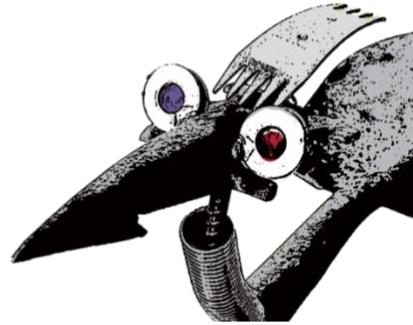


CLARK COUNTY
**Recycled
Arts
Festival**



2022 Recycled Arts Festival

Artist Agreement

Please read carefully, even if you are a returning artist, and keep this copy for your reference.

We look forward to welcoming you to the 2022 Recycled Arts Festival!

Saturday, June 25th 9am – 5pm

Sunday, June 26th 9am – 4pm

Esther Short Park, Vancouver, WA

Please read the terms and conditions set forth below, as your submitted application acknowledges your agreement to the following:

GENERAL FESTIVAL INFORMATION

The Recycled Arts Festival (RAF) started in 2005 to educate and excite the community about waste reduction, reuse and recycling in Clark County. It has grown into a huge family event celebrating various aspects of sustainability.

The Recycled Art Festival's mission is to educate and excite Clark County residents about waste reduction, reuse and recycling and to inspire them to see the things they may otherwise consider trash in a new, beautiful way. The Festival is able to succeed in its mission by bringing together highly talented artists who create amazing pieces of art by using a minimum of 75% recycled materials. Visitors to the Recycled Arts Festival are entertained, amazed and excited by the creativity that is on display; creativity that inspires people to think twice before tossing out unwanted items.

ITEMS OFFERED FOR SALE

The purpose of our festival is to showcase how quality items can be made from reclaimed, reused, repurposed, upcycled, salvaged and recycled materials. Therefore, **ONLY** items that are at least 75 percent recycled content are allowable for display and selling.

For our purposes, materials from nature such as rocks, sticks, leaves, bones and shells are not recycled. Items need to be handmade and not widely manufactured. This is a festival for small businesses and part-time hobbyists, not large companies. Only the artist(s) and artwork accepted into the festival should be in your booth. You may share a booth with another artist, but all artists displaying art must apply to the festival and be accepted. If we discover that you are bringing in art that we have not reviewed or does not belong to you, you may be asked to leave and will not be invited to participate in future festivals.

ARTIST STATEMENT and Why/How You Use Recycled Materials

Our event seeks to educate the public about waste reduction through recycled art. We provide artist signs for your booth so the public can see why and how you use recycled materials in your art. Please be sure to fill in this information for us on your application. We will reuse returning artist signs unless the name or art created changes. We will edit your statement down if you exceed the allowed length of 300 characters/spaces to fit it onto the sign. Because we reuse these signs, please do not write on them or alter them in any way. Artists will be charged to replace the altered sign. [Here is a sample artist sign.](#)

PHOTOS

All applications must include photographs of each type of your art that you expect to bring. We select artists based on the submitted photos. Photos need to be high quality and at least 300dpi. Submitted photos will be used for your artist profile on our website. All photos submitted with application, or photos taken by RAF staff and volunteers, may be used on the website, advertising materials, social media or any other promotion regardless of future participation in the event.

SPACE ASSIGNMENTS

We do not permanently assign spaces until the day before the festival. Once you arrive, staff will provide you with a packet of information and your booth location. Returning artists may request the same location as previous years, and new artists may request specific locations, but **we do not guarantee locations**. We will email you the set up details two weeks prior to the festival date. However, we will not inform you of your exact location until you arrive at the park to setup, so please do not contact us asking for your space number in advance. Please be advised your booth may be assigned to concrete, brick, grass or bark dust. Throughout the years trees in the park may be removed and replanted. We cannot guarantee booth placement for returning artists.

BOOTH INFORMATION

Booths will be offered in two sizes this year:

10x10, \$100

10x20, \$200

Booth size requests can be noted on the Art Vendor Application Form. Requests for sizes will be carefully considered, and every attempt to meet your request will be made. Availability of larger booth sizes will be limited. Depending on the number of requests for larger booths, it is possible we will have to prioritize assignment of larger booths to artists with larger pieces that require a larger booth to participate (sculpture artists for example).

Booth payment will be due one month after you have been notified of your acceptance to the festival. Failure to pay the booth on time will result in you forfeiting your placement in the festival and we will select a waitlist artist to your space.

