



Georgia Apple Festival
October 14/15 & 21/22, 2023
Arts & Crafts Exhibitor Application
Deadline: March 31, 2023

For office use only:		
Accept _____	Decline _____	Booth # _____
Amount Paid _____	Type _____	
Receipt Date _____	Ck # _____	
Conf./Receipt #: _____		

Applicant Name _____

Business Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ Email _____

Business phone _____ Cell phone _____

Are you a returning vendor? _____ How many years have you participated? _____ List most recent year _____

The cost per booth space is \$450 for both weekends and \$250 for a single weekend.

Electricity is an additional \$10 per space, per weekend.

Electric fee will be applied to all spaces assigned to vendor. Electricity is only available inside or in the Open Pavilion.

Weekend(s) Desired: October 14/15 October 21/22

Preferred Location: Outside (15x15) Pavilion (12x12) Inside (7x10)

Of Booths: _____ **Electricity:** Yes No

Booth Cost: # of Booths _____ x \$450 for both weekends OR \$250 for single weekend = \$ _____

Electricity Fee: # of Booths _____ x \$10 x # of weekends = \$ _____

TOTAL DUE \$ _____

Payment Information: Payment in full required with application after January 1st.
If paying by check or money order: Mail to Georgia Apple Festival, PO Box 1225, Ellijay, GA 30540

Name on card _____

Credit card number: _____ **Expiration date:** _____

Security code _____ (digits on back of card) **Billing Zip code** _____

*** Processing fees apply to credit card payments.**

A signed application certifies that you understand, accept, and agree to abide by all rules, regulations, & procedures stated throughout the Georgia Apple Festival application package. I certify that the photos submitted accurately depict applicant's materials and that the materials are the sole work of the applicant. Additionally, I agree to release, hold harmless and indemnify the Apple Festival Board, the Ellijay Lion's Club, Gilmer County Chamber of Commerce, the Ellijay Lion's Club Charities Inc., the Ellijay Apple Fest Inc, d/b/a Georgia Apple Festival from any responsibility, personal liability, loss or damage in connection with the festival.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Signature required on both sides/pages to be deemed completed

Exhibitor Art or Craft Description

List two juried festivals, other than the Georgia Apple Festival, in which you have participated in the last 24 months.

1. _____ 2. _____

Describe in detail the art/craft to be exhibited.

Refer to the category list below. Exhibitors may only show and sell work from the category in which they have been accepted. Any items of work not listed on the application, not acceptable, and /or not created by the exhibitor may be removed from your booth and jeopardize future participation in show.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Accessories (hair bows, scarves, handbags, hats) | <input type="checkbox"/> Games/Toys |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Artwork (drawings, paintings, mixed media) | <input type="checkbox"/> Glass (Blown, cut, fused, mosaic, stained) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Artists Prints & Unlimited Reproductions | <input type="checkbox"/> Herbal (soaps, potpourris, oils) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bath (soap, lotions, personal care items) | <input type="checkbox"/> Jewelry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Candles | <input type="checkbox"/> Leather (accessories, bags, clothing, belts) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clay (ceramic, pottery, porcelain) | <input type="checkbox"/> Metal (forged, punched, sculpture) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clothing, adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Miscellaneous |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clothing, children | <input type="checkbox"/> Musical |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dolls (fabric, fiber, porcelain, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Paper (calligraphy, scrapbooking, books) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fabric (sewing, quilting, crochet, knitting, weaving,
Cross stitch, needlepoint) | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Floral (arranged, dried, live, silk, wreathes) | <input type="checkbox"/> Plants |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food Gifts (prepackaged including jams, jellies, and sauces) | <input type="checkbox"/> Primitive |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food Mixes (require additional preparation for consumption) | <input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Furniture- Finished (painted/stained lawn and garden) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood- Finished (painted, stained
household, lawn & garden, signs) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Furniture- Unfinished | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood- Unfinished |

Additional comments (if necessary)

Signature _____ Date _____

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Georgia Apple Festival Rules & Regulations

Important Dates

March 31- Application Deadline. Returning vendors will not be given same space considerations if received after this date. While efforts will be made to keep returning vendors in their previous spaces, past space placement is not guaranteed.

Early April- The Georgia Apple Festival Jury meets to select festival participants. The jury is composed of a panel of experienced artist, show producers, and former crafters. Selection is based on quality and skill in workmanship; original, creative, and relevant ideas; attractiveness of display, and the number of applicants in each category. Past participation does not guarantee your approval.

Late April/Early May- All applicants are notified by EMAIL of acceptance or non-acceptance to the show. The decisions of the Jury are final, status WILL NOT be discussed over the phone or via email. Those who were not accepted into the show will receive a refund via the method of their original payment- processed separately from notification.

