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Saturday Market

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SATURDAY MARKET NEWSLETTER
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From the Office: SM Town Hall Next Week @F.M.P.

Greetings Artisans,
EXTRA EXTRA!!! There is a Saturday Market Membership Town Hall Meeting scheduled. WHEN? Thursday May 22nd, 2025 from 4:30-6:30PM WHERE? The Farmers Market Pavilion and Plaza.

The entire membership is invited to attend; we are working on possibly having a Zoom link for those unable to attend in person (cross your fingers). We could also use some volunteers for set up @ 4PM and clean up after the meeting. Please let the Info Booth or the office know if you are available to help. At the meeting we will have a variety of topics to review: Holiday Market 2025, current budget matters, Board of Director elections, security and safety, and we have a new standing committee to recruit volunteers for! Please attend; we want your feedback, but if you cannot we will provide a summary of the meeting.

We have also contracted Partnered Solutions to refresh our website, Member Portal, database and update our I.T. issues. This will make a huge difference in how the Market will run and streamline our accounting. So, we need volunteers to be a part of the "tech team." Please see Craig Butler (booth #124) for more information, write me a note on your envelope, or contact the office if you feel you have the technical skills to help redesign our website. This is a huge upgrade for the Market and hopefully will help to increase sales and customer traffic at Saturday Market as well as online.

These are exciting times at the Market, let's be the example of cooperation and community!

Shannon Lee-Hutson
General Manager

Submit Your HM Poster Proposal

To be considered for this HM Poster opportunity, you need to submit three things: one proposal sketch, a filled out form, and 5-8 pictures of previously completed works.

Any currently enrolled member, folks that are a part of your single economic unit, and employees of food booths are eligible. Please turn in submissions by May 28th. If selected, you will have until 11:59 PM on August 26, 2025 to complete your work. You will be awarded a free full page on the inside cover of this year's guidebook.

If you have questions about this opportunity, or want to see previous Holiday Market posters please get in touch with Marketing Manager Renee

(renee@eugenessaturdaymarket.org). Hope to see your submissions soon!

M.V.P. Message: Candidates?

Member. Volunteer. Partner.

Blessings Market members!

Soon - In June, we choose from willing candidates, and they need to submit their statement and photo no later than May 21st. You must have also attended a Board meeting in the past year, if you have not attended a meeting this year, but still have an interest in running for the Board, you can attend the next B.O.D. meeting on June 4th. As an enthusiast of strong boards, may I fuel enthusiasm with a list of qualities?

1) Clarity - An ability to hear many opinions and then sort out solutions. With the strength of new ideas brought forward. From listening carefully to the opinions shared, a person with clarity can creatively find and suggest directions to take.

2) Patience - To understand that not everyone fits into a single category. Change will need to be thought through, discussed and calculated to meet the needs of many. Ideally, by being patient improvements can be made without creating new problems to solve.

3) Mediator type / A grounded presence. When representing your voice as a director, you speak for our membership. Sometimes, it is good to not have preconceived viewpoints. To be focused and hold concern for a long term outcome, while greeting each individual issue with deep thinking and an open mind. "Stay calm and carry on."

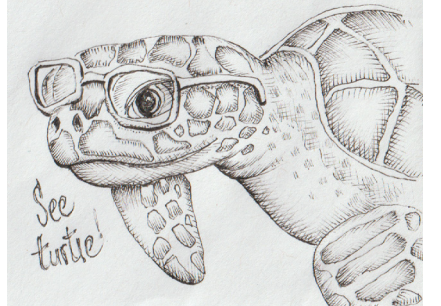
4) A unifier - This aspect is in regard to how groups function. A tendency to become divided usually has a grievance which unites a sub-group. If a person is capable, they can address aired failings while creating a strengthened alliance of the entire group. That happens when each standing member of the B.O.D. is able to hear the concerns of the membership and participate as a director of a unified group. Of course, there is discussion and a diversity of views, but with a common goal to keep our Saturday Market as healthy, whole and welcoming as possible our board can solve problems and find positive direction.

Our change is inevitable. Let it be good changes! I encourage members to consider this as they decide to be a candidate to serve on our Board.

Sincerely,

Katie Swenson, Handfashioned Porcelain

Submit an article for the M.V.P. Message column, please submit it via email to info@eugenessaturdaymarket.org by 12PM on Wednesdays.



Envelope Art by: David Prince

May's Volunteer of the Month: Bekah Ziemetz!

The Board voted in an executive session, held last Wednesday on May 14th, to make Bekah Ziemetz May's Saturday Market Volunteer of the Month

Bekah has been a Saturday Market member since 2018 and has served on the Board as a Board member, Vice-Chair as well as Chair. At Market, Bekah is known for her hyper-realistic oil paintings, and the cards, stickers, and prints she creates from her original works. When not at Market, you would most likely find Bekah in her studio, on a hike, or taking pictures of animals.

Thank you Bekah for all of your hard work, ideas and support.

There's a New Committee on the Blocks: Governance

Announcement: New Committee, new opportunity to give back to the Market community! The Board approved establishing a standing Governance Committee at their recent meeting. The meetings of the Governance Committee will be open to all members. The dates and times of the meetings will be announced in the newsletter and the website calendar once they are determined.

If you are interested in being appointed to serve on this new committee, you are invited to send a letter of interest to the Board. The deadline for submission of letters of interest is May 28, 2025. Please send letters of interest to:

bod@eugenessaturdaymarket.org

Please include pertinent information to help the Board see what you'd bring to the table, such as experience with group process, comfort reading legal documents, listening/writing skills and ability to work well with others. We anticipate monthly meetings (2 hrs plus some reading outside of meetings). Thank you.

