



Saturday Market Newsletter

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Today's Highlights:

- * Board of Directors Election Day!
- * Freedom of Speech / Memorial Day
- * Holiday Market Poster Proposal
- * Birthdays, Weather, Unclassified Ads and More on the Back Page!

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- *International Tiara Day*
- *National Escargot Day*
- *Brother's Day*
- *National Scavenger Hunt Day*



Greetings Artisans!

The Protestors from Roseburg were back again last Saturday (5/17/25). They were set up on the Free People's Plaza corner and were rather loud and unruly. We have an information pamphlet at the Info Booth, but we still need a unified strategy.

The dilemma: we cannot interfere with their right of Freedom of Speech. By engaging with them negatively, with a bullhorn, screaming, violence, fart spray, we have made them the victim.

Your Board Chair, Doug Robertson, and I, met with the Eugene Police Department (EPD) this week to discuss how intense the situation has become. EPD are in a difficult situation, as well. They need to protect us, the community AND the Roseburg group. I am sure we can all agree that we cherish our freedoms and would not want to violate another's civil liberties. As distasteful as this group is, they are exercising their right to assemble, protest and engage in free speech.

We need to figure out a way to make coming to the Saturday Market not something they are interested in. When we engage, they win, they are inspired, they believe they are doing something meaningful. I think most of us would argue a different reality, but we can agree that they are bad for our Market, our community, our pocketbooks. We need to get clever and plan a strategy that the whole community can get behind to help us. If you would like to be a part of the Solutions Team, please come to the Info Booth for more information.

- Shannon Lee-Hutson,
General Manager

Tuesdays at the Farmers Market

In March we joined the Farmers Market on Saturdays and the members loved it! We are joining them for Tuesday Markets from May to October. So, if you are interested, please e-mail me at

sonia@eugenesaturdaymarket.org

- Sonia Ostendorf,
Membership Coordinator

Election News

The Board of Directors election is on **June 14**. It was previously published as being on June 7. Last year, the election was on June 8, so you can see how the mistake was made. The correct day is the 2nd Saturday in June, which this year is the 14th.

I have been filling in as Board Secretary since March, when our previous secretary resigned. I apologize for any confusion.

Head Teller Needed: Our head teller (vote counter) has decided to run for the board, so we need a new volunteer. If you want to be considered for this position, please send a letter of interest to the board at bod@eugenesaturdaymarket.org. The deadline is this coming Wed, May 28th. A new head teller will be appointed at the June 4th board meeting.

Six Board Positions Available: Saturday Market's board has 9 members. Elections are held every six months in June and December, for 18-month terms. The terms are staggered, so usually there are 3 positions open each election. We have an unusual situation this election. Five board members resigned, and one board member was removed during February and March; resulting in six of our current board members being appointed. They are filling in for terms that have varying amounts of time left. All appointed board members must run in the election if they want to stay on the board.

For the June 14th election, there are 3 of the regular 18-month terms open. The top 3 candidates will fill those full terms. The 2 people with the next most votes will fill terms that have 12 months left. The person with the 6th most votes will fill a term that has 6 months left.

Absentee Ballots: Beginning May 31st, absentee ballots will be available on request for those who cannot be at Market on election day. Absentee ballots must be received at the market office no later than Friday, June 13.

-Maia Bowers, Secretary

Memorial Day

Memorial Day (originally known as Decoration Day) is a solemn national holiday in the United States for honoring and mourning the U.S. Military personnel who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces.

"Our flag does not fly because the wind moves it. It flies with the last breath of each soldier who died protecting it." — Unknown



In honor of those who have selflessly given and valiantly served our Nation – Thank You!

- V. Gutierrez

Holiday Market Poster Proposal

It is that time again to submit your proposal for the Holiday Market Poster. To be considered for this Holiday Market Poster opportunity, you need to submit three things:

1. Proposal sketch.
2. A filled-out form.
3. 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 2025. 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 Thompson at (renee@eugenesaturdaymarket.org). Hope to see your submissions soon!

