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Saturday Market

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SATURDAY MARKET NEWSLETTER
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From the Office: Enjoy Today & Free Speech

Greetings Artisans!
I am so very excited about this Earth Day Market Event! We have been blessed with another gorgeous forecast, and I hope everyone truly has a fun and prosperous day! The street closures should encompass the Market with a sense of slow safety, an open Market to stroll about carefree unworried about the sounds and dangers of passing traffic.

This collaborative event between the four blocks: Eugene Saturday Market, Lane County Farmers Market, and the Free People's Plaza is another opportunity to strengthen our community ties with one other, as well as our patrons. There are many fun activities planned so please take time and enjoy it! Get customer feedback on the Event and the street closures, I would love to hear some stories.

Now, let's discuss the protests... There are always protests, demonstrations, people exercising their 1st amendment rights in a public space. We deal with this potential every Saturday we are on the Park Blocks, it is nothing new. With tensions on high alert these days, there seems to be a lot more concern and fear around some of these events. My main concern has always been Safety for our Members, patrons, community and organization. Each week is dedicated to communicating and collaborating with various community partners in preparation for a safe space and event. We have safety plans in place, we share information, and our staff and security team is proactive and vigilante. If you ever feel concerned or unsafe, please do not hesitate to call the office (541) 686-8885, email me directly (gm@eugenesaturdaymarket.org), talk to a security team member or talk with your staff.

Pause and feel blessed to be right where you are at this moment- it is a good day,

Thank You,
Shannon Lee-Hutson
General Manager

Credit Card Sales

Saturday Market accepts Visa, Mastercard, Discover, & American Express. Send your customer to the Info Booth with a properly filled out credit card slip.

Your check for the amount of the sale less 6% for bank charges will be MAILED on Wednesday. Call the office if you would like to pick up your check. We will not put Visa checks into Reserve members' envelopes.

Reminder: You cannot charge your customers a fee or increase the cost of your product by a percentage for paying with a credit card. You can offer a cash discount instead.

Sustainability Committee: More than Just a Buzzword

It's no secret that volunteers are the backbone of our Market. Members choose to give their time, input and creativity on committees that get things done behind the scenes to make the Saturday Market magic. While "sustainability" has been a popular buzzword for the last decade, I was surprised to learn that the Market's Sustainability Committee is much older than that. It was started about 30 years ago and has led the way in upholding environmental stewardship as one of our core principles.

In the last year alone, this small-but-mighty group helped get drinking water refill stations on the Park Blocks, led an incredible composting effort, tested a pilot program for durable silverware and plates in the Food Court and achieved a BRING Recycling Certification for the office's sustainability initiatives. And the good work keeps on truckin' in 2025: The durables program will continue thanks to a generous grant from the City of Eugene Waste Management Program (big thanks to Shannon for securing that grant!). We will continue the effort to phase out single-use plastics on the Park Blocks. And this Saturday, April 19th, we'll partner with the City and the Lane County Farmers Market to close the streets to cars to celebrate Earth Day! This event will promote our town's walkability, making it safer for pedestrians and will include fun Earth Day activities for Market patrons.

If you've been thinking about getting active, the Sustainability Committee is a great place to support the Market as a volunteer. We love new people and new ideas! Meetings take place on the second Wednesday of each month from 4:15PM - 5:15PM and are available by Zoom. Please join in to lend your voice to making our Market and our world a little more green.

-Dani Marks-Fife Ito,
Moon Jelly Jewelry

Info Booth Services

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

LOST & FOUND: Please turn in found items to the Info Booth, and tell customers to go to the 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 free period products too.

MAPS & PROMO MATERIALS: Maps of the Market, as well as promotional Saturday Market items like cards, stickers, and posters can be found in the Info Booth. Help spread the word about Market. You can include stickers in your orders, hand out Saturday Market business cards (should you accidentally leave yours at home), and you can even hang a poster in your booth at Market or other events you participate in.

Shutter Switch Giveaway

What's a picture? Worth a lot. Our online Artisan Directory is in need of a little love. Lots of our Members have yet to post any pictures of their wonderful products. To incentivize Members, we're having a giveaway! A Bluetooth remote shutter switch works with your smartphone. All you have to do is go into your listing on the Market's Artisan Directory through your Member Portal. Add pictures, make changes. Check your links. Do something to make it better to enter the drawing.

Send me an email with the word "drawing" in the subject line and I will include you. Or see me at the Market, space #124. The drawing will be Saturday, April 19th at 3:00PM. I have three remote shutter switches to give away. I am hoping for at least a response of three people. There will be additional drawings in the future for other wonderful gifts to help you take better pictures for our online Artisan Directory. Thanks!

-Craig Butler
butlerworks@gmail.com



Envelope Art by: Colleen Brock

Earth Day Celebration!

This week (Saturday, April 19th) the streets will be shut. Unlike last year, there will not be extra booths in the street. But the Sustainability Committee has organized some Earth Day table events.

•There will be a collage scrap table manned by volunteers to create art out of trash!

•As part of our celebration of Earth Day next weekend, we'll be bringing back the seed-planting booth! Last year, participants made paper pots and planted them with donated seeds to bring home to their gardens. Dirt, paper planters, and seeds will be provided.

•This year we will also have a seed-swap. If you have any extras, please bring them next week. Let's share the wealth. Happy Spring!

•There will also be a scavenger hunt for sustainable facts spread out around the Market, and a bingo/scavenger hunt too.

