

Saturday Market

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Today's Highlights: October 10th, 2026

★ Bright Parade Float

★ Ojisan Ramen looking for artists

★ Holiday Market bookings this coming week: 0 points

From the Office

Greetings Artisans,

This October weather is a mystery to me (she whispered), but I am grateful. Thinking a lot about gratitude as we enter the Holiday Season; in the chaotic race to our events, it is important to stop – breathe – take the time to reflect and allow that wonderful feeling of gratitude to wash over you.

Well, with 2 Halloweens looming on the horizon I would like to clear up a small matter regarding “trick or treat” treats. The Board heard a pressing member concern from Kimberly Gladen regarding the treats she wanted to give out to the children at Market during the October Board meeting (10/7/26). They agreed with Kimberly and ruled that Members may choose what they give out as a treat when participating in the Trick or Treating this year. To be clear, if you want to give out small toys instead of (or with) candy to children, you may. Thank you, Kimberly.

Getting Spooky,

Shannon Lee-Hutson, your General Manager

BRIGHT Parade

I am still thinking about this year's BRIGHT Parade. It sure has grown in just two years since I was driving an e-trike down Broadway towing a well-lit giant slug head! I was so very honored to be a judge this year, so I was extremely attentive to each entry. It was all so fabulous, and the afterparty is something wild and fantastical!

I introduced the idea of forming a task force to create and build a Saturday Market Float to enter the BRIGHT Parade. The Board approved. If you want to build a float, drop us an email info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org

– Shannon

Local Events

- Ducks vs UCLA Bruins - All Day
- Art Rescue Sale- 10-5
- Coburg Scarecrow Festival - all day

From Sonia

At this point you should have gotten a space at Holiday Market AND a confirmation E-mail! If you have not gotten both of those things. E-mail me sonia@eugenesaturdaymarket.org) so we can confirm your Holiday Market spaces this season.

Your confirmation E-mail will have a subject line of either “Holiday Market Confirmation E-mail” or “Holiday Market Reserve Member Confirmation”

– Sonia

Market Wide Sale

The Market-Wide Sale day is set for October 31st, marking the end of the season with fantastic sales. This event presents a great opportunity to boost sales, and it might also be the perfect chance to clear up any products you've created that you no longer wish to produce. If you have leftover items with no clear purpose, consider offering them in sample sizes for a sample sale. The Market-Wide Sale is a versatile option for anyone looking to declutter their inventory before the Holiday Market. Give it a shot!

Please send me any sales you want promoted on social media, you can send it to marketing@eugenesaturdaymarket.org

– Silver

Vendor Listing forms

Great news! We've updated the Vendor Listing forms to help shoppers find more of what you make, both on our website and through web search. The new fields make it easier to add clear information about your products, specialties, location, shop links, and the individual items you most want people to find.

Listing edits are also now accessible from mobile phones, so you can update your listing while you're out on the Park Blocks, in the workshop, or anywhere you're away from your computer. Take a few minutes to freshen up your Vendor Listing and give shoppers more ways to discover your work.

– Matthew

Ojisan Ramen is looking for local artists

Ojisan Ramen is actively seeking talented local artists to collaborate on creative projects including graphic design, advertising, and beyond.

Ojisans wants to work with you rather than rely on AI. If you're interested on contacting them to work out a deal, please send an email to marketing@eugenesaturdaymarket.org stating you're interested and we will get the information passed on. You can also go in person to 150 W Broadway. Ojisan Ramen is one of the few Queer bars we have left in Eugene and they are excited to work with you.

Halloween Downtown a City-Wide Fright Fest: October 24th

TRICK OR TREAT! If you would like to participate in being a “treat” station, please let us know, we have a candy corn placard for your booth.

Halloween Downtown is on Saturday October 24th, 2026. The City will be closing the streets. You will still be able to load in as usual but must park your vehicle elsewhere before 10am. Vehicles will be allowed to load out at 4pm. If you are Alter-Abled you may be dropped off/ picked up by the Info Booth. We do have some designated Alter-Abled parking along South Park if needed.

Volunteer of the Month

The Volunteer for the Month of October is Ban Esse! Ban and her husband Johnny Jean-Louis from the Bold Flavor have been serving us delicious Haitian BBQ for years now... Ban is currently the Food Court Committee Co-Chair and absolutely killing it! Thank you Ban, for your dedication, clarity and positive momentum! You deserve a standing O (ovation)!

Committee Corner

Holiday Market Committee has made the HM survey questions! This survey will be in our guidebook around lane events and in advertisements so make sure to tell your customers to fill it out at Holiday Market.

On the Market Stage

10:00 AM – Jason Ford
Acoustic, Folk

11:30 AM – ROOTDOWN
Rock/Reggae

1:00 PM – Baroque Betty
Orchestral Folk

2:00 PM – Willy D, Light
Reggae

Dish Return Stations

Please remind your customers of the 2 Dish Return Stations to return the ESM durables: plates, forks AND baskets. We are finding that people like to take the baskets home and throw away plates/forks. They also try to return the durables to the Food Booth, by putting dirty dishes on their counters or in their clean fork bucket. The 2 return stations are located across from the pod near the Stage and along the side of Sara's Tamales Food Booth along 8th Street. Please help us train our community to keep our Sustainability program healthy.

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.

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.

Astrology Group

Women's Astrology Group, biweekly, where we discuss and learn astrology. Some astrology understanding is helpful. Call/text Lisa DiLuna 458-292-8375. Sliding scale.

Sale

FOR SALE: Four booth weights (10 lb each/9 inches) \$20; Nine metal easel/display racks (various sizes)...ideal for artwork, prints, cards, etc. All fold flat...largest is 18 in. \$25 for all; Two Spandex tablecloths for 2 X 4ft table (stretches to ground level so covers storage stuff). \$12 for both. Also available many small, unfinished wooden boxes and paper gift bags (various sizes). Questions/photos/more info: Cliff (541) 337-2440 or cliffbmart@yahoo.com

Kittens need a home

Looking for a new home for four female kittens. They are ready to go, and were born the 1st of July. For more information please message (541) 221-6918 or go to Sassy Dragons booth.

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.

Happy Birthday!

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

Patti White, Lisa Ponder, Nealon Hager, Jenni Babcock, Thomas Seybold, Joshua Foster, Ethan Hull, Sophia Cromartie

And sorry we missed you Nelly Jimenez!

Committee Meetings

Sustainability Committee Meeting
Tuesday, October 13: 4:15 – 5:15pm

Food Court Committee Meeting
Wednesday, October 14: 5:15 – 7:15pm

Standards Committee Meeting
Wednesday, October 21: 5:15 – 7:15pm

Town Hall
Thursday, October 22: 4:30 – 6:30pm

Governance Committee Meeting
Thursday, October 29: 5:30 – 7:30pm

Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, November 4: 5:15 – 7:15pm

The Saturday Market

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Chairperson – Doug Robertson
Vice Chairperson – Haven Sundstrom
Secretary – Logan Flores
Treasurer – Diana Barkelew
BOD – Doug Robertson, Haven Sundstrom, Ram Shucart, Amanda Finegold, Catherine Heising, Tika Thomas, Ben Maude, Luna Topaz, Chris White

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

Governance Committee Co-Chairs:
Nome May / Amanda Finegold

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Luna Topaz / Suzanne Cherrier

Standards Committee Co-Chair:
Tika Thomas / Ram Shucart

Sustainability Committee Co-Chair:
Crystal Rector / Julia Garretson

Staff

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