Today's Highlights: April 20th, 2024

- ★ Happy National Pineapple Upside-Down Cake Day!
- ★ Volunteer of the Month: Anna Lawrence, Happy Earth Day Weekend
- ★ Weather, Birthdays, UnClassifieds and more on the back page!

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From the Office: Revised Guidelines & More

Greetings Artisans! I hope everyone is having a chill April 20^{th} .

I know I made the announcement online, but in case you are unaware... your Saturday Market Volunteer of the month of April is the Indomitable Anna Lawrence! Anna has always been a superstar volunteer as an active member of several committees (Cold War- present), as Volunteer Coordinator (2022), as Board Chair (2022), and currently as the Co-Chair of Standards Committee.

During 2023, the Standards Committee spent the year revising the Market Standards and Craft Specific Guidelines. We have a current up-to-date revised copy available online, in the office, and we also have copies at the Info Booth. If you have not read it in a while, I encourage every Member to review our Market Standards, it is what makes this Market unique. The Standards Committee is always looking for more members, get involved today.

Speaking about amazing volunteer opportunities, Board of Directors elections are in June. Please consider running for the Board and contributing in a meaningful way to our community. Contact the office for more information.

Did you know that the Saturday Market rolls it phone over to the park blocks on Saturday? If you dial the Saturday Market office number (541)686-8885 on Saturday a staff member in the Info Booth will answer. If you need assistance or need to report a situation, please do not hesitate to call.

> "Well done is better than well said." -Benjamin Franklin

> > Thank You, Shannon Lee-Hutson General Manager

Being Featured Online & Social Media Info

Follow along with The Saturday Market on the website and through social media! Things are always changing and being added. Share your content to get included and reach a new audience! This can be done by tagging our official pages or emailing Renee. Members interested in being featured on the official Saturday Market pages should check-in with Info Booth Staff or Renee. We love to celebrate new items, new artisans, anniversaries,

holidays and special occasions too! Facebook: <u>facebook.com/EugeneSaturday-</u> <u>Market</u>

Twitter / Instagram: @SaturdayMarket

We're also on Pinterest, Yelp, TripAdvisor, Google Business, YouTube, Flickr, & more.

Volunteer of the Month: Anna Lawrence

As we begin our 55th season of Saturday Market, I wanted to write about Volunteers/volunteering. Having just been nominated as April 2024's Volunteer of the month I wanted to say a bit about the importance of Volunteering. It is the backbone of our market, it sustains us, it is us and it is available to us all. Volunteers make up our Board, volunteers are the people that make up our many committees, they are our "backup staff".

Without volunteers we wouldn't have sustainable practices such as our Fork program and our composting capabilities, we wouldn't have such cool decorations, awesome street names in Holiday Hall, the 2 stages, and The Elf Game at Holiday Market nor would we have the Standards Committees commitment to keeping our market's art fresh and original.

There are a variety of additional committees like Personnel (you must be a Board member to be on this one) and the Budget Committee (you have to know your way around numbers and processes to join) and many task forces that have come and gone after their work is done. Task forces are groups like The Guidebook Street Team, the Booth Reassignment Task Force (formed to find more reserve booths on the Park Blocks for those displaced this year after construction) and the Living Wage Task Force from 2 years ago.

You can join a committee any time you want. It is a satisfying role to join with your neighbors and friends in activities that our member volunteers do for the market. You get to be part of the magic that is the "back stage" portion of market every Saturday and at Holiday Market, as well. It is satisfying, gratifying and meaningful to be part of what market does to be the awesome market that we are. Plus you get to rub elbows with our awesome staff who are totally rocking our market world.

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MAKING CHANGE: The market will make change for our members, up to \$60, each Saturday.

LOST & FOUND: Please turn in found items to the South Park Info Booth and tell customers to go to the South Park Info Booth for lost & found items. They can also call the office at 541-686-8885. Saturday Market is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

FIRST AID: Find supplies in case of an injury or emergency, AED, also period products too.

MAPS & PROMO MATERIALS: Maps of the Saturday Market, as well as promotional Saturday Market items like generic business cards, stickers, and posters can be found in the Info Booth. Help us spread the word about our awesome Market!

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Nome Says to Join Our Board of Directors!

Our Market magically appears on the Park Blocks every Saturday. This magical event is maintained by the behind-thescenes efforts of many, many fairies and elves. There are elves in their workshops throughout the week, making wonderful things. And there are fairies that volunteer on Committees and serve on the Board of Directors. (I'm not sure where our wonderful staff fits into this fanciful analogy - Angels? Wizards? But you get the idea...)

Do you want to do something positive, and give some love to our Market? Run for the election to the Eugene Saturday Market Board! Our next election is in June, and the only two requirements for being candidate: 1. turn in a candidate statement and picture to the office by May 23rd and 2. attend one Board meeting before the election. You don't need experience with being on a Board of Directors. Your helpful friends and neighbors who have served or are currently serving can show you how we do!

If you are new to Market, if you have been for a while, if you wonder how we make the magic, if you are board-curious, come join us at a Board meeting by Zoom or in-person on May 1st at 5:15pm. We meet in-person in a really nice conference room above the Market office. Or you can call the office for a Zoom link and attend from the comfort of your own home.

This is the first step in considering joining the Eugene Saturday Market Board. The only requirements are submitting a candidate statement and picture before May 23rd to the office and needing to attend one Board meeting in the past year. The Board meeting on May 1st is the last meeting before elections.

