From Kirsten
Good Morning Saturday Marketers!
Happy Founders Day! Today we celebrate the individuals that came together in May 1970 and created The Saturday Market—a vibrant and successful market for local artists, craftspeople, musicians and chefs to connect with the community and share their talents. Forty-nine years later we are still at it!

Today we celebrate Lotte Streisinger who passed away in December 2017. She is one of our original founders. There is a display on the West Park Block deck in honor of her contributions to the Saturday Market, Farmers Market and the local art scene. Her vision survives her and we are grateful for her commitment to enhance the lives of artists in all their forms. Please take a moment to stop by the deck and see the display.

It is also the Mother’s Day Giveaway today. Be sure to tell your customers to put their name in the basket at the stage. We will be doing drawings at 11 am, 12 pm, 1 pm, 2 pm, and 3:30 pm. The only rule is you must be present to win. If you have something you’d like to donate to the giveaway, please bring it to the information booth. All donated items will be given away, so let’s make this the biggest giveaway ever!

Enjoy the sunshine today. It should be an amazing market.

Happy Selling!
Kirsten

Consider Running for the Board!
It’s time to consider running for the Market’s Board of Directors. Election day is June 9th. Three eighteen month positions will be open. Deadline for candidate statements is Wednesday, May 23rd. You must attend at least one Board meeting in the 12 months before the election. The next Board Meeting is June 6th at 5:30-7:30 pm at the Market Office.

Sell at Tuesday Market!
As a Market member, you are welcome to sell at the Tuesday Farmers’ Market. To get a space, find Courtney on the East Park Block by 9 a.m. on Tuesday. The daily fee is $5 plus 10%, all booths are 8x8. Hours are 10-3. There is no free parking on Tuesdays. Tuesday Market has a separate point system that is not related to Saturday Park Blocks or Holiday Market points.

Credit Card Sales
Market accepts Visa, Mastercard, Discover & American Express. Send your customer to the Info Booth with a properly filled out credit card slip (available at the Info Booth). Your customer check for the amount of the sale less 5% for bank charges will be ready on Wednesday at noon at the office or mailed at the end of that day.

M.V.P. Message
Member. Volunteer. Partner.

Almost fifteen years ago, I showed up at the Info Booth, stood in line, and got a spot across the street by the free speech area. Time went by, I was determined to get a better space, and I finally did. The Saturday Market doesn’t just appear every Saturday by magic. It is a wonderful coordinated dance. Stop by at 5 pm if you don’t believe me. The grease that keeps the dance moving is our Board of Directors. These are not local celebrities, or the super rich, it’s the person who sets up next to you. Once I became established as “successful,” meaning I could pay my rent, and buy food… I felt a need to give back to this wonderful dance of commerce, and love. I chose to run for the Board. I quickly found out the inner workings of our Market. Our Board sets policy, hires people, and listens to individual problems on a regular basis. I actually made a difference just by being there, and listening. This is something any of us can do. Even you. The requirements are easy. Be a Market Member, and attend a Board Meeting. A healthy Market needs a steady influx of new faces to keep vibrant, and up with the times. Now is an excellent time to run for our Board and make that difference in how things get done. It requires some extra time to go to meetings. But that is easily offset by the gift you give to the rest of us. So, next time you’re setting up, think about how lucky we are to work for ourselves, doing what we love, and we actually have a beautiful place to make it all come true.

-Willy Gibboney
White Raven Art Works

You might know me from my recycled art stuff! Last year I donated a whole bunch of crafts-related books to Saturday Market. Most are crafts-business related. I plan to review crafts books periodically in the newsletter and make the book available in the market library. Checking them out is an easy process. I sincerely hope Market members will find this library useful and use it! Please contact Saturday Market’s office for more information.

Thanks folks.


This compact book has a wealth of info on running a successful crafts business. Includes great advice on pricing, marketing and promoting your products and has a great resources section with many links. There are also brief interviews with successful crafters on specific subjects. Highly recommended!


A very thorough book on a complicated selling area. Covers best ways of maximizing sales online including: creating your own website, using ETSY, how to take and use better photos, writing good descriptive text, using social media (Facebook, etc), using online galleries, and much more. Very useful for staying at the cutting edge of selling!

Cliff Martin
Art-O-Cycle

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.

Weights Available
Booth weights are required for pop-up booths and strongly recommended for metal pole and wooden frame booths.

There are canvas booth weight bags available at the Info Booth at the low price of $10 each. They are not filled, you’ll have to do that yourself, it can be done for $5 or less at Lane Forest Products.

