

36TH AVON ROTARY CORN FESTIVAL Saturday August 10, 2024 **Arts & Crafts Vendor Guide**

Dear Arts & Crafts Vendor:

The Avon Rotary Corn Festival is returning for 2024 and we'd like to invite you to participate!

The Corn Festival is a one-day event with emphasis on Arts & Crafts vendors. It will be held from 10 A.M. to 6 P.M. on Genesee Street in downtown Avon, NY. There is no entrance fee for the public. In addition to 150+ Arts & Crafts vendor spaces, we also have a Food Court, a Wine & Beer Garden, a Kids Zone and two entertainment stages with live performances throughout the day. The Festival concludes with a popular party band concert in the evening (<u>The Skycoasters</u>). If our long history is any indication, the Festival will draw many thousands of visitors, and they're coming for you!

Online registration ONLY! We no longer send or accept paper registrations. You can find the registration link in the <u>Arts &</u> <u>Crafts vendors section on our Corn Festival website</u> (www.avoncornfest.com/vendors). It's a simple Google Form. Once you submit, you will be entered into our registration database, and you will receive a confirmation email. That email will also tell you your payment due and it will provide a link to securely pay online.

Attention all vendors whose merchandise is strictly handcrafted (i.e., no kits) and their own work:

To qualify as a handcrafter, you must provide your website with pictures of your merchandise for us to examine. Our **EXCLUSIVE HANDCRAFT AREA** is located in the more central location farther south on Genesee St. We currently have 40 spaces set aside in this location. They are spaces 132 through 155 and 226 through 244. The street is narrower, which makes foot traffic denser and it is shadier. Check it out on our online <u>Festival Map</u> (www.avoncornfest.com/attractions).

The Kids Zone is located in spaces 12 through 16.

Electricity is available in spaces 1-11 and 17-37; bring your own cords. NO GENERATORS ON SITE, please.

Returning Vendors: Once again, we are offering a \$20.00 credit towards next year's Festival if you bring a "Never Before" Arts & Crafts vendor to our Festival. We have room! Please indicate who it is on your Registration Form or email us.

Vendors of branded merchandise (e.g., Tupperware): we are unfortunately not able to guarantee exclusive registrations. If you wish exclusivity, please consult your regional coordinator or check our <u>online list of registered vendors</u> (www.avoncornfest.com/vendors). If another vendor of that merchandise has already registered, please contact them. To make that work, you are required to mention your brand(s) in your merchandise description during registration.

Back again this year, by popular demand: **CORNER SPACES!** They are the same size as regular spaces, but you get two sides exposed to visitors instead of one. They are located typically next to a driveway, intersection or access path. You can check the <u>Festival Map on our website</u> (www.avoncornfest.com/attractions) to see which spaces are corner spaces. (Note: at most, one corner space per vendor.) Note also that corner spaces are in high demand. If you register closer to the Festival date, we may not be able to accommodate your request for a corner space. In that case, we will refund you the additional payment.

The next page provides some important facts that are relevant to your registration as an Arts & Crafts vendor.

PLEASE SAVE THIS DOCUMENT FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

REGISTRATION ONLINE PAYMENT ONLY! NO REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 7!

- EARLY Payment due by **Saturday, June 8**. Fee is **\$60** per 10 ft. by 10 ft. space (plus **\$30** for corner premium space). Spaces allocated in 2023 reserved for repeat vendors.
- REGULAR Payment due by **Saturday, July 27**. Fee is **\$80** per 10 ft. by 10 ft. space (plus **\$40** for corner premium space, if available). Spaces allocated in 2023 reserved for repeat vendors.
- LATE Payment due by **Wednesday, August 7**. Fee is **\$100** per 10 ft. by 10 ft. space (plus **\$50** for corner premium space, if available). Spaces allocated in 2023 reserved for repeat vendors.
- NONPROFITSWe offer nonprofit organizations a 50% discount. Please indicate your 501(c)(3) EIN on your registration.
NOTE: nonprofit organizations may offer raffles for prizes or products or request donations, but no
50/50 or other lottery with a cash prize.
- **CONFIRMATION** We will confirm your registration by email as soon as it is processed.
- **CANCELLATION** Please send your written cancellation notice by US Mail (PO Box 1, Avon, NY 14414) or by email to <u>cornfest@avonrotary.org</u>. Cancellation by phone is not possible.

Cancellation by early deadline (June 8): full refund (minus any card fees).

Cancellation by **regular deadline** (July 27): full credit (minus any card fees) towards next year's Corn Festival.

Cancellation **after regular deadline** or no-show at the Festival: **NO** refunds or credits.

- NOTICE & (1) This communitywide event is intended to provide entertainment to visitors of all ages. As such, it is our policy to prohibit vendors from displaying any merchandise or wares which graphically depict vulgar language or illegal acts or any other products which could create an immediate nuisance or harm to other festivalgoers, including explosive devices, knives, air guns, BB guns and other weapons or projectiles. Avon Rotary reserves the right to inspect all vendor booths on the day of the festival to ensure that they comply with this requirement and to order any modifications to vendor displays in furtherance hereof. Failure to comply may result in removal from the festival.
 - (2) The Avon Rotary Club is not affiliated with any religious or political organizations, and the views expressed or products sold by vendors at the Corn Festival are not endorsed by the Avon Rotary Club. The Avon Rotary Club welcomes vendors of various backgrounds, including religious and political organizations, and does not discriminate against vendors based on their beliefs.
 - (3) Due to FDA permit restrictions and agreements with food court vendors, Arts & Crafts vendors are NOT permitted to sell food or drinks. Packaged foods for home consumption are acceptable.
 - (4) We strongly suggest bringing weights to weigh down the corners of your tents in the event of high winds or other inclement weather. The Avon Rotary Club does not provide weights.

CHECK-IN Between 6:30 A.M. and 9:00 A.M., Saturday, August 10, at the north end of Genesee Street (near the circle). Vehicles must be removed from the Festival grounds by 9:30 A.M. A dedicated parking area is provided for vendors. Handicap-accessible shuttle service is provided.

CHECK-OUT Vehicles will NOT be allowed back onto the Festival grounds until 6:00 P.M.

For more information, visit our website (<u>www.avoncornfest.com</u>), email us at <u>cornfest@avonrotary.org</u> or call us at 585-746-8315. We invite you to join our mailing list by emailing a request to <u>avon-rotary-cornfest-craft-</u> <u>vendors+subscribe@googlegroups.com</u>.