Atlanta. Her energetic conversational style leaves the audience feeling refreshed and as if they have known her forever. [www.miajackson.com](http://www.miajackson.com)



#### 4:30-5:15 pm **Laughing Matters**

Laughing till the end!

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