**Today's Highlights: May 6th, 2023**

- **We Need Volunteers!** - Please Consider Running for the Board
- **From the Office - Mothers Day Giveaway** (We Still Need Donations)
- **Weather, Birthdays, Unclassifieds and more on the back page!**

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**From the Office**

A few topics to note:

- **CONSTRUCTION:** I am sure you have noticed the construction happening this past week on 8th and Oak. Most of the construction this week was EWEB working on repairs for the waterline. The city’s project will start on May 15th with pipe work in the street, which will not impact Saturday Market.

- **November:** The Board of Directors voted last Wednesday that Saturday, November 4th will be the only selling day in November 2023. This allows for a better transition into the Holiday Market.

- **PROTESTORS:** Saturday Market is an inclusive market, it is one of our primary tenants, which means we have ALL beliefs, religions, and political causes represented with no judgement or modification. We do NOT discriminate; we promote FREE SPEECH. As we are a collective of small businesses, we do, however have a few simple rules when a group comes to Market:
  - NO amplification- we comply with the City’s ordinance regarding amplification.
  - DO Not block the pedestrian thoroughfare.
  - Do not stay in one place for more than 30 minutes.
  - Do not interfere with our members’ ability to peaceful commerce, nor the Market Patrons and their families.

Sometimes we do have issues, sometimes we have people who want to incite violence and under the guise of “free speech” use their words to hurt and promote hate. Hate speech is not “free speech” use their words to hurt and promote hate. Hate cannot drive out hate; light can do that. Hate cannot drive out darkness; only love can do that. “Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.”

- **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.**

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**We Need Volunteers for our HM Guidebook!**

Hello our many talented artisans! It’s no secret that our organization would not be what it is today if it were not for the work of our many volunteers. Today we will be talking about a unique volunteering opportunity: helping us prepare and distribute a guidebook for Holiday Market 2023! If you have not yet seen one of our Guidebooks, they are a small booklet where members can advertise their business and Holiday Market space.

Who can volunteer? Anyone! We will report back during the meeting with our Holiday Market space.

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**Mother’s Day Giveaway**

This year we are so excited for our Mother’s Day Giveaway on Saturday May 13th, 2023. (That’s only one weekend away!)

We are still in need of donations for the Mother’s Day Giveaway. You can drop off your donations with your business card to the Info Booth on Saturdays. (Tuesday-Friday, 10am-4pm). We will stop collecting donations at 11am on Saturday, May 13th.

Your donations do not need to be physical products, and you are more than welcome to donate a gift certificate to your business.

Your art will be given away on the Market Stage at 11am, 12pm, 1pm, 2pm, and 3:30pm on May 13th, our Mother’s Day Market. Prizes will be given out until they are gone! Honor the amazing motherly figures in your life by participating in this fun event!

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**Please Consider Running for the Board of Directors**

It’s time to consider running for the Market’s Board of Directors! Election day is Saturday, June 10th. Three eighteen month positions will be open. Deadline for candidate statements (with a picture of yourself) is Wednesday, May 24th, please send them to: info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org or hand them in to the Info Booth on Saturdays.

You must attend at least one Board meeting in the 12 months before the election. The next Board Meeting is June 7th at 5:15-7:15 pm at the Market Office. You may attend any meeting in person or via Zoom. Please consider running for the Board of Directors, as it is a special and unique way to get to know our organization. It is also a great way to meet and get to know other local artisans. Any currently enrolled member can run for the Board of Directors.

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**Kareng Fund**

The Kareng Fund is an emergency relief fund set up to help low-income, self-employed artisans in Oregon who experienced 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 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.

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**Cowboys by: Willy Gibbons**

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**Saturdays Market Newsletter**

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The Market Corner

Wishing a Happy Birthday to all our Taurus friends! Happy birthday to Angela of North Train Designs, who celebrated last Sunday. Wishing a very happy birthday to Loren, the Lemonade Gourmet, who celebrated last Monday. Last Thursday, Danielle the Moon Jelly Jeweler, and Sierah of SEW Fresh partied it up. Yesterday Diane the Ephemeria Empress and Michael of the Tenth Muse celebrated their birthday. Today we celebrate the birth of Pam the Wild Tulp Designer.

