

Today's Highlights: September 20th, 2025

- ★ From Sonia: Holiday Market booking points for the week of 9/22-9/16; 10-2
- ★ From the Office:
- ★ Weather, Birthdays, UnClassifieds and more on the back page!
- ★ Happy National Queso Day

Saturday Market

SATURDAY MARKET NEWSLETTER
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From the Office

Greetings Artisans,
I am looking forward to another beautiful day here at the Eugene Saturday Market. It might be wet, but we are Oregonians, so we are undaunted by mere drizzle!

I would like to announce that I will not be here next week and will miss Saturday 9/27/25. I will still check my email gm@eugenesaturdaymarket.org if there is anything that cannot wait until my return on 9/30/25. I will miss you all and would love pictures from that Saturday!

Staff update: We have lost 2 Site crew members, but I hired 2 new people. Ian joined the team last week and Savannah joined us this week. We still have no Assistant Manager nor Marketing Manager. Sonia will be booking points 10-2 next week for Holiday Market (she is killing it!)

Shannon Lee-Hutson

Holiday Market Is Gettin' Real

Holiday Market posters are here! We have them available at the Info Booth. The Postcards will be available this next week and at the Info Booth next Saturday. Please come grab a stack to hand out to your customers to promote the Holiday Market. Holiday Market Packets are still being made for every member who is booked for Holiday Market 2025. We will be distributing them throughout October and November. The Food Booth Selection Committee has received four dynamic applications for the two empty Food Booth spaces available at HM25. They are reviewing the applications and will make a recommendation to the Board on Oct 1st, 2025. My mouth was watering reviewing all four of the applications, so any of the selections will make great additions to our Holiday Food Court.

Saturday Market Expands Stewardship Program

On our little patch of grass, we find ourselves acting as stewards or should be active caretakers for this spinning space rock we inhabit. Eugene Saturday Market (ESM) sustainability program is one way the organization can be proud of stewardship contribution. ESM has launched our new Saturday Market plates! They are light blue and a beautiful expansion to our durable program. So, when you order your lunch at our International Food Court, be sure to ask if they are part of the sustainable plate program. There is a dish return table at the top of the stairs to the east of the stage. Please help us to promote our sustainability program here at Eugene Saturday Market and be sure to thank your favorite Sustainability Committee member(s) for all their hard work!

Sustainability Committee members: Elise Corin, Crystal Rector, Sarah Marie Jones

Market Needs You!

Hello dear Market members. As you know, it takes many hands to make Market possible. We have lots of different tasks here at Saturday Market that need a talented and dedicated volunteer like YOU!

If you're interested in volunteering with something, feel free to email:

info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org or get in contact with our Volunteer Coordinator Kevy Levy of Sun Swirl Designs. We have opportunities available inside and outside of the Committee environment.

■ **Governance Committee** - This newly formed Committee is looking for new members to help review policy, make policy recommendations and more. Send a letter of interest to join to the office (snail mail or email) to be considered. Must be appointed by the Board of Directors.

■ **Living Wage Task Force** - If you are interested in joining this Task Force, please feel free to reach out to the office (snail mail, phone, or email). Economic and community-centered minds are needed.

■ **Guidebook Team** - Interested in graphic design and getting to know members? This group helps bring the Guidebook to life and distribute this resource.

■ **Community Moderators** - We are actively recruiting community moderators for our official Eugene Saturday Market Members private group page on Facebook. Moderators must complete a training before acting as a moderator.

■ **Committees** - All of our Committees and groups are looking for more volunteers. See a full list of our groups in the "Who Helps Make Saturday Market Possible" on our website (www.eugenesaturdaymarket.org) under "Helpful Member Links."

■ **Posters** - Help us distribute posters, rack cards, and stickers throughout our community.

■ **Other Opportunities** - See a list of some more volunteer opportunities in the "Flexible Volunteer Opportunities" on our website (www.eugenesaturdaymarket.org) under "Helpful Member Links."

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 owing, and after 60 days another \$5 fee is added for a total of \$10.

Market Meeting Calendar

All Saturday Market meetings and milestones are on the website. The calendar is updated with the board, committee, and task force meetings. Market meetings are in red. Market days are in green. Deadlines for applications are in dark blue. Take a look: eugenesaturdaymarket.org

From Sonia

Tuesdays and Thursdays with the farmers Market have been a blast!

We are grateful they are making some space for us at the Farmers Market Pavilion on Nov. 8th and 15th as well.

If you are interested in Tuesday Market, Thursday Night Market and/or Saturday Nov. 8th & 15th, you MUST attend the Farmers Market orientation. I will have one October 2nd over zoom. Reach out to the office for the link! The time is undetermined, I will pick a time that works for the most of you attending. It is a super quick meeting (about 20-30 mins). Can't wait to hear from you

Our New Emerging Governance Committee

The Governance Committee met on Thursday evening 9/18/25 and is working on a mission statement to share with us all soon. I attended and was incredibly impressed with our new Committee, they have a heavy task list before them, but the positivity and collaborative nature of the Volunteers was encouraging. Good luck Governance!

