Today’s Highlights: April 16th, 2022

* Consider Running for the Board of Directors - Be Sure to Say Goodbye to Vanessa!

* Be a M.V.P. - Member/Volunteer/Partner.

* Weather, Birthdays, UnClassifieds and more on the back page!

From J.J.
Hello Saturday Market Members!

Thank you so much for the many responses and feedback regarding the last Saturday Market of the season from the calendar. This is your organization, and it is a beautiful thing when the Members take ownership and help guide the Board in their decision making. There is still time to share your thoughts. Email us at info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org, call us at 541-686-8885, or send a letter at 30 E. Broadway #124, Eugene OR 97401.

It is almost time for a Board of Directors election! If you would like to represent your fellow Market Members, and help steer the Market in the best possible direction, please consider running for the Board. There will be three seats up for election. Board terms are 18 months and the Board meets the first Wednesday of each month from 5:15pm to 7:15pm. Candidate Statements are due in the office no later than Wednesday, May 25th. Please email them along with a picture to info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org. You must attend one Board Meeting within the last 12 months to be eligible to run. The Board meets on May 4th and June 1st before the election on June 4th. The Board meets virtually and in person. Please let us know if there is a Board meeting that you would like to attend, and we will send you the link.

Today is Vanessa’s last day with us here at the Market. I just want to take this time to say thank you and farewell to my co-worker, my friend, my sister. You have been invaluable to the Market, and integral to us both in the office. Best of luck in your new endeavor, and enjoy your Saturdays!

Have a wonderful day!

J.J.

“The universe is big. It’s vast and complicated and ridiculous. And sometimes, very rarely, impossible things just happen and we call them miracles.” -The Doctor, Doctor Who

Mother’s Day Giveaway
Great news! We are bringing back the Mother’s Day Giveaway this year, WOOGHO! We will hold the Giveaway at the stage on May 7th. Anyone can enter their names, including Members, but please remember that this is a Giveaway for your customers. One entry per person per time slot is allowed. We will announce the names at 12pm, 1pm and 2pm at the stage. You must be present to win.

Please bring your donations for the Giveaway to the Info Booth with a note saying it’s for the Giveaway. You can also drop them off at the office during the week. All donations for the Giveaway must be received by 11am on Saturday, May 7th.

Mother’s Day and Founder’s Day are beautiful days at the Market where we celebrate those extraordinary women in our lives. We are so happy to bring it back after two years off.

Sincerely,
Brigitte McBride
Goosehill Gifts - Space #115

Sustainability Corner
Even though last week was cold, a lot of people came down to support their local artists! Of course, not everyone buys something from us during these weekly interactions but they usually support us in other ways, like a compliment or sometimes just a beautiful smile (and now we can see them again). I love meeting and hearing about the artists, and appreciates my use of repurposed materials in my art. We are so fortunate to be surrounded by people that care about these things, and even more fortunate to share steps for sustainability with people that are just beginning to take them. Here are 3 steps for sustainability we can choose as artisans.

Step 1. Are there any materials used in making your art/product that have more earth-friendly options? If yes, think about switching. These options can be more expensive because they often include the environmental cost. If you have to charge more for the finished product, then you can educate your customers about your choices as an artist. Many times, people won’t have a problem paying more if they hear this perspective.

Step 2. Where do our sources/materials can also make a positive difference. Buying or trading in our own communities can translate into a smaller carbon footprint. I know it is hard passing up the low prices and quick delivery of Amazon, so I do allow myself to purchase a few items online. However, it doesn’t have to be our automatic “go to” store. Also, try supporting independent businesses over big box stores whenever possible.

Step 3. Try making something out of repurposed materials. Many of us have mastered this already in our art, and now it’s our job to inspire others! I make flower domes using repurposed jars, and sometimes the flowers break when I am arranging them. I then use these broken flower parts in mini domes, reducing my waste.

Is there something you can make out of a byproduct of your process? Are you looking for an item to repurpose into art? If yes, email me at goosehillgifts@gmail.com, and I will share it in next week’s article.

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UnClassifieds

To place your free unclassified, bring it to the Info Booth by the end of the day, to the office by Thursday at noon, or e-mail it to us at info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org with "NEWSLETTER" in the subject.

Wood Display Pedestals for sale: Total of 7 painted black pedestals, all bases are 7.5” square, and tops are 5.5” square. They all vary in height as follows: 5.5, 6.5, 7.5, 8.5, 9.5, 10.5, & 11.5 inches tall. Used in the past for displaying turned wooden bowls, but will work for many different items. This sale includes a green felt covered, angled board 16” long x 4.5” wide. No partial sales, whole lot $5000. Located in the Corvallis area, but willing to meet you somewhere between Eugene & Corvallis. Call/text Heidi at 541-740-2412.

