

Today's Highlights: September 6th, 2025

- ★ From Sonia: Holiday Market booking points for the week of 9/5-9/12: 22-15
- ★ From the Office:
- ★ Weather, Birthdays, UnClassifieds and more on the back page!
- ★ Happy National Read a Book Day

Saturday Market

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From the Office

Greetings Artisans,
I am sad to announce that Renee Thompson, our Marketing Manager, is no longer employed by The Saturday Market. She will be missed (I do hope she visits frequently) but she is always a part of our extended Saturday Market Family. If you would like to send a card or some warm wishes, please stop by the Info Booth and we can forward it on to her.

We are still looking for a new site crew member, if you know someone who would be a great dependable teammate, please let them know to come into the office this week to fill out an application.

As always, please be kind to one another and staff, they work their tuchuses off!

Feeling reflective,
Shannon Lee-Hutson

The More The Merrier, Town Hall

Our next Town Hall gathering is this Thursday, September 11th, from 4:30-6:30pm at the Farmer's Market pavilion. Topics to be discussed: ESM financial health, the Governance Committee, and all things bright and merry, Holiday Market 2025. We would love to invite all to come and share their voices, opinions, concerns or hopes regarding our Holiday Market changes, new committee, and our current financial scorecard. It is a more relaxed conversation about the current activities of the Market. I hope to see you there.

Holiday Market Food Booth Opportunity

This Holiday Market we have 2 Food Booth openings. We are currently offering space in the Food Court to our membership for a one-year term only. If you are interested in applying for this opportunity for HM25, please contact the office on Tuesday-Friday from 10-4, or the Info Booth on Saturdays. We will have application packets for you. As we are in a bit of a time crunch to book and prepare for Holiday Market, this will be a quick turnaround, so get your applications in soon..

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. Today ESM is launching 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: Julia Garretson, 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 the Sonia

Does an extra selling day-or-two peak your interest? Try out Tuesday/Thursday Market with the Farmers Market! I will hold another orientation once I have enough interest. Tuesday Market is every Tuesday from 9am-2pm and Thursdays are the third Thursday of every month from 5pm-9pm. I look forward to seeing you at the Pavilion! -Sonia (sonia@eugenesaturdaymarket.org).

Volunteer: Month Of September

Congratulations to our new Volunteer of the Month, Dara Robertson! Dara has been our Holiday Market Co-Chair for 2 years now, investing so very many hours of her time making sure the Holiday Market is a huge success. The reality is that as soon as the Holiday Market debrief in February is concluded, the Holiday Market Committee launches into next season's event before the end of the month. It truly is an all-year-round committee that produces our fabulous event. Dara has a drafting background helping her to create our wonderful new Holiday Market map. Her vision, empathy and tenacity have been such an exemplary representation of Market volunteerism. Thank you, Dara, we salute you

See Something, Say Something

When you are out on the Park Blocks, artisans can always call our office phone number if they see or hear something out-of-place. For example, if you see an abandoned backpack you can call (541)686-8885 and reach someone at the Info Booth. Once you explain the situation we can send over members of our Security Team.

In addition to security concerns, members can also call the office phone on Saturdays for spills or accidents. For example, if you are an artist who makes breakables and a small child has dropped one of your pieces you can call the office phone number at (541)686-8885. Then we can send over a member of our Site-Crew to help you out with a broom and dustpan.

As always you can also visit the Info Booth in-person with concerns, questions, and ideas. We all help look after each other, so please if you see something say something. Thank you!

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 Joe Blakely, Linda Williams, Peggy Rodrigues, Jonathan Ramey, Lisa Kline, Alice Macdonald, Heather Schlueter, Ryan Wolik, Joann McKown, Josh Wojcik, and Willy Gibboney!

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! 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
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General Manager - Shannon Lee-Hutson
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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.

Flags For Sale

"4 Scandinavian flags (for the Scandinavian Festival) for sale (Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden). All four \$30. I also have ribbons included. Booth 108. -Vince LaRochelle

SM Office Wishlist

The office is in need of a few things, we are looking for used (but still good) office chairs 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

Alaskan Sawmill Needed!

I have some huge chunks of Nobel Fir in my yard that needs to be sawed. Please call Julia at (541) 988-3540.

Local Events

- September 7 - Native American Arts & Crafts Market
- September 7- Paint & Sip: Fall Path
- September 8 - Bluegrass Jam & Game Night
- September 8 - Monday Night Trivia
- September 9 - Tuesday Figure Art Sessions
- September 9 - Beginning Lindy Hop-Swing Dancing
- September 10 - Picnic at the Pavilion
- September 10 - Drag Bingo After Dark
- September 11- Thursday Night Jam

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 hot day. There will be a high of 77°F and a low of 56°F. mph winds are expected from the West. Humidity will be at 72%, and there is only a 40% chance of rain. Remember to drink water, and bring your sun protection or even an umbrella (hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, etc.).



On the Market Stage

10:00 AM -Jodie Jean Marston

Folk, Americana

11:30 AM - Seven Devils Road

Americana, Blues

1:00 PM - Still Thinking

Multi Genre, Rock, Pop, Blues

2:30 PM - The Joe Goodwin

Project
Rock

Committee Meetings

Sustainability Committee Meeting

- Weds., Sept 10th - 4:15 PM - 5:15 PM

Orientation and Screenings

Weds., September 17th - 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

- New Member Orientation @ 3:00 PM

- Product Screening @ 4:00 PM

Standards Committee Meeting

- Weds., Sep 17th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

Food Court Committee Meeting

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

Board of Directors Meeting

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

Sustainability Committee Meeting

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

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

All are welcome!

