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Merchant Market at Columbus Oktoberfest September 6-8, 2024 Columbus, OH Ohio Expo Center (Ohio State Fairgrounds, 717 E. 17th Ave)

We cordially invite you to participate in the **Merchant Market** where small businesses and service vendors will have the opportunity to showcase their products and services during this year's Columbus Oktoberfest. The **Merchant Market** will be one of the many attractions as this longstanding Oktoberfest tradition makes its mark on Central Ohio attracting an estimated attendance of 30,000+ people. The Oktoberfest festivities are primarily held in and around 100-year-old historic covered pavilions. Exhibitors will be situated undercover within this beautiful authentic setting providing a great opportunity you won't want to miss!

- ◆ **Entry Procedures:** Application must be submitted with 3-4 photos of your work (*write name on back of all photos*) and **one of your overall booth display** (*showing full booth with draped table covers going all the way to the ground*). Returning exhibitors do not need to submit photos unless your product(s) or display has changed, however, your application is still required. Photos will not be returned unless requested with your SASE. Submitted photos may be used for advertising unless exhibitor indicates otherwise. Exhibitors selling retail items must provide a valid Ohio vendor's or transient vendor's license number.
- ◆ **Fee Information:** Booth fee paid by check (*preferred*) with application, or within 48 hrs of acceptance using online platforms Venmo or PayPal. Checks may not be deposited until accepted into show. Checks will not be processed if placed on a wait list or unaccepted. Cancellation fees apply. A \$35 fee will be charged for returned checks. *A \$15 late fee applies if application is postmarked or received by email after 8/13/24.*
- ◆ **Acceptance:** Exhibitors will be screened based on product and professionalism of overall display. Huff's Promotions reserves the right to accept or reject products at any time, and to change spaces or show lay-out to benefit the overall production of the show or to prevent competition or congestion.
- ◆ **Application Status Notification will be sent by Email along with online Payment Platform links, if not paying by check.**
- ◆ **Display:** Displays must be neat, tidy and professional. Tables must be draped all the way to the ground on all 4 sides with cloth table covers. Tents not permitted. Exhibitors agree to man their booth during all show hours; absolutely no early dismantling. Tables available for an additional charge (table covers & chairs not included). Basic overhead lighting provided at no charge.
- ◆ **Set-Up Information:** Additional set-up information & guidelines will be emailed closer to show date. By submitting a signed application, exhibitor agrees that all those working your booth will follow all show guidelines provided prior to and during the show.
- ◆ **Advertising:** Comprehensive advertising campaign for Oktoberfest includes television, radio, print, web, flyers & more.
- ◆ **Misc:** 1) The Oktoberfest will also include an Art & Craft Market designated for handmade art and craft items. Different pricing applies and crafters and artisans may contact us for booth fee information and application. 2) Larger Business/Commercial vendor booth space available thru sponsorship only; for Sponsorship information, please contact us.

Show Details

- Easy move-in/move-out - *drive close to your space*
- Close on-site vendor parking
- Each booth provided with 110v electric, pipe & drape
- Overnight security
- One (1) parking pass for 3 days (*per application*)

Booth Fee: (Booth size is 10'x14')

- \$270/space - Small Business (direct sales items or retail items not handmade by signed exhibitor)
- \$500/space - Service/Non-Retail Exhibitors

Lg Commercial booth space available through Sponsorship – Contact us for a Sponsorship Opportunities Package

1st Application Review Date: April 23 - (**after 4/23, applications are still accepted until show is full**)
- Application status will be sent by email.

Payment Due: By check with application (*preferred*), or online by Venmo or PayPal no later than 48 hrs after accepted by email. (*Pay links included in email acceptance.*)

Cancel Fee: \$50 if cancelled before August 6; full booth fee if cancel August 6 or after

Market Hours*: Fri, Sept 6 5pm-10pm
Sat, Sept 7 12pm-10pm
Sun, Sept 8 12pm-8pm

Exhibitor Set-Up Hrs: Thur, Sept 5 5pm-8pm
Fri, Sept 6 10am-5pm

Oktoberfest Festival Hours*: Fri, Sept 6 5pm-12am
Sat, Sept 7 12pm-12am
Sun, Sept 8 12pm-8pm

Merchant Market
Presented by:



For additional information please contact Huff's Promotions at
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► **Merchant Market Exhibitor Complete:**

Small Business Exhibitor (retail items):

Single Booth Size 10' x 14' (140 sq. ft.): _____ \$270

Service/Non-retail items Exhibitor:

Single Booth Size 10' x 10' (100 sq. ft.): _____ \$500

Corner Booth (Based on Availability): _____ + \$30

- **Submit a Separate Check**, if not available it won't be cashed

Late fee if postmarked/emailed after 8/13/24: _____ + \$15

I need _____ 8' tables* at \$10/each \$ _____

*Tables only – Exhibitor provides own table covers and chairs.

