

WV RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL

CRAFT APPLICATION INFORMATION

The festival is a recreation of a 16th century European marketplace and faire. The Renaissance was an era of renewed interest in art as well as science, literature and other cultural pursuits. Artistic development proceeded at a previously unknown rate and at an increasingly high level of quality. Festival participants strive to capture the spirit and pageantry of that time in dress, actions and display of the wares they personally handcraft.

In addition to crafts, the Festival offers entertainment, food and games. Visitors are able to observe artisans at work demonstrating their skills, and artisans as merchants selling their goods. Visitors are entertained with music, drama and dance on outdoor stages, nomadic street entertainment, unique foods, and intriguing games of skill.

Craft participants must provide a Renaissance-style display, using authentic materials on all exposed surfaces. Display props, signage, and a costume appropriate to the era and the artisan's station in life complete the visual image that contributes to the fantasy of stepping back in time. A craftsperson's actions and interactions with the public provide the final important key to success in the Festival. We offer resources to help with all aspects of the transition from ordinary citizen to "Citizen of the Realm."

CARTS: Carts are expected to be mobile, able to be moved by the participants listed on the Agreement. Cart spaces are not permanent locations and Festival may require a change of location at any time. A description and photo of the cart, display fixtures, type of sign, name used at Festival and method of displaying merchandise will be reviewed before final acceptance. A cart and merchandising space should occupy no more than an average 10' x 10' space.

TENTS: Tents are considered nonpermanent structures. They may be obtained anywhere but must follow the Renaissance theme in appearance. A description and photo of the tent, type of sign, name of shop and method of displaying merchandise will be reviewed before final acceptance. EZ up tents are NOT acceptable structures.

UNSTRUCTURED SPACE: An unstructured space implies that no structure will be used. A T-bar, a pole, or simple props are allowed. A drawing of how the space will be identified, the signage, and how the product or needed displays will be handled will be reviewed before final acceptance.

All craft participants are expected to present a Renaissance image. All structures, display methods and materials and costuming are expected to be in the Renaissance style. The makers of approved items are expected to be at the Festival for the run of the show, since they are the best representatives of their work. Manufactured products or handmade products purchased for resale may not be sold at the festival. Manufactured parts (buckles, trim, frames etc.) may make up no more than 20% of the finished product.

WEST VIRGINIA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL ARTISAN APPLICATION

FESTIVAL DATES WILL BE June 6,7,13,14,20, 21, 27, 28, 2026

ARTIST'S NAME: _____

BUSINESS

NAME: _____

PROPOSED SHOP NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ TEXT: _____

WEBSITE: _____

WV SALES TAX ID _____ NEED TO APPLY FOR WV SALES TAX ID? _____

APPLYING FOR TENT _____ CART _____ BOOTH SPACE _____ DIMENSIONS: _____

MEDIA: _____

NUMBER OF YEARS CRAFT WORK PART TIME INCOME _____ FULL TIME INCOME _____

FORMAL TRAINING (DEGREES, CERTIFICATES, APPRENTICESHIPS)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

PARTICIPATION IN PREVIOUS JURIED SHOWS, THEMED EVENTS, GALLERIES/MUSEUMS

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

PLEASE LIST ALL YOUR PRODUCTS THAT YOU WISH TO HAVE CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

10. _____

PLEASE ATTACH PHOTOS OF ALL ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION (EMAIL OR TEXT ACCEPTABLE MEANS OF SUBMISSION)

I CERTIFY THAT ALL ITEMS TO BE OFFERED FOR SALE AT THE WV RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL ARE ENTIRELY HANDCRAFTED BY THE APPLICANT, EXCEPT AS SPECIFICALLY NOTED:

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

RETURN TO WV RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL 23439 MIDLAND TRL E, LEWISBURG, WV 24901

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

All service to be offered at the WV Renaissance Festival must be provided solely by the applicant.

Please include service to be provided, media, materials used, techniques and price range.

Face and Body Painters: Please list brands of paints used. Include pics of designs.

Readers: please specify the type of reading to be offered (tarot, palm etc.) and the length and cost of the reading. Send a recording of a typical reading or make arrangements for a private reader's jury.

SERVICE: _____

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MEDIA: _____

PRICE RANGE: _____

MATERIALS USED: _____

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I certify that all services offered at the WV Renaissance Festival will be provided solely by me.

Sign _____ Date: _____

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PLEASE FILL OUT EITHER SERVICE OR PRODUCT APPLICATION AND RETURN TO info@wvrenfest.com OR

WV RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL

23439 MIDLAND TRAIL E

LEWISBURG, WV 24901

WITH ACCOMPANYING PHOTOS OF WORK TO BE CONSIDERED.

FEES FOR 2025 WILL BE \$400 FOR THE BOOTH FEE

\$300 FOR UTILITIES, IF APPROVED

\$95 FOR LIABILITY INSURANCE THROUGH OUR POLICY

PLEASE RETURN BY MARCH 30, 2026, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE 2026 SEASON.