•If you are a member who uses reclaimed items in your work, has a very low Market footprint due to biking, bring your own cup, or are sustainable in any other way, please let Renee (renee@eugenesaturdaymarket.org) or Silver know, so that they can promote the ways that we, at the Market, are helping to make a healthier Earth.

If you want to volunteer to help or want to join our committee please do!

- Julia Garretson & Elise Corin
Sustainability Committee Members



The Market Corner

Wishing a Happy Birthday to all our Taurus friends! Happy birthday to Richard of Fired Up Ceramics, Becca of Firbird Silverworks, Donald of WilBi Designs, Lisa of Vintage Green, Krystal with Stitch In Time Oregon, and Bill of Shining Star Mosaics.

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.

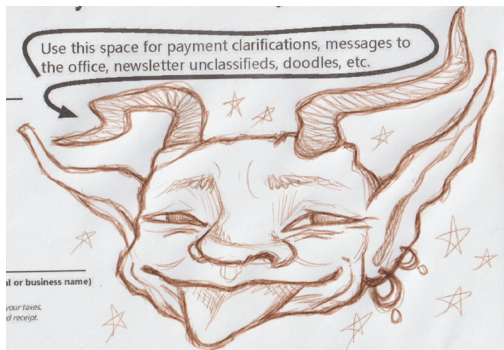
Food Court Specials!

NICE RICE's breakfast special returns! Get an Omelette Breakfast with organic, local eggs from our neighbors at the Lane County Farmers Market. Get yours in booth #F15

Any food booth in our International Food Court or pre-package food booth can advertise specials in the newsletter. Send them to renee@eugenessaturdaymarket.org by 4PM on Wednesdays.

Donations Needed for Giveaway!

Consider donating your work to the Saturday Market Mothers Day Giveaway! Last year we were able to give away over 97 items to the community. If you are interested, please bring your item (or a gift certificate for your business), and your business card, to the Info Booth (or the SM office), BEFORE May 9th. The Giveaway is scheduled this year for Saturday, May 10th. The Giveaway will last all day, and is a great way to connect with customers.



Envelope Art by: Luna Sansone



Saturday Market Social Life!

Follow Saturday Market on our website and social media pages. Share your content by tagging us to get included and reach a new audience!

Linktree: linktr.ee/eugenessaturdaymarket

We're also on Bluesky, Yelp, Cara, Google Business, YouTube, Flickr, & more.



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@eugenessaturdaymarket.org with "NEWSLETTER" in the subject.

Looking for a Booth Share/Carpool
Member interested in sharing a booth, and in need of transportation to and from Market on selling days. Minimal set-up, some jewelry but mostly readings. If you are interested or want more information please call Sharon Appelbaum at (541)238-4400.

FOR SALE: RIKON Oscillating Spindle Sander & DeWalt Single Bevel 12" Compound Miter Saw
Sander in perfect condition with extra sanding cylinders. Approx. 3 years old. \$300. Saw is \$150. Contact Willy Gibboney, Booth #121 or 541.729.4530

Eggs For Sale
Eggs for sale, \$7.00 a dozen. See Julia for Happy Hen Eggs. - Julia Garretson

Greeting Card Display For Sale
I have one table top greeting card display that I don't use anymore. It spins and is fully functional. The display is solid black and have a thing on top to easily add a sign. Is for 5x7 cards and has 12 pockets, \$20.00. See Paz Mendez in Booth #306 if you're interested or have questions.

- Paz Mendez

Tempered Glass for Sale!
Three pieces of tempered glass with beveled edges, not sharp. 3/8" inches thick. 2 each - Rounded rectangle 27" w X 22" h - asking \$35 each, or best offer. 1 each - Rounded rectangle 40" w X 40" h - asking \$75, or best offer. Email for more information or pictures. Email: dahnasolar@gmail.com

- Dahna Solar

Donate to OCF Culture Jam!

OCF is asking for donations to their annual Culture Jam fundraiser. All donations will be included in baskets or in a silent auction held at the annual Spring Fling on May 10th at the WOW Hall from 6-8pm. Raffle tickets are \$10 and all proceeds go to providing scholarships for low-income teens to attend Culture Jam. Please call the OCF office at 541-343-4298 or reach out to Vanessa Roy at vanessa@oregoncountryfair.org or Norma Sax at norma@oregoncountryfair.org if you would like to donate one of your amazing items. We would love to visit your Saturday Market booth to pick up anything you would kindly donate. Thank you for your generosity!

Weather

Today is expected to be cloudy with partial sunshine. There will be approximately 24% chance of rain. The high is expected to be near 66°F, with a low of 39°F. 5 to 10 mph winds are expected from the North Northwest. Humidity will be at 60%. Remember to drink lots of water and to bring some sun protection.



Sales, O sales, sales I hope!

Ancient Market incantation (Nov 3, 1973)

On the Market Stage

10:00 AM - Linda Yapp

Up Lifting Original Folk Music

for the Young at Heart

11:30 AM - The Rob and Brook Show

Folk, Rock

1:00 PM - Hank Shreve and Bill Shreve

Rock, Blues

2:30 PM - David Helfand and the Majestic Ensemble

Original World Music/ Celtic/Middle Eastern & Music Between the Worlds

Committee Meetings

Food Court Committee Meeting
Weds., April 23rd - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

Holiday Market Committee Meeting
Fri., April 25th - 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Orientation and Screenings
Weds., May 7th - 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
- New Member Orientation @ 3:00 PM
- Product Screening @ 4:00 PM

Board of Directors Meeting
Weds., May 7th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

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

All are welcome!

The Saturday Market

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

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