

## Georgann Eubanks, Executive Producer

Born and raised in Atlanta, Georgann Eubanks graduated from Duke University in public policy studies and has published poetry, fiction, and nonfiction over the years. She was director of the Duke Writers Workshop for 20 years, and then launched the Table Rock Writers Workshop, held each fall in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Along with Minnow Media partner Donna Campbell, she has produced a number of public television documentaries focusing on the arts, religion, social justice, and the changing demographics of the state and nation.

Eubanks is a popular speaker on North Carolina history and literature. Over the years she has served as president of statewide organizations including the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, Arts North Carolina, and Humanities North Carolina. She is a recent inductee of the North Caroliniana Society. In 2021, she was appointed literary executor and executive director of the Paul Green Foundation.

Eubanks is perhaps best known for her first three books from UNC Press: Literary Trails of the North Carolina Mountains (2007), Literary Trails of the North Carolina Piedmont (2010), and Literary Trails of Eastern North Carolina (2013). This guidebook series was commissioned by the North Carolina Arts Council. Each volume provides 18 different driving tours of North Carolina, describing settings where the state's writers of fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and plays have found inspiration for their work. The three volumes introduce more than 400 writers and excerpts from their works.

In The Month of Their Ripening: North Carolina Heritage Foods Through the Year (2018), Eubanks' essays explore the histories of a dozen native foods that help to define the edible culture of the Old North State. Talking with farmers, fishmongers, cooks, historians, and scientists, Eubanks looks at how certain seasonal dishes are deeply tied to memory and family. With photographs by Donna Campbell and botanical illustrations by Carol Misner of Highlands, NC, the book has found favor with chefs and home cooks across the South. Eubanks continues her research into the South's native foodways through her popular monthly blog, Food Pilgrim.

With her latest work, Saving the Wild South, Eubanks takes a leap into the world of botany to bring readers a deeper understanding of both the threats and most promising developments in the protection and restoration of her region's extraordinary biodiversity. Covering Alabama, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee, Eubanks describes scientific principles behind the work of contemporary botanists and provides a window into the personal motivations and passions that drew them into the field.