Today's Highlights: June 4th, 2022

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From JJ

Good Morning Market Members! Today is Election Day! Be sure to come by the Info Booth to cast your vote. We will have candidate statements and envelopes for you. It is very important that you write your name legibly on the envelope. All votes are compared to the Current Member roster, so make sure that we can read your name so that your vote will count! We have three spots available on the Board and have two candidates, Brigitte McBride and Candace Westbrook. You may also write in a candidate if there is someone you know that wants to serve the Market by becoming a Board Member. These three terms run for 18 months.

It has been decided that operating on Sundays during the W.A.C. this year is not feasible.

Today the Lane County Farmers Market returns to the Park Blocks! We have missed having our Sister Market next door, and we look forward to having our mutual customers enjoy not having to walk several blocks to enjoy both markets.

This Tuesday is the first Tuesday Market on the Farmer's Pavilion Block. We are still learning where Saturday Market Members can set up, and we appreciate your patience in this manner. The meeting spot for roll call is still on the corner of S. Park and E. Park. We will let everyone know if it is going to be changed.

Happy Selling!

""Nothing is impossible; the word itself says
I'm possible!" – Audrey Hepburn

M.V.P. Message

Member. Volunteer. Partner.

Fees and All They Do For Us

The Eugene Saturday Market has given me the opportunity to develop and grow my business; through trial and error I learned to make items that would sell, pricing them at the perfect price point. I learned display, to track inventory, and gleaned valuable insight from neighbors and customers. It's everything a microbusiness could need. All because the entry point fees are so low that even a single mother, like I was, who wanted to be her own boss could do it.

Saturday Market is our community. We as members establish the policies and budgets through our elected representatives. Our dedicated staff implements those policies. They keep our Park Blocks safe, clean and functioning. We have an advertising budget that brings in our customers. All of this amazing venue is paid for with our booth fees.

We've established an honor based system for 10% of our fees. There is no greedy promoter who supports a lavish lifestyle off our backs. It's just us; you, me, our neighbors throughout the Park Blocks who have created this space for our American Dream. Those of us who do well help support the beginners by paying our fair share, by living with honor and respect for our venue. And yet it seems some members are sliding by. They may have forgotten that they aren't getting one over on "them" they are getting one over on "us". Let's remember who we are by doing our part with honor and integrity.

Thank You, Ann Schwartz Jaguar Art Glass

If you would like to submit an article for the M.V.P. Message column, please submit it via email to info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org by noon each Wednesday.

FISHING FOR CUSTOMERS
TAKES ONA
NEW MEANING...

THIS AINT
NO CATCH
AND RELEASE...

COWtoons by Willy Gibboney

From Your Standards Committee

Hello everyone! This week's discussion will cover what to do if you don't exactly fit into the rules and guidelines. When starting 52 years ago we didn't have permanent rules. That's why our craft hand book is composed of guidelines not rules. We still hold to our three core Standards which we base our craft review on. The member handbook is a totally different book than the guidelines handbook and has some wiggle room.

If you feel you don't fit into one of the rules in the member handbook, or one of the guidelines, you can contact the general manager and discuss your problem with them first. Then you have the option of taking your concern to the members of the board at a board meeting. There, the board will discuss your concern and make a decision whether to allow you the wiggle room you're asking for.

Here are just a few examples:

- A reserve member can get one vacation month. You pay your fee, but don't have to show up. If for a particular reason you can't meet your obligation to show up in another month you can ask the general manager and/or the board for that extra month, a.k.a. a leave of absence.
- If you were told that your product is not meeting our craft standards or guidelines you can go before the board and express how you're "member contribution outweighs the commercial components."
- If you need an extra employee day you can ask the general manager or the board to grant you one.
- If your significant other passes away, with compassion we make sure you're not left out if you have no points. The manager and the board will help with these needs to make sure you are able to attend the market if you wish.

The Saturday Market has been there for you for 52 years and hopefully we'll be here another 52 years. If you have any concerns talk to the general manager and if needed she will refer you to go to a board meeting.