TOTAL: \$ _____

Application - Columbus Oktoberfest

Application Checklist: (May be submitted by mail or e-mail.)

- ☐ Completed and Signed Application
- ☐ Full booth fee, check payable to, Huff's Promotions, LLC
- ☐ 2-3 photos of product and 1 photo of overall booth display
- ☐ SASE – Self Addressed Stamped #10 Envelope – If not accepted, checks will only be returned if SASE is received.

Mail to: Huff's Promotions

P.O. Box 256, Bolivar, OH 44612

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September 6, 7 & 8, 2024

Name _____ Past Exhibitor with Huff's? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Business Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____ Zip _____ Website _____

Phone (____) _____ Cell (____) _____ E-Mail _____

* _____ (✓) I understand my table covers must be cloth and cover all four sides of each table all the way to the ground.

_____ (✓) I understand & will comply that my display must be open and manned during show hours.

Category: Product or Service Promoted _____ (ie, candles, type of service, etc)

Detailed Description (be specific, list all products to be sold or services to be promoted) _____

Briefly explain display items to be used - (# of tables, size of signage, display fixtures with height & width, etc.) - Tents not permitted:

If display is higher than 4 ft high, please indicate approx. total height: _____ ft. RV Parking: _____ yes _____ no

Exhibitors may set-up on Thursday or Friday. Vehicles must be off staging area by 3pm on Friday. Please indicate when we may expect you: ☐ I will see you on Thursday between 5pm-8pm or ☐ I will see you on Friday from 10am-3pm or ☐ undecided

Ohio Vendor or Transient Vendor License ID Number _____ A Transient Vendor License is required if vendors do not have a permanent place of business in Franklin County. You may obtain a form at www.state.oh.us/tax or contact the Ohio Dept of Taxation with questions at 800-282-1782. If you must obtain a number you may wait until you learn if you are accepted into the show; just write "pending" above.

Payment: ☐ **Check is Enclosed (Preferred)** - or - ☐ I will pay by Online Pay Platform (Venmo or Paypal) within 48 hrs of acceptance and understand a convenience fee will apply. Payment links will be emailed once confirmed into the show and MUST be paid within 48 hrs; otherwise, your space is subject to being sold – Watch for your acceptance email.

► Add a \$15 late fee for any application postmarked or submitted by email after August 13, 2024.

The undersigned does hereby discharge, release, hold harmless, Huff's Promotions, LLC, Kelly S. Locker, the Ohio Expo Center, Schmidt's Sausage Haus, show staff and all Event Co-Sponsors from any and all manner of action, suits, damages, or claims whatsoever arising from any loss or damages or claims, to the person or property of the undersigned, or to those working in and representing your booth, while in possession or under the supervision of the sponsors during the Festival, and hereby consents to enforcement of all rules of this event. Exhibitor agrees to display and leave products at their own risk. There will be no refunds for inclement weather. Exhibitor gives permission for photos to be used for the purpose of advertising and marketing the event. Exhibitor agrees to conduct themselves in a professional manner as outlined in the Code of Conduct guidelines, at all times. I agree to have my display open all show hours and to not dismantle early. I also accept all rules listed, as well as all additional guidelines, rules and regulations set forth by Huff's Promotions, LLC, Schmidt's Sausage Haus and the Ohio Expo Center provided to me in writing or verbally regarding show; failure to comply may result in expulsion from event. Management reserves the right to remove any exhibitor not complying with the Code of Conduct guidelines.

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature attests that signor/exhibitor has read the above indemnity clause and agrees to the terms contained herein.

Please make a copy or snap a picture for your records - Printed 1/15/24, information subject to change.

Office Use Only:

Acceptance _____

Date Pay Recv'd: _____

Check #/CC: _____

Amt. Recv'd: _____