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SATURDAY MARKET NEWSLETTER
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Saturday Market

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The Honor of It All

Greetings Artisans,

In our 55th Season, in the 21st Century, it is a wonder, an anomaly, and a triumph to be a community that adheres to the honor principle of conducting business.

The honor principle assumes that members of the community will be honest (not only in their work, but in all their behavior), will respect others' rights and persons, will take responsibility for the effect of their behavior on the community, and will engage in conscientious self-reflection.

The Eugene Saturday Market can proudly claim over half a century of the honor principle in successful practice. It begins at the new member orientation and screening process, where each new member joining, avows full creative ownership of their product(s). Then every Saturday, your basic booth fee (\$15.00 for 8x8 etc.) is tallied and applied to basic rent of our Market space(s). Your reported 10% fee covers so much more of the costs incurred creating and building this Organization/Institution. This 10% is an integral part of the honor principle successfully employed.

So, every Saturday when you are filling out your envelope, take a minute and congratulate yourself on being a part of such a wonderful, honorable tradition! It does not matter if you have had a good day or a bad day, your 10% keeps the Market healthy and alive!

Stay True,
Shannon Lee-Hutson
General Manager

MVP Message:

Thank You Market! By Joe Blakely

At 84 years of age, and as a self published author, writing only about Oregon, including local, regional, and state stories, I sold 2212 books last year.

Make no mistake, my achievement would not have happened without Eugene's Saturday and Holiday Markets. Board Members and staff offered me encouragement every step of the way in reaching my goal of trying to sell 2023 books last year.

The Saturday Market Board of Directors and its managers have steered the Market through lean and good years. It's a miracle the market still exists. Take the COVID-19 years for example. While other businesses and not-for-profits crashed, Saturday Market survived. One reason might be the veracity of our leaders who have been responsible and caring, not only to staff, and vendors, but also to the community at large.

Sometimes I get the feeling that Saturday Market is underrated and unappreciated. In my own case I know that I took the market for granted when I first started twenty years ago. "Oh, it has always been here hasn't it?" I thought flippantly. Market managers, in league with the nine member voluntary Board of Directors have overcome many hardships in order to provide me a space where I can promote my books. Now, respectfully I applaud their dedication.

Literally thousands of people have passed by my booth and seen my books on display— thousands have bought them. There is absolutely no other way I could have sold and displayed them like this had it not been for Saturday Market. The cost for me to have this opportunity has been minimal. I get instant feedback from readers, I get to talk with my customers, I get to be around other crafters who make their own— pottery, jewelry, leather craft, sculpturing, poetry or heck just some crackpot invention. I'm inspired by these folks. Now, after months of researching the Market's history, I'm awestruck, and indebted.

I'm glad I am a vendor for a not-for-profit corporation, run by a Board of Directors who not only direct but serve, and a staff, that fervently believe in these principals.

The Mission Statement of the Saturday Market is:

1. To promote the public appreciation and advance the awareness of local art and artisans.

Thank You Market! Continued...

2. To promote and advance the growth and development of new business and successful local artisans.
3. To promote and advance the arts and sciences.
4. To promote community education and networking.
5. To promote the social welfare of the community by encouraging the interaction and cross-cultural exposure of diverse components of the community including their food and customs, and thereby eliminating prejudice and discrimination based on social class, age, race, sexual orientation, disability, and cultural orientation.

-Joe Blakely - Author

Local Events

- May 31 - Last Friday ArtWalk in Whit
- June 1 - Dozer Day @ Lane Events Center
- June 1 - First Saturday BirdWalk
- June 1 - Oregon Gran Fondo
- June 2 - NAACM

Find more local events by visiting local event calendars online like: the Eugene Weekly, KLCC, Lane Events Center & More

Reserve Now for the August 3rd Sustainability Rocks Community Block Party

As you have probably heard, Saturday August 3rd we are shutting down the streets and having a block party to celebrate the return of our sustainability program! We have added 30 spaces going up Oak Street and I would like to make sure we fill every space.

So, I am asking that anyone interested in selling that day, please check in early! That is all members reserved or not.

RESERVE MEMBERS SPECIFICALLY: check in for August 3rd by July 29th. That way I can give away unoccupied spaces to to your non-reserved neighbors.

I plan on spending the week leading up to August 3rd placing pre-checked in members in spaces so I can really fill every space. There will also be spaces to pick from in the morning as usual, but hopefully we can shorten that process with a pre-check in. With so many extra spaces, we run the risk of check in going way too long.

As always, e-mail me any questions, concerns or ideas on how to make this a special day!

Sonia, Membership
sonia@eugenesaturdaymarket.org



Envelope Art by: Cassie Genc



The Market Corner

Happy Birthday to all our June/summer friends! Happy Birthday to Abdul Waheed over at Afghani Cuisine and Yuko of Yuko K. Designs who celebrate tomorrow. Happy Birthday Ann of Jaguar Art Glass and Cheri of Sand Candles by the Sea, who celebrate on June 6th. Last but not least, Happy Birthday to Caroline of Caroline Holm Studio who celebrates next Saturday, June 8th.

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.

Should We Open in March? We Want Your Opinions!

The Board is considering opening in March, instead of April, starting in 2026. We would like to know what you think!

