

Sherman Arts Festival 2009

Opportunities for Participation by Non-Profit Organizations

Sherman Arts Festival welcomes the participation of area clubs and organizations in the event, set for Saturday, September 19, 2009. Below are listed the ways in which these groups may participate. Please note that activities promoting political, religious or socially controversial beliefs and/or activities are prohibited. For more information, please contact Larry Wall, Festival Chair, 903 464 9480.

1. Welcoming festival visitors

Gatekeepers are needed for 4-hour shifts on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2009. They are stationed at each of five entry points to the festival grounds. A 10 x 10 tent, 8' table and two chairs are provided at each "gate". Approved clubs and/or non-profit organizations are asked to send a team of at least two volunteers per shift, to welcome festival visitors and hand out schedules of events. The volunteers may display posters or literature from their organization during their shift, and may have flyers, etc. to hand out if requested by the visitors.

To volunteer your organization as a gatekeeper, please contact Jerry White, at H-903-893 6415 or W- 903 813 4247.

2. Sales of fundraising merchandise

Non-profit organizations wishing to sell merchandise or ready-to-eat food for the purpose of fund raising should download a vendor application form for either art/craft/retail or food, (see Art/Craft/Retail or Festival Food sections on this website) as appropriate, and submit form and payment according to the application instructions. Please note that the committee reserves the right to accept or reject vendor-applicants based on appropriateness to event, non-duplication of merchandise, etc.

3. Giving away promotional items or offering free arts related activity

Non-profit organizations wishing to give away free festival-related items such as balloons, etc. or offering a free arts related activity such as make-and-take craft projects should download an art/craft/retail vendor application and submit, noting "No Charge" in the space for amount of vendor fee enclosed. With committee approval, an organization in this category may be granted one booth space. We do not accept either non-profit or commercial booths that want to give away general advertising materials, except in the case of major sponsors.

4. Sales of event tickets, opportunities on prizes, etc.

Non-profit organizations wishing to sell tickets to a future event, chances on a prize drawing or similar activity may set up a booth along Elm Street, in the street adjacent to the east curb, at no charge, by prior arrangement and festival committee approval. These booths must be set up by 8:30 a.m. and must remain in place until 5 p.m., the day of the festival. Contact Sue Malnory, 903 532 5429 to request street space.

5. Hosting a festival event

Non-profit organizations wishing to host an event such as a competition, activity or some form of entertainment should contact Sue Malnory. We welcome your ideas and energy!