

Texas Writers To Dominate Kerrville Folk Festival

KERRVILLE, Tex. — The fifth anniversary Kerrville Folk Festival is scheduled for May 27 through 30 at Quiet Valley Ranch nine miles South of Kerrville. The festival will feature mainly Texas writers and producers, but about a

dozen performers from across the nation will also participate. Peter Yarrow (of Peter Paul and Mary) will be back again this year from California as he continues as a director of the festival, and fellow California yodeling expert Patsy Montana

will be making her first appearance and will judge in the National Yodeling Contest. Miss Montana was the first female country singer to sell a million records when she hit with "I Want To Be A Cowboy's Sweetheart" in 1936.

The 1975 National Yodeling Champion Bill Staines, from New Hampshire, will open the festival in a concert which includes Arkansas singer-writer Bill Haymes who was a 1975 New Folk Award winner. Two contrasting Ohio per-

formers join the festival this year. Ragtime pianist Terry Waldo, from Columbus, is making his second appearance and veteran medicine show performer Harmonica Frank from Georgetown, is bringing his hilarious songs to Kerrville for the first time this year.

Former New York Philharmonic composer-in-residence David Amram, Nashville "New Grass" band, Red White & Blue (grass) and Denver, Colo., writer-performer Mark David McKinnon and Mike Williams will all be making first-time appearances this year.