Cathy Coulson-Keegan’s Memorial

WHERE: Humboldt Mountain State Park in Port Orford, Oregon

WHEN: Sunday, May 15th at 11:30AM (options for camping Saturday May 14 - Monday May 16th with your own reservation at Humbug Mountain State Park)

11:30AM- Meet with Bill and other at Gazebo/group picnic day-use site at Humboldt Mountain State Park in Port Orford, Oregon

12:00PM- Leave Gazebo/group picnic day-use site and walk/hike to the memorial at "The Bench" with Bill and friends which is approximately a 3 mile one-way walk/hike. (There is also another option for you to shuttle yourself. Contact Bill, Emily or Sue for information).

1:30Pm- Memorial at "The Bench". There is ample standing room in this area. Please plan to bring a lightweight chair/blanket if you would like the option to sit down. If assistance is needed to help carry these, please ask Emily for arrangements.

TBD Time- Potluck upon return to the Gazebo/group picnic day-use site

Please RSVP by replying to this email to Emily and Charlie at emily@gentlenaturals.edu or by phone 703-944-2185, Sue at sueeschel80@gmail.com or call Bill. Also, please feel free to reach out with any questions that you may have or if you would like to lend a helping hand.

Bill, Emily, Sue and friends plan on camping at Humbug Mountain State Park from Saturday 4/14 to Monday 4/16 at adjacent campsites #18, #19, and #21.

Saturday Market Social Life!

Follow along with The Saturday Market on the website and through social media. Share your content to get featured on social media. All are welcome!

Facebook: facebook.com/EugeneSaturdayMar ket

Twitter / Instagram: @SaturdayMarket

We’re also on Pinterest, Yelp, TripAdvisor, Google+, and Virtually with Zoom.

Weather

Okay, last Saturday was pretty nice! Just a little sprinkle and a typical beautiful Oregon April spring day! Well, April 16th might be a little wetter with light rain in the evening and afternoon, plus a touch chillier with a high of 51 degrees with W winds 10 to 15 mph. But who knows for sure? It’s April in Eugene Oregon. It’s all good!

The Market Corner

Wishing a Happy April birthday to clothing and accessories artist Diana Haddy today, botanical jewelry artist Maleah Thomas on Monday, clothing and accessories artist Krystal Salvadras on Wednesday, mosaic artist Bill Allord on Friday, and to wood artist Donald Willey on Friday!

A very happy birthday to you all. We hope this is your best year yet!

The Kareng Fund

The Kareng Fund is an emergency relief fund set up to help low-income, self-employed artisans in Oregon who experience a career-threatening crisis. You can make a donation any time in your envelope at the end of the day. Please “round up” your fees or donate in the line provided. You can also donate directly on the website:

http://www.karengfund.org/

The Fund participates in the Amazon Smile program. Just go to smile.amazon.com and search for “Kareng Fund.” Once you select it, all of your purchases will help your fellow artisans in need.

Reminder: You cannot charge your customers a fee for paying with a credit card. You can offer a cash discount instead.

We will not put Visa checks into ReMailed on Wednesday. Call the office or by phone 703-944-2185, Sue at sueeschel80@gmail.com or call Bill. Also, please feel free to reach out with any questions that you may have or if you would like to lend a helping hand.

Attention 4x4 Booth Folks

If you are planning on selling in a 4x4, please wait until you have your space assigned before putting your booth and product in. You must move your car after you have unloaded your booth. Do not place your chairs in the street. Thanks!

Credit Card Sales

Saturday Market accepts Visa, Mastercard, Discover, & American Express. Send your customer to the South Park Info Booth with a properly filled out credit card slip.

Your check for the amount of the sale less 5% for bank charges will be MAILED on Wednesday. Call the office if you would like to pick up your check. We will not put Visa checks into ReServe members' envelopes.

Reminder: You cannot charge your customers a fee or increase the cost of your product by a percentage for paying with a credit card. You can offer a cash discount instead.

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On the Market Stage

10:00 AM Edson Oliveira Brazilian Bossa Nova

11:00 AM Gordon Kaswell Acoustic Variety Songster

12:00 PM Natty O Duo Acoustic Blues

1:00 PM Katie & the Cowboy Americana and More

2:30 PM Riffle Variety Rock

Committee Meetings

StandardsScreenings Weds., April 20th - 5:15 PM - New Member Orientation @ 3:30 PM Standards Committee Weds., April 20th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM Holiday Market Committee Weds., April 21st - 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM Standards Screenings Weds., May 4th - 4:15 PM - New Member Orientation @ 3:30 PM Board Meeting Weds., May 4th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM Standards Screenings Weds., May 18th - 4:15 PM - New Member Orientation @ 3:30 PM Standards Committee Weds., May 18th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

All meetings take place at the Market Office and Virtually with Zoom.

All are welcome!