

Saturday Market

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Saturday Market Newsletter

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Today's Highlights:

* HM, Dates and more

*Saturday Market is a safe space

* Weather, Unclassified Ads, Info Booth

Reminders & More on the Back

From the Office

Greetings Artisans,

Welcome to August, welcome to the Fall season... We have been blessed by another beautiful day at Eugene Saturday Market (ESM).

Couple of new things:

*Holiday Market posters and postcards are in! Come and get some to distribute and to share. (see Info Booth, or come into the office)

*Our last date on the Park Blocks is Saturday November 7th, 2026.

Saturday, November 14th there is no Saturday Market. If you are interested in selling with the Farmers on that day, please make prior arrangements with Sonia. Holiday Market begins on Saturday November 21st, 2026.

*Website: we are entering the last phase of website development and hope to sort out the bugs that remain.

*Our new Assistant Manager, Matthew Boudreau, is opening this morning with Sonia and Anne to learn our opening procedures. He has mastered closing and did a great job keeping the office from burning down during my time off last week. If you see him walking about, please say hello and tell him your superhuman power, or party trick if you have one. I know he will be a great addition to the team.

Lastly, the city of Eugene will be hosting the Halloween Downtown city-wide event on Saturday October 24th 2026 (eugene-or.gov/halloweendowntown). The ESM will be participating as a Trick or Treat station, part of the parade route, and more. Please let the office know if you will be a treat station.

Thinking that 2 Halloween celebrations in one year is just too fantastic, Shannon Lee-Hutson, the Scariest GM

Tribute to Jo Ann Siner

Today, next to the Info Booth, we will be hosting a memorial booth in remembrance and tribute to Jo Ann Siner. There are some photos, keepsakes to look at and some of Jo Ann's products for sale. All proceeds will be split between the Kareng Fund and the Saturday Market. Jo Ann's family would love it if you wrote a special memory of Jo Ann or condolences in her Memory Book.

Saturday Market Is a Safe Space

Saturday Market has always been built around community. We want everyone who comes here, whether they are a vendor, staff member, performer, or guest, to feel welcome, respected, and safe.

That means comments about someone's body, appearance, sexuality, or gender are not appropriate when they are unwanted. Neither are sexual jokes, suggestive remarks, repeated flirting, or advances that make someone uncomfortable. This includes verbal remarks, texts, emails, social media messages, and other communications, whether they happen at the Market or outside of it.

It does not matter whether something was intended as a joke or a compliment. If the attention is unwanted, it needs to stop.

We have heard from vendors who no longer feel comfortable vending with us because of comments and messages from other members. Some have chosen not to return. That should concern all of us. Nobody should have to tolerate sexual remarks or unwanted attention simply to participate in the Market.

This is not about changing the character of Saturday Market. It is about protecting the community we have created together. A culture of sexual harassment is not welcome here. Concerns will be taken seriously, and when inappropriate behavior is reported, it will be addressed.

-Matthew

Holiday Market is creeping up!

For non-Booth Holders, your deadline to turn in your application and deposit is **August 14th**. If you're late, you will go to the bottom of my list regardless of points. **Reminder booth spaces are only booked over the phone you only have two hours to respond.**

If you have never sold at Holiday Market, **you MUST attend the Holiday Market orientation**. Your products are already approved if they have been seen by Standards already. If you have never attended the Holiday Market, there is a good chance your orientation will be after the deadline. Since you don't have any points in your first year, you do not need to worry about it, just make sure you do an orientation ASAP!

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November Closing Quick Update

Hello Member's I have had several members ask me if the Market is closing the Park Blocks season on Halloween. We are not. The 2026 Saturday Market Park Blocks season's last Market is November 7th. The Holiday Market first day is November 21st. There is one weekend between the close of the Saturday Market on the Park Blocks and the first day of the Holiday Market.

The Board is just starting to discuss the idea of the final day of the Saturday Market Park Blocks season be the City's Saturday Halloween celebration at the end of October starting in 2027. It will be an ongoing conversation over the next several months that the Board invites members to participate in. Please attend a board meeting if possible. The Board meetings are the first Wednesday of each month at 5:15pm. Contact the office for more information. The next meeting is August 5th.

Thank you, Douglas Robertson Board Member

Music

10am - Linda Yapp Up Lifting Original Folk Music for the Young at Heart
11:30am - John Shipe & Patrick Kavaney – Americana
1pm - Niki Leeman, And Friends – Folk
2:30pm Dennis Smith and the Hillbilly Fools – Original Folk/Rock/Americana

Promote your business with a featured image

We're excited to offer you a new opportunity to help your business stand out on the Eugene Saturday Market website!

You can now add a **featured image** to your individual vendor page. This image is a great way to showcase your products, your booth, or your brand, helping customers discover and connect with your business before they visit the market.

To participate, simply add your featured image to your member listing by clicking **Add image** and uploading a high-quality image. Featured images should be 1200 x 628 pixels or better for the best results.

We'll update your vendor page as submissions are received. There is no cost to participate. Sharing images helps highlight the amazing variety of businesses that make Saturday Market so special.

~ Matthew

Weather

There will be a high of 78°F low of 61°F. 7 mph winds. Humidity 82%, and a 7% chance of rain. Remember to drink water, and bring your sun protection (hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, etc.).

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

Estate Sale for Jo Ann Siner

The estate sale is going to be August Thursday the 13th 14th and 15th from 9:00 to 3:00. There will be a sign up sheet at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday only. Wilma accepts cash venmo and CC with fee 3%.

New Apartment or room needed

Gypsy and her husband are looking for a new place to call home right now, they come with two indoor/outdoor cats! If you interested or know a place, please contacts her at 831-566-5341 or email at gypsyberks@yahoo.com

Member In Need

Michelle Malinoski of Dragonfly Crystal Creations has been in and out of the hospital dealing with complications of her recent surgery. Another member has been helping her by allowing Michelle to recover at her home. Michelle's situation has put her in a precarious predicament. Please help Michelle if you can. Angel donation cards are available at the Info Booth.

Local events

Eugene Emeralds game Day event
Pop up Market 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Olive and 5th.
Axé Samba Festival 11:00 AM to 5:00
Pagan Harvest Celebration 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM



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

Mary Flowerday, Michele Hernage, Debbie Tilley, Jenna Geldreich, Paige Burns, Genevieve Mullins, Grace Thornock, Sonia Ostendorf

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

Committee Meetings

Sustainability Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 4th 11:00 – 1:00pm

Budget Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 4-4:00 – 6:00pm

Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, August 5th 5:15 – 7:15pm

Sustainability Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 11th 4:15 – 5:15pm

Food Court Committee Meeting
Wednesday, August 12th 5:15 – 7:15pm

The Saturday Market Board of Directors and Officers

Chairperson – Doug Robertson
Vice Chairperson – Haven Sundstrom

Secretary – Logan Flores
Treasurer – Could be you
BOD – Doug Robertson, Haven Sundstrom, Ram Shucart, Amanda Finegold, Catherine Heising, Tika Thomas, Ben Maude, Luna Topaz, Chris White

Committee Chairs

Budget Committee Interim Chair: Julia Garretson

Food Court Committee Co-Chairs: Haven Sundstrom / Ban Esse

Governance Committee Co-Chairs: Nome May / Amanda Finegold
Holiday Market Committee Co-Chairs: Luna Topaz / Suzanne Cherrier

Standards Committee Co-Chair: Tika Thomas / Ram Shucart

Sustainability Committee Co-Chair: Crystal Rector / Julia Garretson

General Manager – Shannon Lee-Hutson
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