As the climate continues to change, there will increasingly be summer and fall days when the heat and/or smoke limits our ability to attract customers. Opening in March would give us more opportunities. March is the new April!

If we opened in March, we could talk about finishing the outdoor season at the end of October. Outdoor Market days in November are poorly attended, because many vendors want to stay home and get ready for Holiday Market. Getting the word out would be simpler if we could say we are open outdoors "March through October" instead of "April through mid-November" (which is a little vague).

But what about the weather? There's no doubt we have some chilly and rainy days in March. But that hasn't stopped us from being open in October and November. And there is one more hours of daylight in March than in October.

So what do you think? Please let us know. Talk to any Board member (listed on the back of the newsletter), or send an email to Sonia sonia@eugenesaturdaymarket.org and she will collect responses for discussion at our next board meeting. We want to hear from as many people as possible. Thank you!

Maia Bowers, Board Member
and Bird Shirt Artisan in space U1

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. — —

Need Bags? Ask Rudi Rudolf!

Small, zip-close plastic bags from about 1" x 1" to about 4" x 6". Most have a sticker on them. Most suited for storing small items. Take one or all! I hate to throw them out. See Rudi in space #103 or call/text (541)461-2897 to make other plans.

FOR SALE: 2009 Toyota Corola

One 4-door Toyota Corola available for sale. Unique shade of green, great shape about 109,000 miles for \$6,000. For more information call Sharon at (541) 510-8442.

Fresh Eggs from Happy Hens

Fresh eggs, holistically raised by Julia in booth #172. One dozen eggs for \$7.00.

Needing a Booth Buddy for OCF

I am a ceramics artist who is on the hunt for someone to share their OCF booth with me and my ceramic creations. I am currently on the share/waitlist, and would love to share with someone who has a booth. I play well with others, enjoy having fun, and can show previous examples of my work and booth layout from the past two Fairs. Let's chat! — Candice artbycandice@live.com or (541) 514-2865.

Seeking a Booth Share for OCF!

Hi friends! I'm a wildlife painter seeking a booth share for OCF. I'm a professional artist with a local following, flexible with spaces, and lovely to work with! You can check out my work at bekahzeimetz.com. If you'd like to create some fair magic together, contact me at: bekahzeimetz@gmail.com or call/text (641)204-1575. Warmly, Bekah Zeimetz

In Need of an OCF Booth Rep!

MF Wolik Photography (Nature's Reflection) is looking for a booth rep to share the magic with at Oregon Country Fair this year! Is it you? I create reflection portals with Nature and Space. My ideal partner creates something handheld. pls reach out! mfwolik@gmail.com (541)525-2802 ~ mfwolik.com or come see me in my reserve spot #380. Much peace ~ Michael

Weather

Today is expected to be mostly cloudy but warm. The high will be around 74°F and a low of 55°F. Winds are predicted to be 9mph from the West Southwest. There is only a 5% chance of rain and humidity of 56%. Lets hope this nice weather trend continues! Water and sunscreen are still your friends. :)



Sales, O sales, sales I hope!

Ancient Market incantation (Nov 3, 1973)

On the Market Stage

- 10:00 AM **Karl Smiley** - Singer/
Songwriter (Organic Free Range)
11:00 AM **Ron Selfridge**
Singer/Songwriter
12:00 PM **Libracello**
Live Looping Electro-Folk
12:45 PM **THRILL THE**
WORLD EUGENE
1:00 PM **Park Avenue**
Jazz Standards
2:30 PM **Fret Logic** - Variety of R&B,
Blues, with some Pop & Country

Committee Meetings

Orientation and Screenings

Wed., June 5th 3:15 PM - 5:00 PM

- New Member Orientation @ 3:15 PM
- Product Screening @ 4:00 PM

Board of Directors Meeting

Wed., June 5th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

Sustainability Committee Meeting

Wed., June 12th - 4:15 PM - 6:15 PM

Orientation and Screenings

Wed., June 19th 3:15 PM - 5:00 PM

- New Member Orientation @ 3:15 PM
- Product Screening @ 4:00 PM

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

All are welcome!

The Saturday Market

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

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OKAY, KIDS, IT'S PRIDE MONTH!

NOW, RIGHT OFF THE BAT ALLOW ME TO STATE I AM NOT GAY, AND I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO BE ESPECIALLY PROUD OF THAT BEING SAID, I WANT TO ASK A SMALL FAVOR OF THE GALAXY OF GAY FRIENDS I HAVE MADE OVER THE YEARS HERE AT SATURDAY MARKET...

PLEASE, IN YOUR CELEBRATIONS, REMEMBER MATTHEW SHEPARD WHO WAS KILLED IN 1998 BY 2 MEN WHO SAW NOTHING WRONG IN BEATING AND TORTURING A GAY MAN TO DEATH JUST BECAUSE HE WAS GAY. THOSE MEN WERE BROUGHT TO JUSTICE AND IMPRISONED. ASK THE OLDER GAY FOLKS YOU KNOW ABOUT THE STONEWALL TAVERN. KEEP YOUR EYE ON ANY BULLYING, LOCALLY; BULLYING KILLED MATTHEW SHEPARD. BE SAFE AND ENJOY YOUR RAINBOWS!

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