

Holiday Market

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Holiday Market Newsletter

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Today's Highlights:

- * Opening Weekend!!!
- * BOD Elections
- * New Website Instructions
- * Birthdays, Weather, Unclassified Ads, Info Booth Reminders & More on the Back

November 22nd-23rd, 2025

- *National Adoption Day*
- *National Deviled Egg Day*

From Shannon

Greetings Artisans and welcome to Holiday Market 2025!

I am so excited about this season. Change is a challenge is some degree for everyone whether it is positive or negative change. Leading up to this season we have seen both; however, I could not be more pleased at this year's load in procedure. The new map is so fabulous, and we will be making little tweaks here and there for the next few years until it is fully dialed in.

HUGE BARRELS OF GRATITUDE to our Holiday Market Committee and its fearless leader, Dara Robertson, for the herculean amount of dedication, time and effort to create and manifest our new map! This could not have been accomplished without our fantastic Board of Directors devoting so much hard work to updating policies and procedures that needed major overhauls.

Thank you to the dedicated membership who supported volunteers and staff as we implemented a new way of loading in, a better way of serving our alter-abled, and elder members and all the positivity of the last week. A positive attitude and an abundance of kindness inspires greatness. Thank you all!

Let's have a phenomenal Holiday Season! Shannon Lee-Hutson
General Manager

Elf Game

It's time to take a moment to introduce &/or re-introduce the Elf Game to you. Many are already familiar with this long-running "game" of sorts, some have heard about it & wondered how & what? & quite a few are new to the HM & haven't heard anything yet. Think of the Elf Game as a scavenger hunt for our customers. Elf Hunters get a game card from an Info Booth or Elf Station that includes pictures of the elves along with small clues about each one's environment or hobby...(think "soap maker has an elf that like to blow bubbles") Elf Hunters explore the HM and look at all the booths for the "hidden" elf (most members place the elf somewhere tucked, but visible from the aisle).

When they locate an elf, the hunter writes down the booth number. If an Elf Hunter finds at least 6 Elves, they can collect a prize from one of the Info Booths or Elf Stations. The prizes are stickers, buttons, magnets, & temporary tattoos made from the images on our beautiful HM Poster. If an Elf Hunter wants to find 12 or more elves, they can get a prize & be entered in a drawing to win a Gift Card to spend at HM! Kids young & old (& quite a few adults too), love to participate. The game encourages visitors to explore & discover across the entire market, & brings them near booths they might not have wandered near otherwise. Since some market members are only at HM one of those two weekends, it brings dedicated hunters that want to "find them all", back for another visit for the elves that were missed!

Stock Must Be Removed

Remember that all stock must be removed from your booth by 8pm on Sunday night. If you are selling the next weekend, your booth structure and furniture may stay.

PLEASE, NO DUCT TAPE ON THE FLOOR. If you used duct tape on the floor, please remove and tape with Gaffer's tape, as duct tape will ruin the floors and you will be assessed a damage fee.

Board Election December 13

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 there are 3 positions open each election.

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 5:15. We meet upstairs in the building where our office is. It's not easy to find, so be sure to ask for directions if you haven't been to the office before. You can also attend on Zoom to become eligible, but you will get a much better feel for what it's like if you attend in person. Also, if you let Shannon know ahead of time gm@eugenesaturdaymarket.org you can get the emailed packet of information about the upcoming meeting, which will make it easier for you to follow discussions.

Candidate statements are due to the office by 4:00 on Wednesday, November 26.

Absentee Ballots: Starting on Thanksgiving weekend at Holiday Market, absentee ballots will be available on request for those who will not be at Market on election day.

Absentee ballots must be received at the market office no later than Friday, December 12.

-Maia Bowers

Security:

Our security team is constantly patrolling and keeping us safe. If you never have to interact with them, they are doing a phenomenal job! If you see something, say something. If you witness a crime, call it in and snap a pic, this helps the Security team.

ICE:

Please alert security and/or the office regarding any ICE activity you hear about or see in our vicinity.



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

Amanda Finegold

We would like to wish a very Happy Birthday to
If we forgot your birthday, please let us know! We'll be sure to include it in the following newsletter.

Nov 22nd 2025

Evergreen Market Stage

10:30 am – Ron Selfridge- Folk/Americana

12:0 am – O’Carolans Consort – Harp Music of Ireland,Italy,France

1:30 pm – Bon Bon @ JBELL – Bluegrass, Folk

3:00 pm – The Dubious Rubes, Trio – Classic Americana

4:30 pm - Big Sue Band – Folk, Bluegrass

Holiday Hall Market Stage

10:30 am – Willie McEachern – Singer Songwriter

12:00 pm – Naty “O” “Duo” – Blues, Rock

1:30 pm – Belly Dance Eugene – Dance/World Music/Eclectic

3:00 pm – Epiphonic – Urban Folk

4:30 pm - The Klezmonauts – Klezmer Music

Nov 23rd 2025

Evergreen Market Stage

10:30 am – Apis Mellifera – Neo-Folk

12:00 pm – Olem Alves – Blues, Rock

1:30 pm – Bootleg Rose – Americana, Indie, Folk

3:00 pm – John Badger & The New Old Time Apocalyptic Revival – Americana for the end times

4:30 pm - Boxcar Figaro – Americana

Holiday Hall Market Stage

10:30 am – Chip Cohen – Eclectic Fiddle

12:00 pm – Robin Greene Jacobs Duo – Folk

1:30 pm – The New Folksters – Folk

3:00 pm – BongoLatte – Afro-Cuban Jazz

4:30 pm - Goatmouth – Rock, Jam Band

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.

Touch the Earth (Cathy and Bill) prayer flags will be available by donation; all donations go to the Kareng Fund. Booth 68 until Christmas Eve. -Sue Theolass.

SM Office Wishlist

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

Roof cleaning and Moss removal

Morris is offering roof cleaning moss removal and even Gutter cleaning and tree pruning. Call Morris for a free estimate (541) 513-2887

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

Info Booth Services

During Event Days only, Member Services can process payments, provide change, gift certificates, and many other services. During load in or out, member services will not be able to provide payment services.

Please read your packets, ask questions if you don’t understand something, and give grace when grace is needed, and it is always needed!

Site Crew:

We have a light crew this season, so please get to know your site crew and let them know they are doing a great job! If you have a favorite team member, let them know they rock!

2-Day Forecast

Saturday – High of 50 ° F low of 35 ° F Humidity will be at 80%, and there’s a 10% chance of rain

Sunday – High of 47 ° F low of 38 ° F Humidity will be at 90%, and there’s a 70% chance of rain

Committee Meetings

Budget Committee Meeting

Tues, Nov 25th, 4:00 pm – 6:00 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
Secretary - Could Be You
Treasurer – Kyle Reallon
BOD - Maia Bowers, Ram Shucart, Haven Sundstrom, Sue Theolass, Amanda Finegold, Catherine Heising

Committee Chairs

Standards Committee Chair:
Shellana Moller

Food Court Co-Chairs:
Casey Marks-Fife Ito / Richard Harnsongkram

Holiday Market Committee Co-Chairs:
Dara Robertson / Ray Bafaro
Governance- Haven Sundstrom Amanda Finegold

Sustainability Committee Chair:
Crystal Rector

Volunteer Coordinator:
Anna Lawrence

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