Communication regarding acceptance to the festival will be conducted through email. Details regarding booth payment will also be communicated through email.

Submitting booth payment will commit you to attending the 2022 festival. If you must cancel your attendance to the festival after payment has been completed, refunds will not be issued (outside of extenuating circumstances). If for any reason the festival is cancelled, a full refund of booth payment will be provided to all artists.

SET UP

Set up will begin on Friday, June 24, 2022 from 1-6pm. If you prefer to wait until Saturday, set up will begin at 6am on Saturday and 7am on Sunday. More information about set up will be communicated closer to the festival date. Please remain on hard surfaces when driving to your space and do not drive on the grass. Please unload and move your vehicle out of the park before setting up your booth to make room for other traffic. All vehicles must be out of the park by 8am on both Saturday and Sunday. Event staff and volunteers will be available to help direct you to your space assignment. Vehicles will not be allowed into the park until after the event is closed. Please pack up your booth **BEFORE** bringing your vehicle in to load. Please do not block traffic waiting to enter the park until you are ready to load booth materials. You are responsible for bringing your own tent, table and chairs. Because of the in-ground sprinkler system, **stakes are not allowed in the grass. Please arrange for some alternative method for securing your tent/canopy** (such as water-filled milk jugs or sand bags). Your set up should be complete and ready by 8:30am. People do start going through the park early, especially in warm weather, and we have no way of keeping them out.

STAFFING

We do expect your help with educating the public about your *reduce, reuse and recycle* lifestyle in exchange for low-cost booth space. For this reason, we are requiring the artist to be present in the booth both days of the festival (in cases of a partnership or spouse team, where all parties actively participate in creating the artwork, only one need be present at a time) to provide this educational interaction with the public. **Your space must be staffed from 9am–5pm on Saturday, and 9am–4pm on Sunday.** Do not tear down your exhibit until the event closes at the end of each day. We will make every attempt to

provide you with a volunteer for short breaks during the day if requested on your application. If you anticipate needing assistance for breaks and you did not mark this on your application, please contact us to make arrangements. Please note that our staff and volunteers are not able to conduct any sales in your absence, and you will be asked to take all cash with you for the duration of your 15 minute staff/volunteer provided break. If you would like to request this break service, please note it on your application so we can plan accordingly.

This is a two-day event. Vendors who do not complete their obligation at the festival by participating for both full days will not be asked back to future events. This also applies to artists who do not show up for the weekend and do not let us know they aren't coming – they will be removed from the list for following years. Please treat all staff, volunteers and other vendors with respect. If you have any issues, please let us know right away so we can resolve the situation.

NON-PERMITTED ACTIVITIES

No hot works operations (glassblowing, etc.), cooking, heating, candles or open flames are permitted in the park (park regulations). No food or drink may be sold without meeting applicable codes and permits, including the requirements of the [Clark County Public Health](#) (564-397-8428). No overnight camping in the park. No picture taking/sketching of other artists' work without their express written permission. If you do not want your own work photographed, please post a notice stating "no photography without permission." This is a family festival. Please use appropriate language and refrain from the use of alcohol or drugs during the event. Any artwork/signage displayed in your booth must be appropriate for all age levels and in good taste. If we find that you have violated this rule, we reserve the right to remove inappropriate material and you may be asked to leave. We appreciate your help in maintaining our family-friendly event.

COVID CONCERNS

We are thrilled to be able to bring the festival back in 2022! Due to the COVID pandemic, the festival may look a little different this year. Our planning committee is staying vigilant and monitoring the continuously evolving community concerns regarding the virus.

We plan to accept artists this year in rounds. The first application review and selection will begin in January 2022. Artists accepted in the first round will be limited to the number of booths we can cautiously expect to be able to safely host for the 2022 festival. We are optimistic that as the COVID situation continues to improve throughout the winter and early spring months of 2022 that we will be able to complete additional application review rounds and accept additional artists as the pandemic permits. The last review of applications will be late April 2022, to provide selected artists with a minimum of two months' notice of acceptance to the festival.

We know this year's rounds of acceptance will be different than our standard system, however we hope that this system is fair to our artists, festival staff and attendees. Our

priority is planning a festival that will start small and then be responsibly expanded as we wait to see how our community cases respond to vaccination levels within our community. We appreciate your understanding and patience during the planning process this spring.