Envelope Topics: Flat Fees

As you may know, your envelopes contain a space on the right side for doodles, questions, comments, suggestions and anything else along those lines. This week, we would like to start a new Newsletter section: Envelope Topics!

In this section, we will propose a topic and a perhaps a few details. Members can contribute feedback on their envelope (or send us feedback via email).

For the first topic, we would like to collect your thoughts and feelings on a flat fee increase at Saturday Market. At the last Board meeting on May 7th, the Budget Committee recommended increasing all flat fees at Market by \$5 making an 8x8 go from \$15 to \$20 in cost. How would this affect you? Let us know your thoughts on this week's envelope. Please write legibly, thank you!



The Market Corner

Wishing a Happy Birthday to all our Market friends! Happiest of birthdays to Moon Rainbow the jeweler, Paulette of Ucanrelax, Angela of Knitwits, Daniel of Walling and Sons, and Erick of Erick-Ink.

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.



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/eugenesaturdaymarket

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

Food 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

CANDY COATED BLISS is excited to introduce their new Dubai bars and Dubai strawberry cups (\$15 each). Find these treats in addition to candy coated grapes and more. See the Live Map or Info Booth for booth location

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

Local Events

- May 15 - 16 - Archaeology Channel International Film Festival
- May 17 - Eugene Emeralds vs. Spokane Indians @PK Park
- May 17 - Spencer Creek Grower's Market
- May 17 - 18 - Big Ten Outdoor Track & Field Championships
- May 17 - 18 - Transgressors Opening Weekend @MNCH
- May 18 - Mount Pisgah Wildflower & Music Festival

This list is just a fraction of the fun things happening in our community. See more on event calendars and publications like the Eugene Weekly.

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.

Dreads Got You Down?

Do you have dreadlocks? Want dead locks, or just need some maintenance (or even a dread removal)? Then you should visit Grateful Dread Hair & Make-Up Artistry! Schedule a consultation today by contacting Cherie at (515) 371-4186 or gratefuldreadlockz@gmail.com

O.C.F. Help Needed!

Help wanted for O.C.F. in exchange for camping pass! Dancing Tree is looking for someone strong and reliable to help unload her van on Tuesday July 8th, and help take down and pack up on Monday the 14th. Call or text Diana at (541) 344-9073 Thanks.

Kareng Fund BINGO, 6/1 2-6PM

Art bingo will be held at Garden on Friendly (2760 Friendly St., Eugene, OR). If you are interested in volunteering, donating items, need more info, or want to be involved with this year's event, please reach out to a Kareng Fund Board Member. Helpushelplocalartists. You can also donate directly on the website: www.karengfund.org

River Rd. Studio Apartment for Rent

Small studio apartment opening up July 1st, possibly sooner in the River Rd. area, 7 minute walk to the river bike path. Looking for a mature responsible person with strong communication and interpersonal skills. Single occupancy only, 330 sq feet. Includes own laundry, Costco membership, with a sleeping loft or can be used as storage. Pets considered case by case. Contact Terry to introduce yourself, and write bit about your interests, lifestyle and the work you do. Artists are a plus of course! I'm an artist and member here at the market. Pumice and Stone Soap booth #380. All inclusive rent plus wi-fi: \$830. Please email: castrataro6@yahoo.com
-Terry, Pumice and Stone Soap

4x4 Wooden Booth For Sale

One 4x4 wooden booth available. Funds generated from this sale will be donated to the Kareng Fund thanks to Lenny G. Price is \$50.00. Contact the SM office at (541)686-8885

Eggs For Sale

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

Weather

Today we will see light rain in the morning, with showers continuing in the afternoon. There will be approx. 72% chance of rain. The high is expected to be near 62°F, with a low of 46°F 10-15 mph winds are expected from the West. Humidity will be at 75%. Remember to still drink lots of water and maybe bring a few layers.



Sales, O sales, sales I hope!

Ancient Market incantation (Nov 3, 1973)

On the Market Stage

10:00 AM - Maya Vagner

Acoustic Pop

11:30 AM - Just Clark & Company

Americana

12:30 PM - Veronica Sims

ATS Fusion Belly Dance

1:00 PM - Kapaka

Americana, Folk

2:30 PM - Drive To Space

Progressive Funk Rock, Americana

Committee Meetings

Orientation and Screenings

Weds., May 21st - 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

- New Member Orientation @ 3:00 PM

- Product Screening @ 4:00 PM

Standards Committee Meeting

Weds., May 21st - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

Town Hall Meeting @ Farmers Pavilion

Thurs., May 22nd - 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Food Court Committee Meeting

Weds., May 28th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

Guidebook Team Meeting

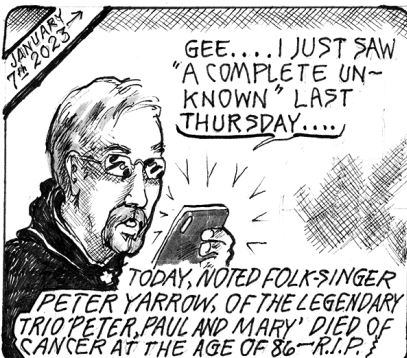
Thurs., May 29th - 4:15 PM - 6:15 PM

Holiday Market Committee Meeting

Fri., May 30th - 11:00 AM - 1:00 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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