About Parking
You have only 20 minutes to park for loading and unloading. Then you must move your vehicle and go park your car. There are several options ranging from free to low cost. On Saturdays, the OverPark and the Parade are free.

If your booth is next to the curb, you must keep your chairs and possessions out of the street and parking spaces. This is a safety measure. It is also a way to be sure that customers can access the Market by parking close in.

Fees & Late Fees Reminder
Remember, you must pay for your Market day by Wednesday to get your point in time for the next Saturday. Also remember that after 30 days a $5 late fee is added to your own ing, and after 60 days another $5 fee is added for a total of $10.

Saturday Market Social Life!
Follow along with The Saturday Market on the website and through social media. Share your content to get included and reach a new audience!

Facebook: facebook.com/EugeneSaturdayMarket
Twitter: @SaturdayMarket
We’re also on: Pinterest - Yelp - TripAdvisor - Google Business - YouTube - Flickr and more.

Local Events
May 12 Downtown Prom @ Kesey
May 13 Mother’s Day
May 19 Art-O-Cycle
May 28 Memorial Day
The Market Corner

Happy May Birthday to Caroline Richards, Dale DeRoos, Loren Trenit, Jenna Olli, David MacDondan, Diane McWhorter, Tina Evangelho, Carol Nelson, David Winship, Caroline Dunn, Teresa Pitzer, Cassie Vandenburgh, David Hascall, David McIninch, David Brady, Elise Corin, Dave Parry, Moon Rainbow, Angela Egermont, April Sperah, Daniel Walling, Joanna Milligan, Elbridge Baucum, Ben Bruzga, Tree Hanko-McCabe, Jesse Ivy, Alex Tromba, Dezerea Moore, Eric Myers, Amibriel Leilani, Bruce Barker, Dru Marchbanks and Bob Haley. A very happy birthday to you all. We hope this is your best year yet!

Food Court Specials!

RENAISSANCE PIZZA’S May Special is the Escape To The Matterhorn. Organic baby spinach is layered with Swiss cheese, sherry cream sauce, mushrooms, sliced red onions, a spritz of white wine and a drizzle of organic extra virgin olive oil.

DANA’S CHEESECAKE BAKERY’S week special is Lemon Cheesecake!

BANGKOK GRILL has 2 May Specials: Thai Green Curry - Coconut green curry with tofu*, carrots*, green beans*, and bamboo shoots. Served with steamed rice. Vegan and gluten free; AND Thai Pork on a Stick - pork marinated in a dark soy and garlic sauce. Gluten free!

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Volunteers Needed!
The Saturday Market relies on member volunteers to achieve its many goals. We are currently looking for volunteers to join the Standards Committee. You must attend three Standards meetings to be eligible to vote on Standards business. As a Standards Committee member you are tasked with screening new members’ products. This is a great opportunity to welcome new members into our community!

UnClassifieds

To place your free unclassified, living is to the info booth by the end of the day, to the office by Thursday at noon, or e-mail info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org with “NEWSLETTER” in the subject. mf wolik photography (nature’s refection) is looking for a booth rep to share the magic with at Oregon Country Fair this year! Please reach out! mf wolik@gmail.com, (4/22)

Country house for sale. 10 acres with year round creek. 2100 sq. ft. ranch style house. Forested and flat pasture for organic gardening or livestock. RV pad, fully fenced for animals. Property is 50 miles west of Eugene by Triangle Lake and Deadwood. Email watermelonkidz@hotmail.com or call #541-337-1969 for pictures (4/22).

Larry the Kaleidoscope guy is looking for a new OCF booth to share. Small footprint, established campsite. $ and good vibes. Come by booth 173 or call #541.321.2381 (4/5/15).

Interested in a closer acquaintance with ceramics? You might like to know that two of our Saturday Market vendors make great teachers! This May and June both Katie Swenson and Dave Winget will be teaching daytime classes at Clay Space. Katie’s Monday class will feature hand building techniques in porcelain; Dave will offer a Wednesday working on the potter’s wheel class. Check out the classes at www.clayspaceonline.com or call Clay Space for more information #541-653-8089. (4/24).

Deb Schussler would like to commission an Elf for the Holiday Market Elf Hunt. Please contact her at thetwistedgoddess@yahoo.com, (4/22).

Buy an apron for Mom and get free gift wrapping at Greenhoots Booth #303. (5/12).

Weather

Today’s weather should be beautiful! High of 76 degrees, with a 10% chance for rain. Winds @ 11 MPH.

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