

## For Immediate Release

### The Museum of Appalachia recognized as “Best” by *Tennessee Magazine* Readers

NASHVILLE, Oct. 15, 2014 – The Museum of Appalachia was recently named Best Museum in East Tennessee by readers of *The Tennessee Magazine*. The publication announced the winners of its annual Best of Tennessee Readers’ Choice Awards earlier this month.

Hundreds of entries were submitted nominating the best food, attractions and accommodations across the state. The annual statewide awards program seeks to determine the best of all Tennessee has to offer. The ballot is divided into six categories – eats, destination and recreation, the arts, getaways, shopping and events.

“Congratulations to the Museum of Appalachia,” says Robin Conover, editor of *The Tennessee Magazine* “Our readers believe they have earned a place among the best Tennessee has to offer.”

A complete list of winners, runners-up and an interactive map are available on the magazine’s website at [tnmagazine.org](http://tnmagazine.org).

#### About the Museum of Appalachia

The Smithsonian Affiliate and non-profit Museum, includes some three dozen authentic log buildings, and display halls filled with artifacts and stories of the Appalachian people, with gardens and farm animals, in a picturesque setting, all surrounded by split-rail fences.

The Shop at the Museum of Appalachia features handiwork from Appalachian artisans, books authored by regional writers and unique "Made in America" gifts. The Museum's quaint restaurant offers hot country style lunches, fresh-from-the-garden vegetables, and mouth-watering home-made desserts. Facilities are available for weddings, reunions, meetings and other events.

The Museum is located 16 miles north of Knoxville, one mile east of I-75, exit 122. For more information, call 865-494-7680 or visit the website, [www.museumofappalachia.org](http://www.museumofappalachia.org).

#### About *The Tennessee Magazine*

With a circulation of more than 550,000, *The Tennessee Magazine* is the most widely circulated monthly publication in Tennessee. Learn more at [tnmagazine.org](http://tnmagazine.org).

#### About TECA

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