Guerrilla Marketing

Silver is out and about taking photos for social media posts and marketing. Silver has had to take on many of the marketing tasks to promote our upcoming Holiday Market while still advertising for Saturday Market. I would like to ask the membership (especially those skilled in social media) to help us by reposting Saturday Market posts, Holiday Market posts, creating your own posts and generating content; a Community Guerrilla Marketing plan (could be fun). Ask Silver if you need more info or tips and tricks. You can also email Silver marketing@eugenesaturdaymarket.org with any questions or ideas.

Info Booth Services

MAKING CHANGE: Members can get up to \$60 in change per Saturday.

FIRST AID: At the Info Booth you can find supplies in case of an injury or emergency, an AED machine, and tissues.

MENSTRUAL SUPPLIES: At the Info Booth you can find menstrual supplies. Free for customers and members alike.

PROMO MATERIALS: At the Info Booth, find this year's poster, stickers, and rackcards as well as business cards. Help us spread the word about our lovely Market!

LOST & FOUND: Please turn in found items to the Info Booth and tell customers to go to there for lost & found. They can also call the office at 541-686-8885. Saturday Market is not responsible for lost or stolen items.



The Market Corner

Wishing a Happy Birthday to all our Market friends! Happiest of birthdays to Terry Cunningham, David Rieckle, Cameron Mitchell, Cade Johnson, Chris Pender, Destiny Barrett, and Hannah Austin

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! Promo materials (posters, rack cards, stickers) are available at the Info Booth & office.

Linktree: linktr.ee/eugenesaturdaymarket

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



The Saturday Market

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Chairperson - Doug Robertson
Vice Chairperson - Dani Marks Fife Ito
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Governance Committee Co-Chairs:
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Staff

General Manager - Shannon Lee-Hutson
Membership Coordinator - Sonia Ostendorf
Marketing Assistant - Silver Lee-Hutson
Office Assistant - Kassie Ryall
Site Ops Supervisor - Dave Welch
Booking Manager - Hadan Rivers

E-mail - info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org
Office/Info Booth Phone - 541-686-8885
Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 10 AM - 4 PM

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.

Volunteer at Market!

As you may have seen in the Weekly Member Newsletter, we are in need of volunteers for many groups and projects. Please reach out if you are interested.

"Looking for a canopy for sale!"

We are interested in an 8x8 foot canopy for sale.

Please contact us

Thank you

Eve (541) 232-5940

SM Office Wishlist

The office is in need of a few things, we are looking for used (but still good) and office supplies (legal paper of any color, binders, etc.). We also need new/unused menstrual supplies for the Info Booth/First Aid kit. Drop off donations to the office or Info Booth.

Bubble Wrap

You got it? I need it! Lisa Kline has banana trees in her yard and needs bubblewrap to help protect the trees from the frost. Please give the bubble wrap to the girl with the bike booth during check in. Thank you. -Lisa Kline

Jars for sale!

I have a few boxes of 12-16 ounce jars that I would like to sell for one dollar per box. Jars are suitable for canning. Linda Williams booth 112 or email lunamoth@efn.org

Local Events

- September 21 - Albany Mushroom Festival
- September 21 - Cozy Craft
- September 22 - 3rd Annual Hop Fest
- September 22 - Monday Night Tivia
- September 23 - Tacos & Tivia
- September 23 - Rooster's Blues Jam
- September 24 - Picnic at the Pavilion
- September 24 - Paint w/ Cats
- September 25 - Cat Bingo Night

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.

Weather

Today we are expecting a warm day. There will be a high of 80°F and a low of 53°F. 9 mph winds are expected. Humidity will be at 66%, and there is only a 0% chance of rain. Remember to drink water, and bring your sun protection (hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, etc.).



On the Market Stage

10:00 AM - Kenn Amdahl

Folk

11:30 AM - Mike & Carleen

McCornack and the Garden Variety Band

Acoustic Folk/Singer-Songwriter

1:00 PM - Thunders Road Trio

Top Forty Cover band

2:30 PM - KT & The Love Notes

Indie, Folk

Committee Meetings

Budget Committee Meeting

- Tues, Sep 23rd - 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Food Court Committee Meeting

- Weds, Sep 24th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

Holiday Market Committee Meeting

- Fri, Sep 26th - 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Board of Directors Meeting

- New Member Orientation @ 3:00 PM

- Product Screening @ 4:00 PM

- Weds, Oct 1st - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

Sustainability Committee Meeting

- Weds, Oct 8th - 4:15 PM - 5:15 PM

Orientation and Screenings

Weds, Oct 15th - 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

- New Member Orientation @ 3:00 PM

- Product Screening @ 4:00 PM

- Standards - 5:15 - 7:15

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

All are welcome!



f- List your personal pronouns
:- who wants to know?



f- it is our policy
:- why?



f- to protect us.
:- Nonsense!



f- How do you IDENTIFY?
:- I prefer "Dark Sith OverLord" - happy now?