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

If we forget your birthday, let us know! We‘ll be sure to include it in the following newsletter.

Food Specials!

THE MAC - Join us in space F03 for The Mac’s Grand Opening at 10AM in our International Food Court.

TIA MARIA PIZZERIA - We will be offering our Sausage and Four Cheese pizza for one more weekend.

NICE RICE - The Breakfast Omelette is back! Happy Hour will be from 10-11AM, and include one omelette and coffee for $10

Any food booths or pre-packaged food member can advertise monthly or weekly specials by emailing renee@eugenesaturdaymarket.org

Thank You Mallory!

We would like to thank Mallory Dahl, our Assistant Manager, for all that you have done for us. While we are sad to see you go, we are excited for your new opportunity to help our local schools. Congratulations on your new position, and please don‘t be a stranger on Saturdays.

Mallory will be with us for the next two Saturdays, and we hope that everyone gets a chance to wish her luck in her new position. We will be looking for a new Assistant Manager, and all interested parties are encouraged to view the full job description at: www.eugenesaturdaymarket.org/employment-opportunities/

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 email it to us at info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org with NEWSLETTER in the subject.

Eggs and Raspberry Starts for Sale!
Jola Garretson will be having a fresh free range eggs and 1 gallon raspberry starts for sale today at her booth. One dozen eggs - $6, one gallon raspberry start $10 each.

You‘re Invited to Ambriel‘s B-Day!
Hello, Ambriel will be having a Birthday Party on May 30th at Green Waters Park in Oakridge. It will be a potluck/BBQ from 12pm-6pm. Those interested in attending should call Ambriel at: (541) 782-2427

In Need of a Car
Hello, I am in need of a car, so if you have an leads on good cars for sale, ride-shares, or you‘d just like to say hi please call me at (541) 782-2427. Thanks - Ambriel.

Empty Bowls Sale New Location
The Empty Bowls Sale is Friday, May 5, 4:30 to 7:30 pm, at The Market Alley at 5th Street Public Market, 550 Pearl Street, Eugene. You‘ll find an assortment of clay, glass, metal, wood and fiber bowls all donated by local artists. Prices begin at $10 per bowl, and proceeds benefit FFLC's hunger relief efforts in Lane County. We are now accepting donansions of bowls. Please wrap your bowls, put them in a box with a lid and take them to FFLC, 770 Bailey Hill Road, Eugene, Monday through Friday from 9am to 4pm. The submission deadline is May 1. Questions? Please contact FFLC Events Coordinator Dawn Marie Woodruff at (541) 343-2822 or dwoodruff@foodforlanecounty.org

Sage Liskey Seeking OCF Booth Share
Sage Liskey of Rad Cat Press is seeking to share a booth at OCF. As little as 3 ft. of table space is needed for empowering books and posters. Interested parties should text (541) 224-6679. Thanks!

Weather

Well, we did it. We went for four whole weekends of sun. Today, however, rain is expected to join us today. Temperature wise, a high of 88°F and a low of 41°F is expected. There will be 75% humidity, and a 48% chance of rain. Winds of 7mph are expected from the Southwest. Stay dry, and stay hydrated out there!

On the Market Stage
10:00 AM Little "T"
Singer/Songwriter
11:00 AM JohnShipe
Singer/Songwriter
12:00 PM Mountain Son
1:00 PM Vocal-Is
Reggae
2:30 PM Gypsy Moon
Mediterranean Dance Music

All are welcome!

Community Meetings

Food Court Committee Meeting Weds., May 10 - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM
Orientation and Screenings Weds., May 17 - 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM - New Member Orientation @ 5:15 PM - Product Screening @ 6:10 PM
Standards Committee Meeting Weds., May 17 - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM
Holiday Market Committee Meeting Weds., May 24 - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM
Board of Directors Meeting Weds., June 7 - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM
All meetings take place at the Market Office and on Zoom. Request a Zoom link by emailing info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org.