



City of Mt. Pleasant - Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market
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2024 FARMERS' MARKET BUSKER APPLICATION

Performer/Group Name		Contact Name	
E-mail		Website/Facebook	
Mailing Address (Street, Apt., P. O. Box)		City	State Zip Code
Home Telephone	Work Telephone	Cell	
Emergency Contact Name		Telephone	

2024 Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market Busking Guidelines

Our Mission: *Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market is a vibrant marketplace connecting residents and visitors with local farmers, food producers and artisans, increasing access to fresh, affordable, local and healthy food choices, inspiring healthy lifestyles, strengthening our local economy, providing a festive gathering place, and enriching lives and building community.*

Performances and demonstrations are recognized as significant contributions to the festive atmosphere of Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market. Examples of entertainment for our busker program include: fitness demonstrations, storytelling and poetry reading, musical groups, percussion and vocal musicians, clowns, jugglers, and magicians. If you have another talent we haven't listed, which you would like to demonstrate through our busker program, we're open to new ideas!

Buskers are required to complete a busker application for consideration, be approved, and coordinate a date to perform with Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market. Buskers may not show up and perform without coordinating with Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market staff. Those who apply will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Selections are made at the discretion of Market Management based on availability, appropriateness and interest to customers.

Buskers must be a positive addition to the market atmosphere and not adversely affect market operations or any vendor's ability to do business. Performances should always be appropriate for a family based audience. At all times, performers must conduct themselves in a manner that is courteous to other entertainers, vendors, market shoppers and market staff. Groups/performers deemed to be louder than acceptable for the shopping area in which the market is located will be asked to adjust the volume or discontinue the performance.

Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market reserves the right to restrict the number of busker performances to promote diversity of performances. The majority of visitors typically shop Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market between the hours of 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. As such, performances are often hosted between 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., though they may be shorter or longer, as it works for the busker.

Performance location is assigned and may be subject to change without notice. Market Management will supply buskers with a market canopy when space is not available under the pavilion. Tables or chairs are the responsibility of the busker. Buskers are responsible for the set-up and take-down of their own equipment. Parking is available outside of the market area. There is limited access to electricity so electrical needs must be discussed in advance.

Buskers are not paid nor are they charged a vendor (booth) fee; buskers are compensated by tips and exposure during market hours. Buskers may put out a hat or case to collect tips but they may not verbally ask the public for money. Performers may sell CDs, tapes or promotional t-shirts related to the performance as long as a copy of all licenses/permits applicable to the sale of these product(s) is provided and approved in advance. It is the responsibility of the busker to report all income, including tips, to the state tax commission.

Buskers are required to comply with the market's rules and regulations. Failure to do so may result with the termination of performance as well as jeopardize future partnership with Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market.

Description of your act (style of music, instruments to be played or performance):

- Request use of electricity.
- I will provide all applicable licenses/permits related to the sale of the following promotional items:

Please list the full names of those who will be performing with and/or assisting you during the market.

1.	3.
2.	4.

At what other markets do you perform?

Please select the dates you request to participate in the Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market. Upon approval Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market will confirm market performance dates.

Island Parks Farmers' Market – Thursdays, 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

May	June	July	August	September	October
2	6	4	1	5	3
9	13	11	8	12	10
16	20	18	15	19	17
23	27	25	22	26	24
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City Hall Farmers' Market – Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

June	July	August	September	October
	6	3	7	5
	13	10	14	12
22	20	17	21	
29	27	24	28	
		31		

I, _____, the busker understand the guidelines listed in the application and give my consent to adhere to all conditions listed. I release Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market/City of Mt. Pleasant, as well as any of its assignees and employees, from any liability for injury or damage incurred at the time of Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market. I grant permission for Mt. Pleasant Farmers' Market to use any photos, video, etc. taken of my products or me in any and all publicity and advertising promoting the Market.

Signature

Date