

2023 South Lansing Mid-Winter Market Policies

I. EVENT

South Lansing Mid-Winter Art/Craft Farmers Markets:

Saturday, **February 4**, and Saturday, **March 4**, **2023**, from 10am-2pm, in the gymnasium at the Alfreda Schmidt Southside Community Center, 5815 Wise Rd., Lansing MI

II. BOOTH INFO

- A. Fee Structure (you may sign up for both markets in one application)
 - February app approved and payment received by January 13, 2023 **\$25.00** Payment received after January 13, 2023 - **\$35.00**
 - March app approved and payment received by February 10, 2023 **\$25.00** Payment received after February 10, 2023 - **\$35.00**
- B. Booth fee covers one 10' x 8' space. Vendor provides table and chair.
- C. Vendors can rent a table and chair for \$15 per event, while supplies last.
- D. Access to electricity is available for \$5 per event.
- E. Vendor placements are prioritized based on prior vendor status, paid submission date, and electrical needs.

III. ATTENDANCE/CANCELLATION

- A. Only pre-approved, prepaid vendors may attend. Drop-in vendors are not permitted.
- B. Paid fees for approved vendors are not reimbursed for no-shows or cancellations.

VI. MID-WINTER MARKET DAY RULES & LOGISTICS

- A. Vendors may check-in as early as 7:30am, but no later than 9:00am. Barring extreme circumstances, if you haven't checked in by 9:00am, your space may be forfeited.
- B. A limited number of hand trucks and flatbed carts are available. If you have these, it's best to bring your own.
- C. All items (tables, chairs, merchandise, supplies) must be at your booth by 9:30am.
- D. After unloading, vendors must park away from the entrance to allow space for shoppers.
- E. This event draws up to 1,000 visitors each year. Customers will be lined up before the market opens at 10am. Be ready for them.
- F. Vendors may not tear down their space until the market closes at 2pm.
- G. Vendors requesting electrical access must provide their own power cords.
- H. Vendors are responsible for keeping their booth space clean: remove and properly dispose of all boxes, trash, and food waste.
- I. Vendors may not sublease their space without prior written consent.
- J. Vendors are responsible for processing their own credit card transactions. Wi-Fi may be weak or unavailable. Be prepared to use your phone's data or set up a hotspot.

VII. PRODUCTS

- A. All merchandise must be produced by an individual's own creative effort and sold by the maker or representative thereof. Direct sale, wholesale and resale products are not permitted.
- B. Vendors may only sell items or services listed on their application. Anything not previously disclosed must be approved in writing prior to selling at the market.
- C. Prices must be clearly displayed for all products.
- D. <u>Cottage food products</u> (baked items, jams, etc.) must be individually labeled with the vendor's name, physical address where items were prepared, product name, a complete list of ingredients (with highlighted food allergens), net weight or net volume (including metric equivalent), and the Cottage Food disclaimer (see below).

VIII. PROMOTION

- A. South Lansing CDA will promote the Mid-Winter Market via email updates, posters, published and online community calendars, neighborhood newsletters, church bulletins, social media, and word-of-mouth.
- B. We ask that vendors on Facebook "like" the South Lansing Farmers Market page so we can tag your pages and cross promote. We know our vendors have loyal fans who follow them, and we should all do our part to cast a wide net to attract customers.
- C. Vendors are encouraged to display signage promoting unique aspects of their wares.

IX. LICENSES AND INSURANCE

- A. Vendors are expected to know and comply with all applicable city, state, and federal health regulations and certification requirements related to the products they sell.
- B. Each vendor must submit to the Event Coordinator a valid copy of all licenses and permits required to comply with Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development (MDARD) Rules and Regulations.
- C. Food products exempt from licensure under the Cottage Food Law must be labeled with the following: "Processed in a facility not inspected by the Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development."
- D. Vendors are highly encouraged to obtain their own insurance against all liabilities.

X. RAFFLE

- A. Vendors are asked to donate one item offered at their booth for the raffle.
- B. Winners are posted every quarter hour and do not need to be present to win.
- C. Vendors receive a raffle entry for each item donated.
- D. Event proceeds benefit South Lansing CDA's nonprofit programs.

XI. COMMUNITY CONSIDERATIONS

- A. South Lansing CDA values the diversity of our vendors and community.
- B. We expect everyone will be treated with dignity and respect. Discrimination of any kind will not be tolerated.
- C. Applicable local, state, and federal laws must be followed at all times.
- D. Smoking is strictly prohibited within the community center and surrounding area.

In the application, vendors must attest to their understanding and willingness to comply with these policies. If you have any questions, please email <u>market@southlansing.org</u>.