

Boyne City Farmers Market

Guidelines for Crafts

2010

Specific criteria for crafts to be sold at the Boyne City Farmers' Market: Artisans/crafters are persons who craft with their own hands the products they offer for sale. To qualify as an artisan/crafter (to be referred to by "crafter" henceforth) a majority of the tools and equipment used to produce the craft must require skills and personal handling of the materials.

Crafters selling at the Boyne City Farmers' Market will be chosen based on their unique and creative abilities. This aids in offering a well-balanced market to the community and does not inundate the market with one item that EVERYONE sells, but ensures that there is variety for all. The jury's decisions will be based on quality, uniqueness and quantity.

- 1) All crafts must be hand crafted by the vendor or a member of the vendor's farm or craft unit.
- 2) Crafts must be the product of a home or cottage-type industry using an intermediate type technology rather than an industrial production - in other words: each item is made by hand individually – not mass produced. To be considered "hand crafted", the item must show evidence of manual skills obtainable only through a significant period of experience and dedication. Examples of unacceptable items may be, but not limited to:
 - Tracings of paint by number, printed materials, ceramics or pottery from commercial (purchased) molds & patterns, embroidery or knitting machines, preprinted fabric craft panels, plans or pre-fabricated forms, wood carvings using duplicating machines, kits in any form.
- 3) Crafter must disclose any ready-made objects that they have enhanced
 - For example – tie-dyed t-shirts, towels, mass-produced vases, glasses, and the like that have been embellished, decorated or painted, beads and other jewelry parts that have been purchased and not hand produced.
- 4) All crafts must be of excellent workmanship and design.
- 5) No mechanical, optical, digital or electronic reproductions allowed.
 - Exceptions may be considered only IF the work is derived from the crafter's original work.
- 6) Photography will be permitted with the following conditions:
 - It must be original photography of the vendor,
 - "Limited edition reproduction" must be clearly displayed on the reproduced items.
 - Greeting cards, postcards and prints are allowed only with prior Jury approval and must be noted on the application.

- 7) **EXAMPLES OF CRAFTS THAT MAY NOT BE ACCEPTABLE ARE:**
- Products or pieces assembled from kits
 - Plastic beads or plastic canvas
 - Plastic and/or synthetic flowers
 - Any doll or doll components such as head, hands and/or feet that is not created by crafter
 - Manufactured or imported baskets
 - Excessive commercial lace on fabric items
 - Using hot glue as the primary method of attached parts
- 8) ALL crafts will be juried. Craft vendors who add a new category of crafts after jury selection will still have to have the new item juried. **EVERYTHING** that a vendor wants to sell **MUST** go through this process. Jury requires examples of each craft that they want to sell; high quality, recent photographs of the crafts and Craft Jury Description Forms must be submitted with the crafter's Vendor Application. The jury reserves the right to ask for the item to be brought in to be judged.
- 9) The Boyne City Farmer's Market Craft Jury will meet as necessary up to two times per month prior to the start of the market season (in March and April). Periodic jury selection for applications submitted during the season will be conducted on an as-needed basis.

Office Use Only Jury #
Juror Member Signature
Comments

Date Accepted / Rejected

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Craft Jury Description Form

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Jury Process

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY! (Feel free to make copies of this page as needed.)

All items that have not been juried and accepted by the Boyne City Farmer's Market Jury at least twice must be submitted for jury approval. New items from previously accepted vendors must be submitted and approved prior to display of those items at the Boyne City Farmer's Market.

Please submit a high quality, **RECENT** photograph of your work that is **representative of EACH item** that you intend to sell in the Boyne City Farmer's Market. Please be sure that each photo clearly shows your work individually i.e. no pictures of multiple items. You may include one example of booth setup *in addition* to photos of individual items. Photos need to be delivered with this form, plus a completed Boyne City Farmer's Market Vendor Application and Waiver & Release.

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Receipt of your application will be sent right away you will be notified regarding the jury's decision within one week of jury selection.

Product Description

Please carefully consider the information that you write and be sure to include all relevant details. Describe your craft and the process and materials used to create your work. During the jury process, in addition to your photos, what you write below will become all the information that the craft jurors will shave about your product. Your descriptions are an important aid in helping to evaluate your work.

Describe your craft _____

Describe the materials used to create your craft _____

Describe the process that you used to create your craft _____
