

# Third Annual Suwannee RIVERKEEPER<sup>®</sup> Songwriting Contest

August 22, 2020, Valdosta, Georgia



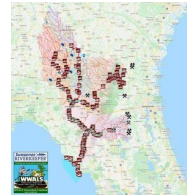
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**\$50 winner from outside.** One plaque per musical genre.  
**And: youth winners under 18 years old.**



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**Silent Auction & kayak raffle.** [Food truck](#), [cash bar](#).

**Where:** Turner Center Art Park, outside.

605 North Patterson Street, Valdosta, Georgia, 31601  
Next to the Turner Center for the Arts.



**Sponsors:** named in program, stage banner, online, radio, TV, etc.

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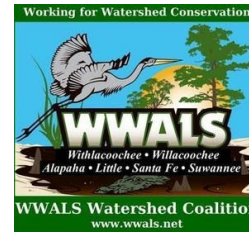
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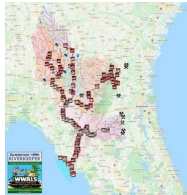
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Register 9AM, Race 11 AM, Saturday, October 24, 2020

A fun filled day of paddle racing and leisurely paddling on an idyllic blackwater river. Plenty of water, no deadfalls, plus shoals!

Put In: State Line Ramp

(Mozell Spills, GA 31 Ramp),  
6461 Madison Hwy, Valdosta, GA 31601.



Tickets: \$20 till 15 Oct then \$30

**Boats:** Canoes, kayaks, and  
*paddleboards!* Free rentals.

**Paddle distance:** 6 miles round trip.

**Turnaround:** 3, 2, 1 miles

**Sponsors:** Your name, logo  
on announcements, flyers.

**Nonprofits:** free.

**For-profit vendors:** \$20

**Contact:** Bobby McKenzie,  
808-445-4503 chevy752001@yahoo.com

*Facebook and Meetup Event: WWALS Boomerang.*

*Photos: John S. Quarterman, Gretchen Quarterman.*



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