

2023 Cooperstown Artisan Festival

Otsego County Campus 193 Main Street, Cooperstown

September 2nd 10:00am – 5:00pm (Rain or Shine)

September 3rd 10:00am – 4:00pm (Rain or Shine)



Cooperstown has a rich artistic history and was host to a wonderful Arts & Crafts show for nearly 50 years. The Cooperstown Chamber of Commerce is pleased to offer this opportunity once again, bringing the festival back to the downtown area for the 6th year. Over Labor Day Weekend, the lovely grounds of the Otsego County Campus will be transformed into an outdoor Artisan Festival. This festival will be held in conjunction with the annual Fine Arts on the Lawn at the Cooperstown Art Association. Main Street will come alive with a weekend full of arts and music. *This event is free and open to the public.*

Set Up & Parking

- All vendor booth spaces are pre-assigned. Standard spaces are 10x10. (Larger spaces available for an additional, pre-paid fee.) Vendors may not relocate from their assigned location.
- Upon arrival, please check in with event staff to help find your booth location.
- Exhibitors must be able to set up on grass lawn.
- Vendors are responsible for bringing all materials needed to set up their booth including tent, stakes, tables, chairs, rope, shelves, etc.
- Exhibitors will be responsible for transporting all display materials from vehicle to booth space. Bringing a dolly or a cart is highly recommended. All vendor spots will be accessible by sidewalk.
- Displays must be able to withstand crowds and inclement weather. Please remember the Cooperstown Artisan Festival is a rain or shine event.
- Vendors may begin setting up at 6:00am on Saturday, September 2nd.
- Vendors must be set up and ready for viewing by 9:45am on Saturday, September 2nd and Sunday, September 3rd.
- Vendors may not close their exhibit until 5:00pm on Saturday and may not begin break down of their display until 4:00pm on Sunday (except in the case of severe weather). Leaving early without permission from the Cooperstown Chamber of Commerce may make you ineligible for admission to exhibit at future events.
- Vendors are responsible for removing all belongings including boxes, trash, etc. by 7:00pm on Sunday and leaving the property, including the parking lot, as found.
- Electricity is very limited and will only be available to pre-approved vendors.
- leave cars in vendor parking overnight.
- Overnight security will be provided Saturday night through Sunday morning.

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Application Process

- All interested artists, crafters, and makers may apply to the Cooperstown Chamber of Commerce for admission as a vendor. Application forms for the Cooperstown Artisan Festival can be found online at cooperstownartisanfestival.info or by e-mail request at: office@cooperstownchamber.org
- Please include images of your work and images of past booth set-ups with the application.
- You will be notified by the Chamber upon acceptance. After acceptance, your booth fee is due and will secure your participation.
- If you need to cancel, the Chamber can issue a refund until July 29th only. Cancellations for any reason after that point will not be refunded.
- Booth placement requests will be honored as closely as possible on a first-come, first-served basis. We cannot guarantee your request.

Vendor Details

- All items sold vendor booths must be original work produced by the artist, crafter or maker, or an associate. If a vendor is found selling non-original items, they will be asked to leave without refund.
- Vendors must be 18 years of age (or older) or accompanied by an adult.
- Vendors shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws.
- Vendors are responsible for the collection of sales tax and must have a valid NYS Sales Tax Identification number and display a *Certificate of Authority* in their booth during the event.

Grounds Rules

- Please refrain from smoking within 100 feet of the Cooperstown Artisan Festival.
- Alcoholic beverages are not permitted on the grounds of the Otsego County Campus.
- The Cooperstown Chamber of Commerce, Village of Cooperstown, Otsego County Government, or hired security will not be held responsible for any injury or loss that may arise to vendor, goods, or property, no matter what the cause.
- The Cooperstown Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to change policies and procedures of this event at any time.

❖ ***Vendors in violation of the rules of the Cooperstown Artisan Festival may be asked to leave and may be ineligible for readmission to future events.***

The Cooperstown Chamber of Commerce thanks you for being part of the Cooperstown Artisan Festival. We are looking forward to a fabulous weekend and the continuance of a wonderful Labor Day Weekend tradition!