August 4- Any withdrawal from the festival must be done in writing before August 4, 2023, for a full refund. No refunds will be given after August 4. Emails are acceptable and should be sent to events@gilmerchamber.com

Application and Processing Procedures

1. A complete application for jury's consideration must include:
 - a. A fully complete application with signature on both sides/pages.
 - b. Payment in full.
 - c. **All required photos as defined below for new AND RETURNING VENDORS**
3. Photo requirements are as follows:
 - a. All photographs must be clear and high resolution.
 - b. (3) close up photos of art/craft
 - c. (1) photo of booth setup
 - d. (2) photos of artist in workshop or in production of art/craft.
4. All photos become the property of the Georgia Apple Festival and will not be returned. They may be used for festival promotional purposes.
5. ***A cancelled check does not signify acceptance. Payments will not be deposited until Jury decisions are final and acceptance notices are sent in late April/ early May. Notification of charge or deposit will not be given. Please plan accordingly.***

PRODUCT

1. ***All items sold must be handcrafted, handmade or grown personally by the exhibitor!***
2. Items/Categories that are **NOT PERMITTED**: Resale of wholesale items, manufactured and imported items, multi-level marketing (MLM) items, obscene items, offensive imagery, or items portraying illegal drug use. Failure to meet these requirements will result in immediate dismissal without refund.
3. Exhibitors may only show and sell work from the category in which they have been accepted. Any items of work not listed in the application, and/or not created by the exhibitor must be removed from the show. Management will prohibit the installation and operation of any exhibits not meeting its approval.
4. All articles and displays must be in good taste with no reference to race, ethnic, gender, sexual, or religious prejudice.

BOOTH DISPLAY & SET-UP

1. The applicant must be present for check-in and sign the waiver of liability.
2. Check-in and set-up will be the Thursday and Friday before the festival from 9:00 a.m. -6:00 p.m. and on Saturdays, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. Security will be provided for the evenings of the 14th, 15th, 21st, and 22nd

with the understanding that the Georgia Apple Festival, Ellijay Lions Club, and/or Gilmer County Chamber of Commerce is not and will not be responsible in any way for loss or damage to participant's property. Exhibitors are responsible for their personal and property liability.

3. Vendors participating in both weekends WILL NOT have access to their booth the week in between the shows.
4. Exhibitors must furnish their own display tables, skirting, chairs, extension cords, tents, etc. All displays must be designed, constructed, and operated in good taste.
5. All displays, transactions, signage, and activities must be confined to exhibitor's assigned space. Signs, tents, canopies or any other part or display may not extend over or into walkways.
6. "Discount, marked down, reduced" type signs are NOT permitted.
7. Booths may not be sublet or shared with another exhibitor or artist.
8. All booths must be set up and manned by 8:30a.m. on each morning of the show.
9. All vehicles must be removed from the fairgrounds by 8:00a.m. each morning. NO vehicles are allowed on the fairgrounds during show hours. All vehicles should be parked in designated vendor parking.
10. Only official Apple Festival motorized carts and emergency vehicles will be allowed within the fairgrounds during show hours.
11. If you must restock from your trailer or vehicle during festival hours, please be prepared to do so yourself.
12. No booths will be allowed to breakdown prior to the close of business at 5:00p.m. on Sunday.

ADDITIONAL FESTIVAL RULES

1. NO PETS are allowed on the fairgrounds with the exception of identifiable service dogs.
2. Smoking, alcoholic beverages, firearms, and controlled substances are prohibited on the fairgrounds. Any violation will result in immediate removal from the premises.
3. No political rallies, speeches, campaign hand bills, or political solicitations of any kind are allowed on the fairgrounds, both inside and outside the fenced areas.
4. Gas powered generators are strictly prohibited.
5. Georgia state/County Sales tax of 7% MUST BE charged on all sales. Exhibitors are solely responsible for collecting, reporting, and paying all taxes collected to the Georgia Department of Revenue, Compliance Division. Forms are included in your packet, upon check-in.
6. **All Food items including mixes and pre-packaged food items will be required to provide certificate of insurance listing Ellijay Apple Fest Inc. as an additional insured. More information on insurance will be provided upon acceptance.**
7. Electricity is a paid amenity and is limited to those who specifically need it to demonstrate their craft, food production or other necessary functions.
8. Disruptive, rude, or disrespectful behavior toward other vendors, volunteers, patrons, or merchants will not be tolerated. Management reserves the right to remove or ban any person(s) who are not in compliance with the festival rules and regulations.
9. A signed application constitutes a contract to follow all rules and regulations. It is a contract to participate, personally, if accepted. Any exhibitor not abiding by these rules set by the Apple Festival Board will forfeit their privilege to participate in the current and future shows.
10. Motorhome and Recreational Vehicle (RV) parking is extremely limited and not guaranteed. All parking will be designated to the back of the festival parking lot and spaces will be marked. All Motorhome and RVs must register intent with the Georgia Apple Festival. Once space has been approved, the vendor will be notified. If all available spaces have been filled, no additional parking will be permitted. There are no hookups for Motorhome or RVs on the property. Georgia Apple Festival does not own the parking lot property and is not liable to any loss or damages to the vehicles or property within. If property owners or police officials request that you vacate, move, or relocate the vendor must obey.

GEORGIA APPLE FESTIVAL IS A RAIN OR SHINE EVENT!

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