- Renee Thompson,
Marketing Manager



Happy Birthday to all who are celebrating their special day this week!

We would like to wish a very Happy Birthday to **Erick Wonderly Varela, Eldridge Baucum, David Brady and Elise Corin.**

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



On the Market Stage

10:00 am – David Rogers
World Classical Guitar

11:30 am – Amor Fati
Indie Pop Rock

1:00 pm – Pearwood Pipers
*Renaissance Song,
Dance & Instrumental*

2:30 pm – Turkey Roost Quartet
Americana



Saturday Market Social Life!

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www.eugenesaturdaymarket.org

Facebook:
[Facebook.com/EugeneSaturdayMarket](https://www.facebook.com/EugeneSaturdayMarket)

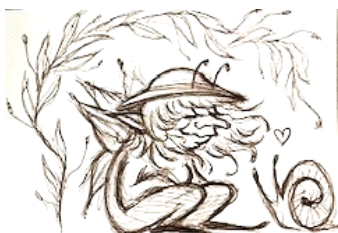
BlueSky: @SaturdayMarket.bsky.social

Instagram: @SaturdayMarket

TikTok: @EugeneSaturdayMarket

We are also on Pinterest, Yelp, TripAdvisor, Google Business, YouTube, Flickr and more.

Member's Cartoons / Doodles



Luna Sansone

Unclassified

To place your free unclassified ad, please bring it to the Info Booth by the end of the day or to the office by Thursday at Noon.

You can also email it to us at: info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org with "Newsletter" in the subject line.

Kareng Fund BINGO – June 1st

Art bingo will be held at Garden on Friendly. The location is 2760 Friendly Street, Eugene, OR. If you are interested in volunteering, donating items, need more information or want to be involved with this year's event, please reach out to a Kareng Fund Board Member.

Help us help local artists. You can donate directly on the website: www.karengfund.org

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 van on Tuesday, July 8th and help take down and pack up on Monday, July 14th. Call or text Diana at (541) 344-9073. Thanks.

4 x 4 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.

Local Events

May 23rd – Asian Night Market, Farmers Market Pavilion, 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm

May 23rd – Halan Rivers, Drop Bear Brewery, 7:00 pm

May 24th – Music Bingo, Local Losers Lounge, 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

May 25th – Coloring Café, Serene Abundance Studio Space, 11:00 am

May 26th – Miles on Memorial, Alton Baker Park, 9:00 am

May 26th – Cribbage Night, ColdFire Brewing, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm



David Prince



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4-Day Forecast

May is the month of sunshine and flowers. Birds in their nests and one or two showers. Games to play and kites to fly or just looking at the sky.

We could spend a year this way, if the year were made of May!

Friday – Partly Cloudy, 65° - 68°

Saturday – Sunny, 72° - 75°

Sunday – Partly Sunny, 68° - 71°

Monday – Partly Cloudy, 66° - 69°



Committee Meetings

Food Court Meeting

Wed, May 28th, 5:15 pm – 7:15 pm

Holiday Market Meeting

Fri, May 30th, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Board of Directors Meeting

Wed, June 4th, 5:15 pm – 7:15 pm

Sustainability Committee Meeting

Wed, June 11th, 4:15 pm – 5:15 pm

Standards Committee Meeting

Wed, June 18th, 5:15 pm – 7:15 pm

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

The Saturday Market Board of Directors and Officers

Chairperson – Doug Robertson
Vice Chairperson – Dani Marks Fife Ito
Treasurer – Kyle Reallon
Secretary – Maia Bowers
Ram Shucart, Shellana Moller, Lisa Todd,
Haven Sundstrom, Sue Theolass

Committee Chairs

Standards Committee Chair:
Candice Westberg / Shellana Moller
Food Court Co-Chairs:
Casey Marks-Fife Ito / Richard Harnsongkram
Holiday Market Committee Co-Chairs:
Dara Robertson / Ray Bafaro
Sustainability Committee Chair:
Julia Garretson

Volunteer Coordinator:
Kevin Levy

Staff

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