

Spring Arts Festival
Ocean Springs Chamber of Commerce - Main Street - Tourism Bureau
1000 Washington Ave.
Ocean Springs, MS 39564
www.oceanspringschamber.com/springartsfestival

2023 Application

Thirtieth Annual



The Ocean Springs Chamber of Commerce-
Main Street-Tourism Bureau is pleased to
present the 30th Annual Spring Arts
Festival: Herb, Garden & Art on March 25 &
26, 2023 in downtown Ocean Springs,
Mississippi.

Downtown
Ocean Springs, Mississippi

Saturday, March 25, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 26, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Artists and growers will participate
featuring pieces in various media including
paintings, pottery, jewelry, plants, and
herbs. Festival activities include artist
demonstrations, live entertainment,
engaging seminars, and more.

Local shops, restaurants, and galleries join
the Ocean Springs Chamber of Commerce in
making this an outstanding festival.

Herb of the Year: Ginger Zingiber



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BOOTH SPACES

Artists, crafters, gardeners, and food vendors must confine themselves to a 10' x 10' space or must buy a second booth (this is strictly enforced). There will be a wide selection of vendors and limited food exhibitors. Limited electricity is available for vendors (two outlets, 10 amps max).

FESTIVAL FEES

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| Jury Fee..... | \$25.00 |
| Art or Gardening Booth..... | \$125.00 |
| Food or Drink Booth..... | \$150.00 |
| Electricity Fee..... | \$25.00 |

The fees apply to all applicants. If your application is not accepted, only the booth fee will be refunded. An accepted application is a commitment to the festival and no refund will be made for cancellations (no exceptions). No fee will be refunded due to inclement weather. Subletting of booth is not allowed.

*At the request of our accountant, all checks must be deposited in a timely manner, however, this does not indicate your acceptance.

SELECTION

The committee for the Springs Art Festival selects vendors to reflect the highest levels of creativity, quality, and originality. Selection for artists, gardeners and chefs is made on the basis of **three recent photographs** that best represent their products and style. **Two photographs must showcase the applicant's works, products or dishes. One photograph must be of the applicant's booth.** Due to capacity limit of the festival, it is critical that the photographs be of good quality. Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you would like your photographs returned. Photographs of selected vendors will be retained for publicity until after the festival.

STANDARDS

- Under no circumstances will stand-in or proxy vendors be permitted. Only the gardeners or artists accompanying his or her original work may participate in the Spring Arts Festival.
- Vendors are required to man their exhibits during festival hours.
- Commercially manufactured items are not acceptable. **All items must be home-grown or hand-crafted by the applicant. Vendors displaying any manufactured items will be asked to remove them. No T-shirts permitted.**
- Vendors bear the responsibility for all set up and security needs for their exhibits. Neither the Ocean Springs Chamber of Commerce, or its representatives, are responsible for the loss or damage of any kind.
- Vendors must provide their own display booths, racks, tables, and chairs. They must also be prepared for the possibility of inclement weather conditions such as wind or rain. **NO STAKES ALLOWED.**
- No space can be shared. Vendors can purchase more than one 10' x 10' booth space. A "multi-person" team producing a single product may qualify as a single vendor.
- No on-site gas powered generators are allowed. No amplified music permitted.
- This is a family-oriented festival for spectators of all ages. Work exhibited must keep in mind of this atmosphere. The festival has the right to remove work that is deemed inappropriate.
- NONCOMPLIANCE WITH FESTIVAL STANDARDS & RULES MAY RESULT IN ELIMINATION FROM THIS YEAR'S AND FUTURE FESTIVALS WITHOUT REFUND OF ANY FEES.**
- As required by MS State Tax Commission, sales tax of 7% (an additional 2% for food & beverages) must be collected and turned into the Ocean Springs Chamber of Commerce Office by 6 p.m. Sunday. All checks must be made out to the Ocean Springs Chamber of Commerce. No exceptions. Vendors will not be accepted next year, if sales tax is not paid.

2023 VENDOR APPLICATION

Name: _____
 Business Name: _____
 Description of Product: _____

 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone Number: _____
 Email: _____
 Price Range of your work \$ _____
 I plan to demonstrate my work during the festival:
 () Yes () No
 Years in Festival: _____
 Special Requests: _____

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- _____ Number of art/garden booths at \$125 each (10X10) - REQUIRED
- _____ Number of food booths at \$150 each (10X10) - LIMITED AVAILABILITY
- _____ \$25 Application Fee (separate checks) - REQUIRED
- _____ \$25 Non-Refundable Late Fee (After Feb. 3)
- _____ \$25 Electricity - Depot Area Only LIMITED AVAILABILITY
- _____ **TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED. Checks to be made out to: Ocean Springs Chamber of Commerce**
- _____ **Also to be included: 2 photos of work and 1 of booth or APPLICATION WILL BE REJECTED.**

Applicant's Signature: _____
 Date: _____
 Your signature affirms that you have read and understood the aforementioned conditions and standards of the 30th Spring Arts Festival and agree to abide by these regulations. **NO REFUNDS OR RAINDATE!**

OFFICIAL USE ONLY:

Date Received: _____
 Accepted _____ Denied: _____
 Letter Sent: _____
 Electricity: _____
 Paid Check Number & Amount: _____
 Cash: _____
 Notes: _____