It is rewarding, it is intellectually challenging, and it is a good feeling knowing you are serving a community 54+ years in the making. It looks good on your resume, it impresses your family and friends. It only lasts 18 months per term with a two term limit. We meet once a month for 2 to 2 1/2 hours. It is a chance to learn our history and be part of our legacy. Do think about giving it a go!

> In Gratitude, Nome May, ESM Board Chairperson

Donations Needed!

Consider donating some of your work to the Saturday Market Mothers Day Giveaway! Last year we were able to give away over 94 items. If you are interested, please bring your item, and a business card, to the Info Booth or office BEFORE 5/11. The Mothers Day Giveaway is scheduled this year for Saturday, May 11th. The Giveaway will last all day, and is a great way to connect with customers in a new way.



Wishing a Happy Birthday to all our Taurus friends! Happy birthday to Donald the woodworker and Bill of Shining Star Mosaics, who celebrates on April 22nd. A very happy birthday to Richard of Fired Up Ceramics and Becca of Firebird Silverworks who celebrate on April 24th. Last, but not least, happy birthday to Andre the screenprinter who celebrates on April 27th.

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

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

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 <u>info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org</u> with "NEWSLETTER" in the subject.

Seeking A Roommate!

I have a room with a prvate bath open to rent for a responsible, mature individual in the River Road area. Room is fully furnished and ready for move-in upon approval from the landlord. Nice, quiet neighborhood, plenty of storage and space to work in, and a lovely little backyard garden. Introduce yourself to Audra Blake at the Market or contact her at <u>noelanius@aol.com</u> if interested. \$900 per month, all inclusive.

Counterfeit Pens Available

If you are in need of a way to test the authenticity of your currency, visit Kevin Tisserand (booth location changes). Pens will be about \$2.00. Available while supply lasts.

OCF Spring Fling Donations Needed: Please reach out to

vanessa@oregoncountryfair.org by 4/26 if you would like to donate your amazing products for our basket raffle. All proceeds go to support Culture Jam.

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If you are a member in need of charging your cell phone Dale from Stone Valley Creations can help! Gratuity greatly appreciated, booth location subject to change.

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Happy Earth Day Weekend

With Earth Day fast approaching, (Monday, April 22, 2024) The members of the Sustainability Committee would like to encourage everyone to join with us in celebrating both Earth Day and the return of two of our favorite projects – durable forks and spoons in the Food Court, and the sorting of the trash we produce into compostable materials and items that must be sent to the landfill. Here are some practices you can begin that will help us do both.

An easy one is to return the fork or spoon that you picked up at the Food Court booth into one of the labeled buckets so that they can be collected, washed and returned for reuse another Saturday. Please, don't put it in the larger trash or compost barrel.

While you're managing your trash, please keep plastic items, cans, glass and recyclable-but-not-compostable items out of the barrels marked "compost." Check the signs on the barrel if you have any questions. This includes stickers and fishing line hangers that make up "microtrash". Microtrash is very hard for our sorters to get out. We all like compost without bits of plastic and stickers – take it home.

Another one – bring your own travel mug for your drinks, especially if you like hot beverages. Many of the compostable cups are not heat tolerant – they actually begin to melt when hot beverages are put into them, which isn't safe for you or useful to the artisan.

If you are a regular visitor to our Market, bring your own plate or bowl and utensils from home. Scrape the residual food off of the plate into the barrel with the label "compost" before repacking your kit to take home to clean. Add your used utensils to the dishwashing routine at home, saving our crew from needing to clean that "one more item."

Are you here with a friend? Do you know neither of you can finish off the whole serving from your favorite food booth here at Market? Consider splitting a dish with a friend or neighbor, or inquire about smaller serving sizes. This way you can enjoy your favorite Market snacks while supporting our International Food Court and curbing food waste here at Market.

Thanks for your help!

Denise Gosar Sustainability Committee Member





Weather

Unfortunately rain is also expected today, approx. 53% chance of the drip-drops. But, they should stick to the afternoon time. The high will be around 420°F-I mean, 66°F. The low is expected to be around 40°F. Partly cloudy skies with occasional showers in the afternoon, and a 10-20 mph wind from the Southwest. Humidity will be around 59%.



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Ancient Market incantation (Nov 3, 1973)

On the Market Stage

10:00 AM Linda Danielson & Janet Naylor

- Old Time America Music 11:00 AM **Rudolf Korv**
- Americana

12:00 PM **Amblin**

Rock 1:00 PM Marcus Brown & Ghost Town

- Country, Americana
- 2:30 PM Robert & the Atmosphere Rhythm and Blues

Committee Meetings

Food Court Committee Meeting Wed., April 24th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

Holiday Market Committee Meeting Fri., April 26th - 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Orientation and Screenings

- Wed., May 1st 3:15 PM 5:00 PM - New Member Orientation @ 3:15 PM
- Product Screening @ 4:00 PM

Board of Directors Meeting Wed., May 1st - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

All meetings take place at the Market Office and on Zoom. Request a Zoom link by emailing <u>info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org</u>.

All are welcome!

The Saturday Market BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Chairperson - Nome May Vice Chairperson - Bekah Zeimetz Secretary - Diane McWhorter Treasurer - Heather Robbins-Hinton Sarah Bast, Candice Westberg, Maia Bowers, Julia Garretson, Jennifer Hoberg, Gary Spetzler

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Standards Committee Co-Chairs: Candice Westberg, Anna Lawrence Food Committee Co-Chairs: Casey Marks-Fife-Ito, Richard Harnsongkram Holiday Market Committee Co-Chairs: Dara Robertson, Doug Robertson Sustainability Committee Chair: Brigitte McBride, Julia Garretson Volunteer Coordinators: Kevin Levy, Willy Gibboney

Staff

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