Your Standards Co-Chairs, Teresa Pitzer and Gary Becker

The next Standards Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 15th at 5:15PM



Happy Birthday to all our amazing Gemini friends! Christina from Little Yellow Leaf Shop celebrated her birth last Sunday, May 29th. Dru the jeweler and Ambriel celebrated their birthdays last Monday the 30th. Yolanda of Self-Care Collections celebrated her first birthday as a member this last Wednesday, June 1st. Abdul Waheed of Afghani Cuisine celebrated his birthday last Thursday, June 2nd. Melanie from Fridays At The Farm celebrates their birthday today!

very happy birthday to you all. We hope you have a glorious year!



If you don't see your birthday, please let us know.

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.

The website is the best place to file an application for a grant. If you are not in a crisis, try the microloan program at Community Lending Works, which partners with the Kareng Fund to help with building up supplies or paying fees. Here is a link:

https://communitylendingworks.org/

Thank you all for your generosity and continuing compassion for your neighbors and friends in the artisan community.

Daniel

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.

Sell at Eugene Pagan Pride Day

If you are interested in selling at Eugene Pagan Pride on Aug. 7th, please email Sarah at: <u>sarahbaststudio@gmail.com</u>. For more details about the event please email Sarah or visit:

www.eugenepaganpride.org

Looking to Share a OCF Booth

Lisa Gladiola is looking for a booth to share at this year's Oregon Country Fair. She has dolls, finger puppets, and a couple dollhouses which don't take up much room. Call (541) 913- 0857 or email lisagladiola88@gmail.com.

Weaving Cards For Sale or Trade

2 decks of tablet weaving cards available, plus instruction book. One is 4 hole and the other is 6 hole. Never used. Open to trades. Colleen Fancher Booth #201 or (760) 402-0257.

Looking Gridwall Panels & Waterfalls

I'm looking to buy a few gridwall panels. Waterfalls too. Anybody have some they want to get rid of? If so, please call or text me (541) 344-9073 Diana G.

Kaleidoscope Guy for OCF Booth

Juried kaleidoscope guy is looking for a booth at Oregon Country Fair. Small footprint, established camp on Farside, easy going, construction skills and lots of experience. Fun!

Larry (541) 321-2381 booth 173

Oregon Country Fair Helper Needed

Diana from Dancing Tree is looking for a helper in her OCF booth. Work in exchange for a camping pass. It tends to be a fast paced environment, so I am looking for someone who is a quick learner, takes directions well, and is on time. Retail or Saturday Market experience is a plus. Be willing to rock something I make while you work. Check out www.DancingTreeCreations.Etsy.com for a peak at some of what I sew. If you are interested please send an email to Dianagardener@ vahoo.com with a little about yourself and your phone number. Thanks

Weather

This Saturday will be more on the rain side than the sunny side. The high today is 68°F with a low of 46°F. There is a 90% chance of rain today, with around 81% humidity. A wind of 7mph is expected from the south southeast. Maybe if we all wish really hard, next week will be sunny.



Sales, O sales, sales I hope!

Ancient Market incantation (Nov 3, 1973)

On the Market Stage

10:00 AM **Janet Naylor** Celtic Harp

11:00 AM Jesse Boden Singer, Songwriter

12:00 PM Deer & Antelope Band Rock, Oldies, Blues & Jazz

1:00 PM To Be Announced 2:00 PM Inner Limits Blues, Rock, Funk

Committee Meetings

Orientation and Screenings Weds., June 15th - 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

- New Member Orientation @ 3:30 PM
- Product Screening @ 4:15 PM

Standards Committee Meeting Weds., June 15th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

Holiday Market Committee Meeting Thurs., June 16th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

Board of Directors Meeting Weds., June 29th - 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Orientation and Screenings Weds., July 20th - 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

- New Member Orientation @ 3:30 PM
- Product Screening @ 4:15 PM

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

All are welcome!

The Saturday Market **BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

Chairperson - Anna Lawrence Vice Chairperson - Willy Gibboney Secretary - Diane McWhorter Treasurer - Cortney Fellet Sarah Bast, Gary Becker, Shannon Lee-Hutson, Vincent LaRochelle, Nome May, Damian McDonald, Bekah Zeimetz

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