

Saturday Market

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Saturday Market Newsletter

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Today's Highlights:

* Town Hall

* BOD Election

* Committee invites

* Weather, Unclassified Ads, Info Booth

Reminders & More on the Back

From the Office

Greetings Artisans,

Welcome to May! What a beautiful day to celebrate another Saturday on the Park Blocks! Couple of Announcements:

- "Call to Artist" Holiday Market Poster/ Guidebook submission form is at the Info Booth today! If you would like to be the next Poster Artist, pop by and pick up the form! We have had a few years of amazing poster art from our ESM Artists, are you our next featured artist? Please apply today, submission day is May 29th, 2026.
- Next Saturday, May 9th, is our Mother's Day Giveaway Event. Silver will be collecting donations and business cards today, or you may drop off donations at the Info Booth. Thank you for cherishing our Mothers!
- Tuesday Market starts May 5th, contact Sonia if you haven't been approved yet.
- Elections: If you want to run, submit your candidate statement by May 27th. You must have attended a Board meeting within the year, if you have not, please join us at the May 6th meeting.

April Stats: Craft Members average

10% \$25.42, median 10% \$20.00.

The Food Court average 10% for April

was \$123.84

Enjoy this glorious May-Day,

Shannon Lee-Hutson, Your General Manager

Let's get together & discuss money

We will be having a Town Hall on Thursday, May 14th, 2026, at 4:30-6:30 pm. Let's get together and talk about it. Topics will include finances, fees and our future. We will be meeting at the grower's market on Willamette.

Board Election June 13th

It's time to consider running for the board again! 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, due to one resignation.

Anyone who runs for the board has to attend at least one board meeting in the previous 12 months to be eligible. There is one more opportunity on May 6. Meetings are held on 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, May 27.

Absentee Ballots: Starting on May 30, absentee ballots will be available on request, at the info booth or the office, for those who will not be at Market on election day. Absentee ballots must be received at the market office no later than Friday, June 12.

-Maia Bowers

Holiday market committee

The Holiday Market Committee is seeking new members. If you are interested in joining, please call the office.

*Must be jolly and enjoy milk and cookies

You are Invited

The Standards Committee is revising the "Scent" Guidelines for the Market Standards and Craft Specific Guidelines. This has been a hotly debated topic, and we need to address it and give our best to create a proper policy. Scent allergies are a safety concern in our Market, and we need to protect one another. We need to also equally balance the Members whose products involve scent to be able to sell their products fairly AND safely. Therefore, the Standards Committee invites you to weigh in regarding scented products, Topics will include:

- Packaging
- Display/ Samples
- Backstock containers
- Curing time
- Natural scents/ oils vs synthetic or manufactured scents
- Education

The Standards Committee meets every third Wednesday of the month at the Office from 5:15pm-7:15pm. Next meeting is May 20th, 2026. See you there!

Mother's Day Giveaway

Mother's Day is approaching, and we will be hosting our giveaway on May 9th. We are inviting vendors to contribute a gift for the giveaway if they wish to do so. This giveaway is designed to assist those who may need help with last-minute gifts, or for children who want to get something special for their moms but currently lack the means. I will be walking around with a box or basket, so if you have a donation, please wave me down or bring it to the information booth.



Music

10am - Chip Cohen, Eclectic Fiddle
11:30am - Linda Danielson and Janet Naylor – Celtic Harp & Fiddle.
1pm - Olem Alves, Duo – Blues, Rock
2:30pm – The Klezmonauts, Klezmer music

Saturday Market Social Life!

Follow us, like our page and stay connected. Eugene Saturday Market
Webpage:
www.eugenesaturdaymarket.org
Facebook:
[Facebook.com/EugeneSaturdayMarket](https://www.facebook.com/EugeneSaturdayMarket)
Instagram: @SaturdayMarket
We are also on Pinterest, Yelp, TripAdvisor, Google Business, YouTube, Flickr and more.

November?

Halloween Market, October 31st has been proposed as the final outdoor market of the year due to numerous reasons.

1. November outdoor markets tend to lose money due to high costs and minimal vendor participation, making it financially unviable.
2. Establishing Halloween Market as the last event simplifies advertising and additionally,
3. staff and vendors would benefit from extra time to prepare for the Holiday Market.

There are selling opportunity's with LCFM. Feedback can be shared with board members or via email.

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.

Roommate wanted

\$600 plus \$50 electric monthly. Large shop space large garden 5 acres 17 minutes from SM ranch style house 3bedroom 1 bath contact Gordon both # 355 phone 541 503 8331

Booth Sitter Needed

Willy Gibboney needs a booth sitter for May 30th, from 11-1:30.

Bod Secretary needed

The board is still looking for a secretary if you're interested, please check the info booth for the job description.

Office

The office could use your gently used binders, office supplies, and/or postage (postage should NOT be used...lol).

Job Opportunities

We are also looking to hire a part-time office assistant. If interested, please contact the office. Send resumes to gm@eugenesaturdaymarket.org.

Site Crew

There are new Site Crew members! If you see someone you do not recognize, ask their name and introduce yourself!

Weather

Today we are expecting a Warm day. There will be a high of 68 ° F and a low of 50 ° F. 6 mph winds are expected. Humidity will be at 76%, and there's a 20% chance of rain.



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

We would like to wish a very Happy Birthday to Conrad Hodson, Carol Nelson, David Winship, Michelle Rabideau, Pam O'Connor, Mark Hazelton, Michael White Horse, Alma DiVita, Danielle Marks Fife Ito, Harmony Sutton.

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

The Saturday Market Board of Directors and Officers

Chairperson – Doug Robertson
Vice Chairperson – Haven Sundstrom
Secretary - Could Be You
Treasurer – David Winship
BOD – Doug Robertson, Ram Shucart, Haven Sundstrom, Sue Theolass, Amanda Finegold, Catherine Heising, Tika Thomas, Ben Maude

Committee Chairs

Budget Committee Chair: David Winship
Food Court Committee Co-Chairs: Haven Sundstrom/TBD
Governance Committee Co-Chairs: Nome May / Amanda Finegold
Holiday Market Committee Co-Chairs: TBD
Standards Committee Chair: Tika Thomas. Ram Shucart
Sustainability Committee Chair: Crystal Rector
Volunteer Coordinator/Hand: Anna Lawrence

Staff

General Manager – Shannon Lee-Hutson
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